



# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD ROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE\* MINUTES OF MEETING March 23, 2020 (Special Meeting)

A Special Board Meeting of the Elizabeth School District was held on March 23, 2020 in the Board Room, District Office.

\*The special meeting was closed to the public in accordance with executive order 20-23 issued by Governor Jared Polis and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment guidance, gatherings of 10 people or more are prohibited. To ensure transparency of the Board's proceedings a live audio link was provided.

### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Carol Hinds called the Business Session BOE Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

### 2.0 ROLL CALL:

The following BOE Directors were present:

Director Paul Benkendorf  
Director Kim Frumveller  
Director John Guttenberg  
Director Carol Hinds  
Director Cary Karcher

Also present: Superintendent Douglas Bissonette, Chief Finance Director Ron Patera, HR Director Kin Shuman, Elizabeth High School Principal Bret McClendon, and Secretary to the Board Jaimee Glazebrook

### 3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Carol Hinds led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 4.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/BLANKET MOTION

A motion was made to approve the **revised** agenda.

Motion moved by Director Guttenberg

Motion seconded by Director Benkendorf

### ROLL CALL:

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye  
Director Kim Frumveller - aye  
Director John Guttenberg - aye  
Director Carol Hinds - aye  
Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 5-0

### 5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 A motion was made to approve the closure of Frontier High School. A resolution to close Frontier High School, Resolution ESD 2020-A1, was read by Director Karcher. The resolution was discussed at length and a change was made to include the following:

*The target date for current Frontier High School students to express serious interest in enrolling in an "alternative program" at Elizabeth High School, by scheduling a meeting with a counselor, shall be May 1, 2020.*



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Elizabeth High School (EHS) Principal Bret McClendon discussed credit questions, the “alternative program” options that will be offered at EHS along with the high school needing flexibility to do what is best for all students.

Chief Finance Director Ron Patera provided an update on the financial situation related to the impact of Covid-19.

Motion moved by Director Karcher  
Motion seconded by Director Benkendorf

A motion was made to amend the resolution.  
Motion moved by Director Benkendorf  
Motion seconded by Director Karcher

### ROLL CALL:

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye  
Director Kim Frumveller - aye  
Director John Guttenberg - aye  
Director Carol Hinds - aye  
Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 5-0

A motion was made to approve the amended resolution.  
Motion moved by Director Guttenberg  
Motion seconded by Director Karcher

### ROLL CALL:

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye  
Director Kim Frumveller - aye  
Director John Guttenberg - aye  
Director Carol Hinds - aye  
Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 5-0

5.2 A motion was made to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of revised policy BEAA\* (Electronic Participation in School Board Meetings).

Motion moved by Director Benkendorf  
Motion seconded by Director Guttenberg

### ROLL CALL:

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye  
Director Kim Frumveller - aye  
Director John Guttenberg - aye  
Director Carol Hinds - aye  
Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 5-0

5.3 A motion was made to approve the Resolution to Grant Emergency Powers to the Superintendent.

Motion moved by Director Benkendorf  
Motion seconded by Director Karcher



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### ROLL CALL:

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye  
Director Kim Frumveller - aye  
Director John Guttenberg - aye  
Director Carol Hinds - aye  
Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 5-0

### 6.0 COMMUNICATIONS

#### 6.1 Coronavirus Update

Superintendent Bissonette shared that the first day back from Spring Break is today, teachers and staff had planning and professional development to prepare for remote learning. The expectations are that every student is reached by teachers by the end of this week to establish their relationship in this new context of learning. The goal of the district is to build meaningful engagement for the remainder of the year since it is likely that students won't be returning to the physical classroom by the end of the year. Many events and celebrations have had to be canceled and the district plans to try and celebrate the most important events in some way. The plan is not to penalize any graduating seniors based on work done since the start of remote learning. The district thanked Lori Clark, District Nurse, for an outstanding job working with staff and the public health department. A thank you went to Marty Silva, Technology Director, for helping the staff get prepared for remote learning, along with Shane Pynes, Director of Safety, for helping maintain public health standards and safety, and Teri Maher, Food Service Director, for getting ready to provide meals to students in need. A thank you to the Board was given as well for their support during this time.


Discussion was had about future planned school events.

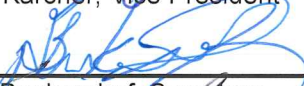
### 7.0 ADJOURNMENT


The regular board meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Carol Hinds, President

  
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Cary Karcher, Vice President

  
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Paul Benkendorf, Secretary

  
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Kim Frumveller, Treasurer

  
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John Guttenberg, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded by: Jaimee Glazebrook