

Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51

Board Work Session

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Present Absent Excused	x x x	x x x	x x x	x x x	x x x	<p><u>WORK SESSION SUMMARY:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Mikolai welcomed everyone to the October Board Work Session and called the meeting to order. [Mr. Leany arrived at 6:03 p.m.] <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Science Kit Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Schultz introduced Dr. Jody Mimmack, Executive Director of Academic Achievement and Growth. Dr. Mimmack introduced Mr. Eric Rinaldo, Math and Science Center and Mrs. Kim Smith, District 51 Instructional Support Team. Mrs. Smith outlined the history behind the Science Kit Project. Mr. Rinaldo reviewed the curriculum and products contained in the Science Kits. Mr. Rinaldo and Mrs. Smith praised the partnership with the District and the Math and Science Center. The Science Kits were developed in conjunction and alignment with the new Colorado Academics Standards. The check-out process for Science Kits was outlined. There was an open invitation extended to the Board to visit the Math and Science Center. ➤ The Superintendent and Board thanked everyone for the information which was shared. 2. Enrollment Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mrs. Melissa Callahan deVita, Chief Operations Officer, reported information on the District's current enrollment, the state of the budget and the September State Budget Forecast. The District budget anticipated 2012-2013 school enrollment to be down 250 students from 2011-2012. The official October count will not be available until the first part of November. Initial projections show a decline of 290 students without including Mesa Valley Vision School, Independence Academy, Glade Park Community School and Grand River Virtual Academy. The 2012-2013 per pupil funding is basically the same as the District's funding in 2011-2012. ➤ The District will do a budget readoption, which must be completed by January, 2013. The District will average enrollment counts for the past two to five years, allowing the impact on the adopted budget to be reduced. Mrs. Callahan deVita explained how averaging enrollment takes place. ➤ The September forecast for 2012-2013 from the Joint Budget Committee and Office of State Planning and Budgeting anticipate state revenue to be higher than projected in the June forecast. Currently, they are anticipating being able to fund state-wide student growth and inflation for the 2013-2014 school year. The Governor's budget for the 2013-2014 fiscal year is due in November and will provide the first view of potential school financing. 3. Long Term Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Schultz distributed the most current draft of the Long Term Plan and provided a slide from the Colorado Department of Education focusing on four main areas of emphasis for legislative mandates. Senate Bill 1238 (Read Act) was distributed and will be replacing the Colorado Literacy Act. Board discussion took place regarding area of responsibility, mapping to be done and the timeline and annual review process. The strategies will direct and inform committee work on the 	Meeting Convened: 6:00 p.m.

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						<p>document as it is continued. There will be a preliminary document which could be adopted at the next Board Meeting so work may begin on the Strategic Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Schultz emphasized this is a five year plan and work will be adjusted along the way as the need presents itself. ➤ Mr. Mikolai recommended having a Board Retreat beginning at 5:00 p.m., before the Board Business Meeting on October 16. Discussion and fine tuning would take place at this time. All Board members agreed to meet. <p>[Mr. Mikolai called for a recess at 7:05 p.m. The meeting resumed at 7:09 p.m.]</p> <p>4. Board Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mrs. Tisue reported on Junior Achievement. Junior Achievement is looking for a new local coordinator. Mrs. Tisue stated the marijuana booklets have been delivered to the District. The Board letter, to be mailed with the booklets, is being finalized. The letter and booklets will be distributed to all middle and high school families. ➤ Mr. Butler reported attending a Parks Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB) Meeting. ➤ Mr. Mikolai reported the Sheriff's Office received a grant allowing them to hire three positions for School Resource Officers. He thanked the Sheriff's Department for the much needed support. <p>5. Adjournment: 7:35 p.m.</p>	<p>Meeting Adjourned</p>