

# *Board of Education*

## *Mesa County Valley School District 51*

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*Work Session*

*August 7, 2012*

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### **Work Session Notes**

A - Jeff Leany  
 B - Ann Tisue  
 C - Harry Butler  
 D - Leslie Kiesler  
 E - Greg Mikolai

**Board of Education**  
**Mesa County Valley School District 51**  
 Business Meeting Minutes: August 7, 2012  
 Adopted: September 18, 2012

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						<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Present	x	x	x	x	x	<b>WORK SESSION SUMMARY:</b>	Meeting
Absent						➤ Mr. Mikolai welcomed everyone to the August Board Work Session and called the meeting to order.	Convened: 6:00 p.m.
Excused						<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Governance Planning, Updates and Discussion           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Schultz discussed scheduling a Board Retreat. The Board scheduled Thursday, August 23, 2012, 5:00 p.m., at BTK, for a Board Retreat.</li> <li>➤ Bullying Policy Questions               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs. Cathy Haller reported on the proposed revised bullying policy. She reported the School Equity Advisory Committee (SEAC) focused work on creating state and local attention on bullying in schools. Mrs. Haller reported there are training videos available through the District Intranet which include a signature page for verification of viewing. Policy updates include rules and regulations from the state, as well as, adapting to best practices.</li> <li>• The Board and Mr. Schultz thanked Mrs. Haller for the information.</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ 2012-2013 Board Of Education Committees and Assignments               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Schultz distributed the current Board of Education Committee and Assignment list. The Board viewed the current list and stated it is accurate and does not need to be updated or changed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ Planning Calendar               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Schultz distributed the Board's Planning Calendar. He reported this planning calendar is a working template. Discussion took place regarding events on the calendar. Mr. Schultz stated if the Board would like something added or deleted from the calendar; or an item added to one of the future Board Agenda's, please let Mrs. Wells know and she will add it to the appropriate document. Discussion took place regarding the location for future Board Meetings. The Board consensus was to have Board Meetings at the Basil T. Knight Center.</li> <li>• Mr. Schultz discussed a District Community Meeting to be held at the Fruita Community Center on Wednesday, September 26, at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Schultz reminded Board members of their desire to meet with community members four times during the year for open discussion. The meeting on September 26 will be the first of the four Community Meetings.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Reorganization           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Schultz outlined for the Board the new District administrative structure. Mr. Schultz explained the need for realignment. He stated the continuing focus will be to support all schools.</li> <li>➤ Mr. Schultz reported Transitional Colorado Assessment Program (TCAP) results will be available on Wednesday, August 8. Mr. Schultz stated information will be provided to the Board as soon as possible.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Schultz outlined how communication regarding the District reorganization will be done. Principals were notified of the changes at the Principal's Academy held on August 6 and 7. Teachers will be notified during their professional development training the week of August 13. A written communication will be sent out to all staff in the near future.</li> <li>➤ Mr. Schultz reported administrative responsibilities were reorganized without adding new positions. Mr. Schultz stated Mrs. Susana Wittrock, Executive Director of Equity and Minority Student Performance, has accepted a different position within the District. The position of Executive Director of Equity and Minority Student Performance will be replaced as soon as possible.</li> </ul> <p>3. SB191 Implementation Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. Schultz reported attending a conference in July, which had a staff development strand regarding SB191. The SB191 work group also attended the training. A Race to the Top Grant was awarded to the District to help pay for the SB191 staff development. Dr. Jody Mimmack, Executive Director of Academic Achievement and Growth, outlined the progress on the SB191 implementation plan. She shared the four-year plan, which included a communication plan. Regular progress updates will be given to the Board.</li> <li>➤ The executive directors will be working with principals to bring them along with the deployment of SB191. Discussion regarding assessments, rubrics and tackling mandates took place.</li> </ul> <p>4. Clinic Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mrs. Melissa Callahan deVita, Chief Operations Officer, and Mrs. Sheila Naski, Risk Management, thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak with them. They discussed the Health Plan Update. Discussion took place regarding financials, claims analysis, clinic arrangement and services, clinic purpose and clinic usage.</li> <li>➤ The Board and Mr. Schultz thanked Mrs. deVita and Mrs. Naski for the update.</li> </ul>	
						<u>BUSINESS MEETING</u>	7:49 p.m.
Present	x	x	x	x	x	A. Call to Order/Roll Call	
Absent							
Excused							
Motion			x			B. District School Board Approval of Proposed Educator Exchange.	Adopted
Second				x		➤ Mrs. Theresa Drewer, Nisley Teacher, petitioned the Board of Mesa County School District 51 to approve a proposed educator exchange between Mrs. Theresa Drewer and Ms. Candice Huntly, educator at Karumburra Primary School in Karumburra, Victoria, Australia. The exchange will be for the calendar year 2013. Discussion took place regarding the specifics of the exchange.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							

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Motion Second Aye No	x x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	C. Personnel Actions ➤ C-1. Licensed Personnel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board approved the Licensed Personnel Action, Central Office Administrative Assignments Action and the Building Administrative Assignment Updated Action.</li> <li>• Mr. Schultz introduced Mr. Yogi Cherp, Principal at Gateway School, and Ms. Monica Heptner, Principal at Dual Immersion Academy.</li> </ul>	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	D. Executive Session: 8:10 p.m. ➤ <u>Property: C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4) a.</u> To discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interest under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a). ➤ Present: Mr. Butler, Mrs. Kiesler, Mr. Leany, Mr. Mikolai, Mrs. Tisue ➤ Mr. Schultz, Mrs. Callahan-deVita  ➤ Return to Open Meeting: 8:38 p.m.	Moved to Executive Session  Convened: 8:15 p.m.
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x		Return to Open Meeting
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	E. Adjournment: 8:38 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned
_____ Terri N. Wells, Secretary Board of Education							



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 Barb Wolma  
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 Littleton, CO 80123

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## District School Board Approval of a Proposed Educator Exchange

The following people petition the school board of the Mesa County School District #51 to approve a proposed educator exchange between Theresa Drewer, educator at Nisley Elementary School in Mesa County School #51 and Candice Huntly educator at Karumburra Primary School in Karumburra, Victoria, Australia. This exchange will be for the calendar year 2013. Beginning and ending dates for the exchange are based on the Australian/New Zealand school year (approximately January through December). Actual beginning and ending dates will be determined by the exchanging teachers and schools.

Theresa Drewer  
 Theresa Drewer, Exchange Applicant

Mrs. Curry Newton  
 Mrs. Curry Newton, Principal, Nisley Elementary School

Steve W. Schultz  
 Dr. Steve Schultz, Superintendent of Mesa County School District #51

At its regular held meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, the School Board of Mesa County School District #51 approved the proposed educator exchange between Theresa and Candice Huntly for the calendar year 2013.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 President of the Mesa County School District #51 Board of Education

**Return signed form with original signatures to:**  
 Barb Wolma, ANZEE Coordinator and Exchange Officer  
 Australia/New Zealand Educator Exchange Program  
 (ANZEE)  
 9183 West Prentice Avenue  
 Littleton, CO 80123  
 USA

ANZEE Form Number  
 2013-1001

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**Certified Administrator Assignment**

**Yogi Cherp**  
**Gateway School Principal**

**Education:**

M.A. University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colorado (2007)  
Educational Leadership

B.A. Walsh University, Canton, Ohio (1992)  
English

**Experience (Administrative):**

2010-2012 East Middle School, Grand Junction, Colorado  
Assistant Principal

2007-2010 Paonia Junior-Senior High School, Paonia, Colorado  
Assistant Principal

1994-1999 Colorado Northwestern Community College, Rangely, CO  
Director of Student Life

**Experience (Teaching):**

2002-2010 Paonia Junior-Senior High School, Paonia, Colorado  
Special Education Teacher

**Certified Administrator Assignment**

**Monica Heptner**  
**Dual Immersion Academy Principal**

**Education:**

Endorsement Education Leadership K-12, Mesa State College (2009)

M.A. Mesa State College, Grand Junction, Colorado (2008)  
Education, English as a Second Language K-12

B.A. University of Montana, Missoula, Montana (1984)  
Education, Elementary Education K- 8

**Experience (Administrative):**

2011-2012 ESL Department, Grand Junction, Colorado  
ELL Coach K-12

1999-2003 Caribbean College, Limon, Costa Rica  
Bilingual English Coordinator PreKinder - 6<sup>th</sup>

**Experience (Teaching):**

2010-2011 Bookcliff Middle School - DIA, Grand Junction, Colorado  
DIA Coordinator 6-8 Grade

2008-2011 Bookcliff Middle School - DIA, Grand Junction, Colorado  
Math/Science Spanish Dominate Teacher

2005-2008 Dual Immersion Academy, Grand Junction, Colorado  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Spanish Dominate Teacher

2004-2005 Dual Immersion Academy, Grand Junction, Colorado  
Kindergarten Spanish Dominate Teacher

1999-2003 Caribbean College, Limon, Costa Rica  
Bilingual English Teacher 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

1993-1998 Centro Educativo Maria Inmaculada, Limon, Costa Rica  
English as a World Language Teacher K-8

1986-1992 Limon School, Limon Costa Rica  
Bilingual English Teacher K-8

**Central Office Administrative Assignments  
2012-2013 School Year**

**Name**

**Assignment**

**Instructional**

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Andrew Laase	Executive Director of Academic Achievement and Growth (Elementary)
Jody Mimmack	Executive Director of Academic Achievement and Growth (Curriculum)
Lesley Rose	Director of Priority Schools
Mary Jones	Executive Director of Academic Achievement and Growth (Secondary)
Tanya Skalecki	Executive Director of Student Services
William Larsen	Chief Academic Officer

**Support**

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Colleen Martin	Executive Director of Human Resources
Melissa Callahan deVita	Chief Operations Officer
Odus Harwood	Executive Director of Technology



