

Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51

Board Business Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2015

Business Meeting Minutes

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Adopted: February 17, 2015

	A	B	C	D	E		ACTION
						AGENDA ITEMS	
Present	x	x	x	x	x	A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL	6:00 p.m.
Absent						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Mikolai welcomed attendees to the January Board Business Meeting and gave instructions for meeting participants to address the Board, <i>under Item G, Audience Comments.</i> 	
Motion						B. AGENDA APPROVAL	Adopted
Second	x			x			
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
Motion		x				C. MEETING MINUTES AND SUMMARY APPROVAL	Tabled
Second	x					C-1. December 16, 2014, Board Work Session Minutes	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mrs. Tisue asked to table the minutes to allow time to clarify some information in the minutes and then bring them to the February Board Business Meeting for Approval. 	
No							
						D. RECOGNITIONS	
						D-1. School Board Appreciation Month [Resolution 14/15: 48]	
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In honor of School Board Recognition Month, Mr. Schultz read a resolution stating school Board members are elected volunteer officials who are entrusted with the guardianship and wise expenditure of scarce tax dollars, provide leadership, which ensures a clear and shared vision of public education for all schools, sets high standards for the education of all students, adopt policies to give voice to the leadership and employ a superintendent to administer Board policy. The Board of Education deserve recognition and thanks for their countless hours of volunteer service to public education and the children of the State of Colorado. Mr. Schultz presented the Board with plaques of appreciation. 	
						E. BOARD REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS/REQUESTS	
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mrs. Tisue reported visiting Grand River Virtual Academy (GRVA) to review the Unified Improvement Plan for the District Accountability Committee. She thanked the teachers of GRVA for their dedication to the students who attend the school. She reported there are several children who have severe health issues and she stated this school helps them stay current with their studies. Mrs. Tisue stated GRVA serves students who may not be able to be successful in another school setting. ➤ Mr. Schultz stated he had sent a link to the Board to review regarding legislation which is taking place. Mr. Schultz is encouraged there may be some substantive action. ➤ Mr. Williams reported visiting Grand River Virtual Academy and talking with dedicated instructors supporting students and their successes. He would like to continue looking for a new building for GRVA to move into. ➤ Mr. Leany visited Mr. Trujillo at R-5 High School and discussed the challenges R-5 students are facing. 	

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						<p>F. LEGISLATIVE REPORTS Mr. Parrish reported on a recent vote by the State Board of Education to waive state mandated assessments. He shared a list of school bills and stated he would continue to monitor their progress.</p> <p>G. AUDIENCE COMMENTS ➤ Mr. Mikolai read guidelines for meeting attendees to address the Board. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Sue Kupelian, 623 Chaco Court, Grand Junction, CO 81507 Mrs. Kupelian thanked the Board for the resolution opting out of assessments. She discussed Advanced Placement History, Civics and U.S. History classes and she feels the flow of history is not being taught correctly. She asked the Board to address these concerns and teach history in the factual manner it occurred. The Board and Superintendent thanked Ms. Kupelian for her comments. </p> <p>H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT H-1. Hiring Summary 2014-2015 ➤ Mrs. Collen Martin, Executive Director of Human Resources, Mrs. Cindy Starr, Certified Applicant Specialist and Mrs. Andrea Santo, Classified Applicant Specialist, presented an overview of the hiring summary highlights for the 2014-2015 school year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There are 2675 District employees and 600 substitutes ○ Discussion took place regarding AppliTrack, a new applicant system, and discussed social media being used to reach prospective employees ○ Applicant pools included 1,382 licensed personnel and 1,333 classified applicants. ○ There were results shared regarding recruiting fairs, Colorado Association of School Personnel Administrators (CASPA) – 1 hired, UNC – 4 hired, CMU – 16 hired. Attending regional recruiting fairs was discussed. ○ Discussed reasons for vacancies ○ Reported fifty candidates declined positions due to various factors. ➤ The Board and Superintendent thanked everyone for their reporting.</p> <p>H-2. Business/Investment Reports ➤ Mr. Phil Onofrio, Chief Financial Officer and Mrs. Vi Crawford, Budget Director, presented the budget for re-adoption. They reported changes in the student count is the main reason to re-adopt the budget. Discussion took place regarding moving toward a full-day kindergarten and having the space available to accommodate the change.</p> <p>[Mr. Mikolai called for a break at 7:23 p.m. Meeting resumed at 7:30 p.m.]</p> <p>H-3. Expulsion Report ➤ Mr. Schultz noted expulsions are down from the previous year. He reported the Drug Threat and Oversight Committee are doing a campaign discussing</p>	

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						<p>the effects of marijuana on the adolescent brain. Discussion took place regarding the new Pathways program. This is a grant funded program for first time offenders of drugs or alcohol. It employs a licensed substance abuse counselor. The initial results seem to be positive. Mr. Schultz also reported working with Chad Williams who is working with two groups of students on marijuana education. Mr. Leany thanked Mr. Schultz for helping organize the Drug Threat and Oversight Committee.</p> <p>I. EXECUTIVE SESSION ➤ None at this time.</p> <p>J. CONSENT AGENDA [Resolutions 14/15: 49, 49, 46] J-1. Personnel Actions J-1-a. Licensed Personnel J-2. Gifts J-3. Grants</p> <p>K. BUSINESS ITEMS K-1. Resolution for HVAC Replacement at Mesa View Elementary School [Resolution: 14/15: 27] ➤ Mr. Eric Nilsen, Director of Maintenance and Building Use, reported this is the last school in District 51 to replace swamp coolers with HVAC.</p> <p>K-2. Proposed Budget Readoption [Resolutions 14/15: 51, 52, 53, 54, 55] ➤ Mr. Onofrio and Mrs. Crawford were available for questions.</p> <p>L. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION ➤ Mr. Mikolai thanked Mesa Valley Education Association and Mr. Leany for the dinner. ➤ Mr. Leany discussed visiting R-5 high school. He believes the school is moving in the right direction for last effort students.</p> <p>M. FUTURE MEETINGS ➤ Reviewed.</p> <p>N. EXECUTIVE SESSION ➤ None at this time.</p> <p>O. ADJOURNMENT</p>	
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x		Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x		
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x		
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x		
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x		Adjourn – 7:45 p.m.
						<p style="text-align: right;">_____ Terri Wells, Secretary Board of Education</p>	

WHEREAS, School board members are elected to sit in trust for their diverse communities, and in that capacity are charged with meeting the community's expectations and aspirations for the public education of their children; and

WHEREAS, School board members are entrusted with the guardianship and wise expenditure of scarce tax dollars, and they are responsible for maintaining and preserving the buildings, grounds and other areas of the school district that the community has put in their trust; and

WHEREAS, School board members are responsible for providing leadership that ensures a clear, shared vision of public education for their schools, that sets high standards for the education of all students, and requires the effective and efficient operation of their districts; and

WHEREAS, School board members adopt policies to give voice to that leadership and employ a superintendent to administer board policy, and are also responsible for the regular monitoring of the district's performance and compliance with policies; and

WHEREAS, the men and women elected to school board positions deserve recognition and thanks for their countless hours of volunteer service to public education and the children of our state,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Steve Schultz, Superintendent, on behalf of the staff and students of Mesa County, do hereby declare our appreciation to the members of the Mesa County Valley School District 51 School Board and proclaim the month of January, 2015, as School Board Recognition Month. I urge everyone to join me in recognizing the dedication and hard work of our local school board members.

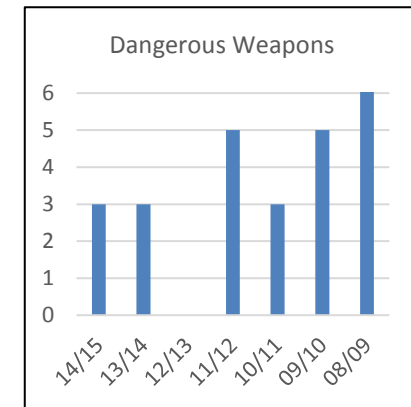
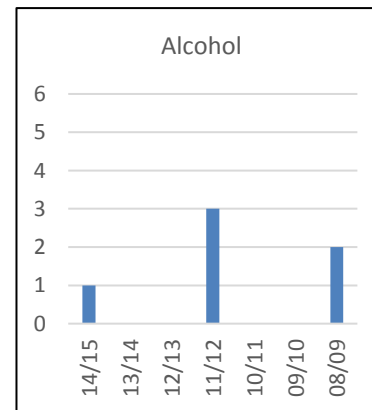
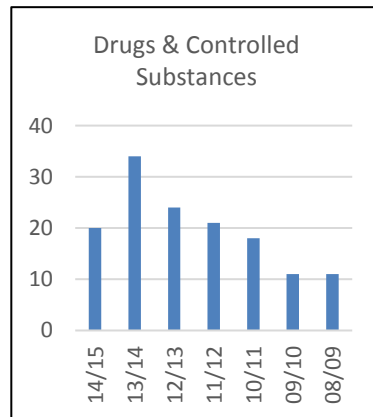
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Category	High School				Middle School				Elementary School				Total		Total for previous years as of September 31st of:				
	14/15		13/14		14/15		13/14		14/15		13/14		14/15	13/14	12/13	11/12	10/11	09/10	08/09
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F							
100	14	5	23	7	1		1	3					20	34	24	21	18	11	11
200	1												1			3			2
300													0						
400	1												1		2		1		
500	3		2				1						3	3		5	3	5	8
600													0						
700													0		2	2			2
DSP													0						2
VOO	5		7				2						5		4	4	5	5	9
Total	24	5	32	7	1	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	30	46	32	35	27	21	34

Category Description

- 100 - drug or controlled substance
- 200 - alcohol
- 300 - tobacco
- 400 - felony assault
- 500 - dangerous weapons
- 600 - robbery
- 700 - other felonies
- DSP - destruction / defacement of school property
- V00 - other violations



Board of Education Resolution: 14/15: 49

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Name	School/Assignment	Effective Date
Retirements		
None at this time.		
Resignations/Termination		
Wolfram, Karen	Fruitvale/Counselor	January 31, 2015
Vargas-Schuett, Gloria	Scenic/Physical Education	January 6, 2015
Leave of Absence		
Henson, Traci	Nisley/4 th Grade	August 19, 2014
New Assignments		
Eller, Sarah	Fruitvale/SPED Moderate Needs	January 12, 2015
Gregorich, Michael	R5/Science	December 15, 2014
Pollard, Brandon	BMS/Interventionist	January 5, 2015

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Board of Education Resolution: 14/15: 56

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Donor	Native Navigation
Gift	Cash
Value	\$200.00
School/Department	Wingate Elementary / Science kits

Donor	Daniel and Lucinda Barry
Gift	Cash
Value	\$200.00
School/Department	West Middle School / Special education

Donor	Sorter Construction
Gift	Cash
Value	\$1,000.00
School/Department	Grand Junction High School / Adaptive PE Mile Club Program

Donor	Advocacy Resource Coalition For People with Developmental Disabilities of Mesa County
Gift	Cash
Value	\$750.00
School/Department	West Middle School / Special projects and events

Donor	Grand Dental
Gift	Cash
Value	\$200.00
School/Department	Clifton Elementary / Student Support Center

Donor	Victory Life Church
Gift	Cash
Value	\$850.00
School/Department	Clifton Elementary / Student Support Center

Donor	Clifton Vineyard Church
Gift	Cash
Value	\$350.00
School/Department	Clifton Elementary / Student Support Center

Donor	TJ and Tammara Dickerson
Gift	Cash
Value	\$250.00
School/Department	Clifton Elementary / Student Support Center

Donor	Community Hospital Foundation
Gift	Funds to purchase a shed

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Value	\$800.00
School/Department	Clifton Elementary / Music Department

Donor	Lion's Club
Gift	Funds to purchase a shed
Value	\$485.00
School/Department	Clifton Elementary / Music Department

Donor	Darryl and Cecile Aday
Gift	Cash
Value	\$100.00
School/Department	Palisade High School / Choir

Donor	David Miller and Anne Wenzel
Gift	Cash
Value	\$100.00
School/Department	Palisade High School / Theatre Department

Donor	David Miller
Gift	Cash
Value	\$25.00
School/Department	Palisade High School / Choir

Donor	Keith and MJ Estridge
Gift	Cash
Value	\$100.00
School/Department	Palisade High School / Choir

Donor	Western Rockies Federal Credit Union
Gift	100 practice checkbooks
Value	\$200.00
School/Department	Palisade High School / Personal Finance classes

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education, in accepting the donations listed above, extends their appreciation and acknowledges these important partnerships within the community which support learning for all students.

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Grant Title	Farm to School Expansion
Source	National Farm to School Network
Fund Number	22-0060
Site	Nutrition Services
Description	Research and development to increase local sourcing of Farm to School produce in the district and program expansion
Budget Amount	\$1,000.00
Fiscal Year	06/30/2015
Authorized Representative	Dan Sharp

Grant Title	Salad Bar Grant
Source	Western Colorado Community Foundation – Dorothy Ross Fund
Fund Number	22-0009
Site	Nutrition Services
Description	Purchase Salad Bars at Rocky Mountain and Dos Rios Elementary Schools
Budget Amount	\$10,000.00
Fiscal Year	06/30/2015
Authorized Representative	Dan Sharp

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 Board of Education approved the above identified grant funds for expenditure purposes.

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**Approval of Construction Contractor Agreement
For Full HVAC Replacement at
Mesa View Elementary School**

Board of Education Resolution: 14/15: 47

Adopted: January 20, 2015

WHEREAS, in response to an invitation to bid, Falcon Plumbing & Heating of Colorado, Inc., submitted a sealed proposal for the contract for construction of:

Project No. 1415/036
Full HVAC Replacement at
Mesa View Elementary
2967 B Road
Grand Junction, CO 81503

In the amount of One Million Ninety Thousand Dollars and 00/100 \$1,090,000.00) which proposal was accepted by the School District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the contract, substantial completion of the project is to be achieved by July 24, 2015; and

WHEREAS, upon such acceptance, the said contractor submitted to the School District a construction contract for the said project, the same being acceptable to the School District; and

WHEREAS, Colorado law requires that a good and sufficient Labor, Material and Performance Bond be posted on public works construction projects in excess of \$50,000 before any work may proceed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the said construction contract and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the same on its behalf and further approves the Labor, Material and Performance Bond, copies of which bonds shall be affixed hereto.

I hereby certify that the information contained in the above resolution is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education on January 20, 2015.

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Secretary, Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51
2014-2015 Budget Re-Adoption

Board of Education Resolution 14/15: 51

Adopted: January 20, 2015

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has published January 20, 2015, as the date of re-adoption for the 2014-2015 budgets for Mesa County Valley School District 51; and

WHEREAS, the Board may re-adopt the budgets at any regular or special meeting on or before January 31, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Mesa County Valley School District 51 does hereby adopt the budgets and reserve all ending balances, as presented, and authorize the following fund amounts to be appropriated as specified in the adopted budgets for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015.

FUND	ORIGINAL	RE-ADOPTED	EXPLANATION
Governmental Funds			
General Fund (10)	\$170,798,620	\$171,206,193	Fund Balance Adjustment Pupil Count Adjustment
Colorado Preschool Program (19)	\$2,257,994	\$3,149,490	Fund Balance Adjustment Pupil Count Adjustment
Juniper Ridge Charter School (11)	\$1,398,649	\$1,534,344	Pupil Count Adjustment
Independence Academy Charter School (11)	\$4,376,099	\$3,786,575	Fund Balance Adjustment Pupil Count Adjustment
Mesa Valley Community School	\$2,745,201	\$2,433,292	Fund Balance Adjustment Pupil Count Adjustment
Special Revenue Funds			
Nutrition Services (21)	\$6,333,430	\$6,279,386	Fund Balance Adjustment
Physical Activities (23)	\$772,587	\$792,986	Fund Balance Adjustment
Beverage (27)	\$208,471	\$213,313	Fund Balance Adjustment
Governmental Designated Purpose Grants (22 & Sub-funds 70-99)	\$18,215,597	\$20,722,688	Increase of Expected Grants
Career Center Grant (26)	\$313,412	\$314,273	Fund Balance Adjustment
Other Local Projects/Grants (28)	\$131,395	\$117,163	Fund Balance Adjustment
Debt Service Fund			
Bond Redemption (31)	\$22,291,188	\$21,961,398	Fund Balance Adjustment Assessed Value Adjustment
Capital Project Fund			
Capital Projects Fund (43)	\$13,361,120	\$14,950,225	Fund Balance Adjustment
Internal Service Fund			
Insurance (64)	\$3,460,234	\$3,102,892	Fund Balance Adjustment
Dental Insurance (63)	\$2,107,084	\$1,995,288	Fund Balance Adjustment
Medical Insurance (62)	\$15,672,927	\$15,204,773	Fund Balance Adjustment
Trust and Agency Fund			
Student Body Activity Funds	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	

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Mesa County Valley School District 51
Appropriation Calculation by Fund

Board of Education Resolution 14/15: 52

Adopted: January 20, 2015

APPROPRIATION CALCULATION BY FUND

Re-Adopted: January 20, 2015

<i>FUND</i>	<i>REVENUE</i>	<i>BEGINNING BUDGETARY BALANCE</i>	<i>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</i>
Governmental Funds			
General Fund (10)	\$162,280,386	\$8,925,807	\$171,206,193
Colorado Preschool Program (19)	\$2,815,821	\$333,669	\$3,149,490
Juniper Ridge Charter School (11)	\$1,402,789	\$131,555	\$1,534,344
Independence Academy Charter School (11)	\$2,373,492	\$1,413,083	\$3,786,575
Mesa Valley Community School (11)	\$2,433,292	\$0	\$2,433,292
Special Revenue Funds			
Nutrition Services (21)	\$5,810,746	\$468,640	\$6,279,386
Physical Activities (23)	\$618,190	\$174,796	\$792,986
Beverage (27)	\$59,308	\$154,005	\$213,313
Governmental Designated Purpose Grants (22 & Sub-funds 70-99)	\$20,722,688	\$0	\$20,722,688
Career Center Grant (26)	\$234,500	\$79,773	\$314,273
Other Local Projects/Grants (28)	\$61,025	\$56,138	\$117,163
Debt Service Fund			
Bond Redemption (31)	\$11,134,531	\$10,826,867	\$21,961,398
Capital Project Fund			
Capital Projects Fund (43)	\$2,901,173	\$12,049,052	\$14,950,225
Internal Service Fund			
Insurance (64)	\$1,560,000	\$1,542,892	\$3,102,892
Dental Insurance (63)	\$1,387,281	\$608,007	\$1,995,288
Medical Insurance (62)	\$13,784,000	\$1,420,773	\$15,204,773
Trust and Agency Fund			
Student Body Activity Funds	\$6,000,000	\$0	\$6,000,000

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 Secretary, Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51
Use of Beginning Fund Balance

Board of Education Resolution: 14/15: 53

Adopted: January 20, 2015

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 03-149 created a new subsection in C.R.S. 22-44-105 1B (1.5) (a) that states:

"A budget adopted pursuant to this article shall not provide for expenditures, interfund transfers, or reserves, in excess of available revenues and beginning fund balances. If the budget includes the use of a beginning fund balance, the school district board of education shall adopt a resolution specifically authorizing the use of a portion of the beginning fund balance in the school district's budget. The resolution, at a minimum shall specify the amount of the beginning fund balance to be spent under the school district budget, state the purpose for which the expenditure is needed, and state the school district's plan to ensure that the use of the beginning fund balance will not lead to an ongoing deficit." and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has set January 20, 2015, as the date of re-adoption for the 2014-2015 budgets for Mesa County Valley School District 51; and

WHEREAS, the Board may adopt the budgets at any regular or special meeting on or before, January 31, 2015;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Mesa County Valley School District 51 does hereby approve the usage of the beginning fund balances as specified in the plan below for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2015.

FUND	PAGE #	AMOUNT OF BEGINNING FUND BALANCE TO BE SPENT	PURPOSE FOR EXPENDITURE	PLAN
General		\$342,775	Instructional Programs	Will monitor and make adjustments
Nutrition Services		\$140,736	Additional Projects	Will monitor and make adjustments
Physical Activities		\$21,000	Cost of Playoffs	Will monitor and make adjustments
Capital Projects		\$2,189,435	Additional Projects	Monitor and make adjustments
Insurance Reserve		\$900,697	Premiums/Claims	Monitor and make adjustments
Medical Insurance		\$72,426	Cost of Claims	Monitor and make adjustments

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Mesa County Valley School District 51
Borrow Unencumbered Money from Other District Funds

Board of Education Resolution 14/14: 54

Adopted: January 20, 2015

WHEREAS, C.R.S.22-44-113 authorizes the borrowing of unencumbered monies from any one fund, except the Bond Redemption Fund; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet ongoing obligations of an current fund it may be necessary to borrow up to \$5,000,000, and

WHEREAS, estimated unencumbered monies not to exceed \$5,000,000 may exist in any of the district funds, except the Bond Redemption Fund, during FY 2014-15,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the borrowing of up to \$5,000,000 from unencumbered monies from any district fund except Bond Redemption Fund, for the benefit of any other fund effective July 1, 2014, such monies to be repaid to said funds not later than June 30, 2015.

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Mesa County Valley School District 51
Bond Interest Transfer

Board of Education Resolution 14/15: 55

Adopted: January 20, 2015

WHEREAS, C.R.S. 22-45-103 (1)(b)(v) allows for withdrawal of funds not needed to satisfy the school districts obligation, for purposes of depositing or investing the money as permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, interest earned in the Bond Redemption Fund can be transferred to the General Fund, if approved by resolution;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Mesa County Valley School District 51 does hereby approve the transfer of interest earned in the Bond Redemption Fund to the General Fund.

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