

DOLORES SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-4A
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 14th, 2016
BOARD MEETING

Policy Meeting
Professional Development Room

January 14th, 2016
5:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER - The Dolores School Board meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. on January 14th, 2016.
- II. ROLL CALL - Members present were: Vangi McCoy, Joye McHenry, Dee Prock, Deanna Truelsen, and Linnea Vass. Scott Cooper, Superintendent, Jimmie Lankford, MS/HS Assistant Principal, Gary Livick, Elementary Principal, and Doreen Jones, Finance Director were also in attendance.
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
A motion was made by Vangi McCoy and seconded by Joye McHenry to approve the agenda.
Votes: McCoy-aye; McHenry-aye; Prock-aye; Truelsen-aye; Vass, aye.
- IV. POLICIES:

CODE	TOPIC	READING
GBGD	Worker's Compensation	review
GCBD	Professional Staff Fringe Benefits	review
GCG/GCGA	Part-time and Substitute Professional Staff	review
JLF-R	Reporting Child Abuse – regulation	review
KA*	Grading / Assessment Systems	review
KA-R*	Grading / Assessment Sys. – regulation	review
IG†	Curriculum Development	review
HAM	Health & Family Life / Sex Education	review
HAM-R*	... Sex Ed. – Exemption Procedure – reg.	review
HBIB-R	Primary / Preprimary Ed. – regulation	review
HCDA	Concurrent Enrollment	review
HCDA-R	Concurrent Enrollment – regulation	review
I	Instructional Resources and Materials	review
KE	Ensuring All Students Meet Standards	review
KF*	Graduation Requirements	review
MB	Teaching About Controversial Issues...	review
MBB	Exemptions from Required Instruction	review
GCCAB	Instructional Staff Emergency Leave	review
IA	Instructional Goals and Learning Objectives	REPEAL
IGA	Curriculum Development	REPEAL
IGD	Curriculum Adoption	REPEAL
IGD-E	Curriculum Adoption – exhibit	REPEAL
IGF	Curriculum Adoption Procedures	REPEAL

IHAC	History and Civil Government Education	REPEAL
IHAE	Physical Education	REPEAL
IHAMB	Family Life / Sex Education	REPEAL
IHAMB-R	Family Life / Sex Education Exemption	REPEAL
IHAMC	HIV / AIDS Education	REPEAL
IHAMC-R	HIV / AIDS Education Exemption Procedure	REPEAL
IHBD	Compensatory Education (Title I)	REPEAL
IJJ	Textbook Selection and Adoption	REPEAL
IJJ-R	Textbook Selection and Adoption – reg.	REPEAL
IJK	Supplementary Materials Selection & Adopt.	REPEAL
IJL	Library Materials Selection & Adoption	REPEAL
IJNDB	School Web Site Publishing	REPEAL
IJNDB-R	School Web Site Publishing – regulation	REPEAL
IKAB	Report Cards / Progress Reports	REPEAL
IL	Evaluation of Instructional Programs	REPEAL
ILBA	District Program Assessments	REPEAL
ILBB	State Program Assessments	REPEAL
IMA	Teaching Methods	REPEAL
IML	Classroom Safety Instruction	REPEAL
♦ Required by law		
† New Policy		
April 2015 Policy Parameters		
July 2015 Special Policy Update		
May 2014 Policy Parameters		
Policies repealed by CASB		

The following policies were discussed in detail:

GBGD – Workers’ Compensation – This is one of four policies currently being reviewed, that CASB has revised due to updates in the Affordable Care Act. The only revisions CASB made to this policy were to add a note and a legal reference. The Board will adopt the CASB sample policy.

G CBD – Professional Staff Fringe Benefits – CASB has reworded much of this policy in order to reflect the legal changes in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The changes add clarification regarding the provision of health insurance to full-time employees. The Board will accept the CASB changes.

GCG/GCGA – Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff – Employment / Qualifications of Substitute Staff – CASB has made significant revisions to this policy, the major change being to cap part-time and substitute teachers hours at 129 per month, unless pre-approved by the superintendent. If a part-time or substitute teacher were to exceed this hourly limit, they would be considered full-time employees according to the Affordable Care Act definition, and thus be eligible for the district’s insurance plan. The Board will adopt the CASB revised version.

JLF-R – Reporting Child Abuse / Child Protection – The updates CASB has made to this policy were to add a note that includes the Colorado Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline and remove verbiage that no longer applies to the abuse reporting system. The new hotline routes the caller to the appropriate county’s Department of Social Services or law enforcement system. The Board will accept the changes to this policy.

IKA– Grading / Assessment Systems / IKA-R – Grading / Assessment Systems (Exemption Procedure and Information to Parents / Guardians), regulation – This policy and regulation were part of a special policy update from CASB in July 2015. CASB has made several changes to this policy and regulation as a result of the passage of HB 15-1323. Districts are now required to adopt a policy regarding the option of using pencil and paper for assessments that are usually done on a computer. This option applies only in certain circumstances. CASB changes also include “opt out” information (which applies to state assessments only). CASB’s regulation IKA-R contains the exemption process for parents, as well as the requirements for districts regarding the publication and distribution of assessment calendars to parents. Because these policies are required by law and need to be in place immediately, the Board would like to adopt them now, waiving the usual three readings requirement (allowable under policy BG- School Board Policy Process).

A motion was made by Deanna Truelsen and seconded by Vangi McCoy to approve policies IKA – Grading/Assessment Systems, and regulation IKA-R – Exemption Procedure and Information to Parents/Guardians, and adopt them immediately.

Votes: McCoy-aye; McHenry-aye; Prock-aye; Truelsen-aye; Vass-aye

IG – Curriculum Development – This is a new policy and is intended by CASB to replace policies IGA, Curriculum Development; IGD, Curriculum Adoption; and IGF, Curriculum Review (in the repeals list above). CASB has overhauled the “Instruction” (section I) portion of the policy manual in order to update and reduce the number of policies covering similar subject matter. Policy IG combines curriculum development, adoption, and review into one policy. The Board will adopt this policy with a minor grammar change.

IHAM – Health and Family Life / Sex Education; IHAM-R Health and Family Life (Exemption Procedure) - regulation – This policy and regulation were discussed in depth. As a result of HB 13-1081, policy IHAM had significant revisions regarding the teaching of sex education and the exemption process. CASB has intended for this policy to replace IHAMB Family Life/Sex Education, and IHAMC-HIV/AIDS Education (on repeals list above). The revised regulation, IHAM-R explains the exemption process for parents that want to opt-out of this curriculum. The Board would like to make sure that the curriculum, policy, regulation, and opt-out form are available for parents at registration. This regulation is intended by CASB to replace IHAMB-R and IHAMC-R. The Board will adopt the CASB revised policy and regulation.

IHBIB-R Primary / Preprimary Education – CASB changed this policy by eliminating outdated language and removing the Tuition section (information from this section is contained in other documents). The Board will adopt the CASB changes.

IHCDA – Concurrent Enrollment – CASB has made minor changes to this policy, including the addition of a note, legal reference, cross reference, and a statement regarding a dropout recovery program. These changes will be accepted by the Board, but will include the addition of the current policy sections for “Payment of Tuition” and “Transportation”.

IHCDA-R – Concurrent Enrollment (Procedure for students seeking to enroll in postsecondary courses) - The regulation to policy IHCDA has been updated by CASB to include several notes and a timeline requirement in applying for concurrent enrollment classes. The Board will accept the CASB changes.

IJ – Instructional Resources and Materials – CASB has made substantial revisions to this policy and intended it to replace policies IJJ- Textbook Selection and Adoption; IJK- Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption; and IJL – Library Materials Selection and Adoption. There were minor wording changes made by CASB, as well as changes to legal and cross references. Jenifer Huffman, Secondary Principal was not in attendance, but supplied a policy from Beaufort County that addressed parental

inspection and objection to instructional materials. The Board would like to use that policy as a guideline for principals to use, but not adopt it as a policy because it is very specific. They felt that the CASB sample policies for Instructional Resources and Materials (IJ), Teaching about Controversial Issues and Use of Controversial Materials (IMB), and Health and Family Live / Sex Education (IHAM and IHAM-R) meet the state requirements on these topics, and the Beaufort Co. policy would serve better as an in-house guideline for principals. The revised CASB policy will be adopted by the Board.

IKE – Ensuring All Students Meet Standards – CASB has added the subtitle, “Promotion, Retention and Acceleration of Students” to this policy to clarify that it deals with these topics. Other changes include the addition of a note and a legal change. The Board would like to adopt the CASB version with the addition of some minor wording changes to reflect the type and frequency of the learning plans that will be used.

IKF- Graduation Requirements – The Secondary Principal has requested that this policy be put on hold until the committee addressing it has another meeting. The Board concurs.

IMB – Teaching about Controversial Issues and Use of Controversial Materials – CASB has performed a major overhaul on this policy. They have redefined “controversial material”, added film ratings, and added language that directs the teachers to consult with principals prior to discussing controversial issues in class. The Board discussed some issues that have occurred at the secondary schools and how the revised policy would have helped with this issue. They would like to adopt the CASB changes and would also like the building principals to review this policy with teachers yearly.

IMBB – Exemptions from Required Instruction – This policy was revised by CASB to clarify the exemption process for parents that want to exempt their children from certain subjects or activities, due to religious or personal beliefs. CASB also added a statement directing readers to policy IHAM for exemptions from curriculum on human sexuality. The Board will accept the CASB changes.

GCCAB – Instructional Staff Emergency Leave – This policy was brought before the Board at the request of a staff member who needed time off due to a house fire. The CASB sample policy allows two days of emergency leave (without loss of pay) for instructional staff. All personal leave must be exhausted prior to use of the policy. The Board will adopt this policy.

REPEALED POLICIES – The following policies have been repealed by CASB either because they are outdated or because they have been replaced by other policies:

IA – Instructional Goals and Learning Objectives

IGA – Curriculum Development (replaced by policy IG)

IGD – Curriculum Adoption (replaced by policy IG)

IGF – Curriculum Review (replaced by policy IG)

IHAC – History and Civil Government Education

IHAE – Physical Education

IHAMB – Family Life / Sex Education (replaced by policy IHAM, IHAM-R, IHAC, IHAC-R, IMB)

IHAMB-R – Family Life/Sex Ed., Exemption Procedure - regulation (replaced by policy IHAM, IHAM-R, IHAC, IHAC-R, IMB)

IHAMC – HIV/AIDS Education (replaced by policy IHAM, IHAM-R, IHAC, IHAC-R, IMB)

IHAMC-R – HIV/AIDS ED., Exemption Procedure - regulation (replaced by policy IHAM, IHAM-R, IHAC, IHAC-R, IMB)

IHBD – Compensatory Education -Title I

IJJ – Textbook Selection and Adoption (replaced by IJ)

IJK – Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption (replaced by IJ)

IJL – Library Materials Selection and Adoption (replaced by IJ)


IJNDB – School Website Publishing

IJNDB-R – School Website Publishing - regulation

IKAB – Report Cards / Progress Reports (replaced by IKA)
IL – Evaluation of Instructional Programs
ILBA – District Program Assessments (replaced by IKA)
ILBB – State Program Assessments (replaced by IKA)
IMA – Teaching Methods
IML – Classroom Safety Instruction

V. ADJOURNMENT WAS AT 6:30 p.m.


Board President Date 2/11/16


Board Secretary Date 2-11-16