

DOLORES SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-4A
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 11th, 2014
BOARD MEETING

Policy Meeting
Professional Development Room

September 11, 2014
5:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER - The Dolores School Board meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. on September 11th, 2014.
- II. ROLL CALL - Members present were: Vangi McCoy, Joye McHenry, Deanna Truelsen, and Linnea Vass. Sherri Maxwell, Elementary Principal, Karen Andrews, Business Manager, and Scott Cooper, Superintendent, were also in attendance. Not in attendance was Jon Kelly, Board President.
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
A motion was made by Linnea Vass and seconded by Vangi McCoy to approve the Agenda and Additions as presented.
Votes: McCoy-aye; McHenry-aye, Truelsen-aye, Vass, aye.

IV. POLICIES:

CODE	TOPIC	READING
BEC	Executive Sessions	review
BEDG	Minutes	review
IHBK (old IHA) ♦	Preparation for Postsecondary Success	review
IHBK-R♦	" " " " - reg.	review
KDB♦		
♦	Required by law	
†	New Policy	

The policy revisions from CASB were discussed in detail for each policy.

BEC – Executive Sessions – This policy is one of three addressed by CASB in a special policy update. Recent legislative updates now require boards to post the minutes of any board meeting (at which the Board holds an executive session) no later than 10 days after the Board has approved the minutes. Another new requirement stated in this policy is that Board members must sign an affidavit stating that they “are aware of and will comply with the confidentiality requirements and restrictions applicable to executive sessions of the Board”. The affidavits must be signed at the Board’s organizational meeting, and be kept with the minutes of the board meeting. The Board will adopt the CASB changes and Mrs. Arnett will contact CASB to see if they have a sample of the confidentiality affidavit.

BEDG- Minutes –The same revision CASB added to policy BEC (Executive Sessions) is contained in this policy in note form. CASB has also added language to clarify the new requirements regarding the amount of time an executive session topic is discussed. The board is currently recording the time the executive session begins and the time it ends, so they are in compliance with this new requirement. However, if the executive session covers more than one topic, the Secretary of the Board will need to record the time each topic was discussed. Regarding the topic of minutes, the Board would also like to have only a year’s worth of minutes posted on the district web page, and include a note above the links to the minutes stating this. The Board will accept the CASB revisions to this policy.

IHBK – Preparation for Postsecondary and Workforce Success (current policy IHA – Basic Instructional Program

– In order to include new state law requirements on ICAPs and streamline policies on instruction in a standards-based education system, CASB made a complete revision to this policy, and also changed the title and policy code. The Board discussed the ICAP process in detail. State law states the ICAPs are required no later than the beginning of 9th grade. The district starts the ICAP process in 8th grade. The CASB revised policy also includes requirements for schools to:

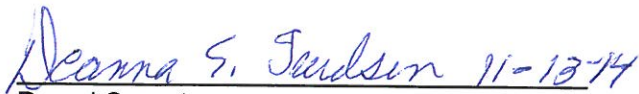
1. encourage 6th graders to register with a free online college planning and preparation resource, and
2. provide the parents of 8th graders with information on admission requirements for colleges in Colorado, and what courses the district provides that will meet the Colorado Commission on Higher Education’s requirements. The Board then asked about the scholarship application process. Since Mr. Thurston was not present at the meeting, they would like Mr. Cooper to look into how information about scholarships is distributed to parents. Mr. Cooper will do that, and suggested having a scholarship camp for Seniors, and a FASFA class for parents each August for that year’s Seniors. Mr. Cooper will also check in to what is currently being done for the Colorado Commission on Higher Education’s requirements. The Board will adopt the new policy with all changes.

IHBK-R – Preparation for Postsecondary and Workforce Success, regulation – The district did not have a regulation to policy IHA (which is being replaced with IHBK). The CASB revised regulation consists of mostly notes listing the State Board of Education’s requirements for ICAPs, and HB 12-1345 requirements. The Board will adopt the regulation.

KDB – Public’s Right to Know / Freedom of Information – CASB revisions to this policy were a result of an amendment to the Colorado Open Records Act (HB 14-1193). Schools that have a policy on charging a fee for furnishing copies of public records, may now charge a “research and retrieval fee” of up to \$30/hour (after the first hour which is free). After discussing how disruptive and time consuming requests for public records can be, the Board agreed that adopting these revisions would be helpful for the district.

V. ADJOURNMENT WAS AT 5:50 p.m.


Board President Date 11-13-14


Board Secretary Date 11-13-14