

Official Minutes  
**Weld County School District Re-3(J)**  
Work Session Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2015

1. **Call to Order** by President Haffner at 6:00pm.
2. **Roll Call** Haffner, Jensen and Veldhuizen present. Gustafson arrived at 6:05pm.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Review of Agenda**
5. **Discussion Items**

**5.1 Unified Improvement Plan Review (Hudson & HS)**

Greg Dent and Dan Kennedy were present to highlight portions of their school's unified improvement plans. Mr. Dent noted that Hudson has three primary strategies they are working on this year: to increase literacy instruction, to provide interventions for ELL students focusing on vocabulary in all content areas, and to maintain focused interventions for students identified in need of tier two and tier 3 intervention so that they can make growth to catch up and keep up with their peers. Dan Kennedy noted the High Schools three primary strategies for the year: implement the new 6-12 Math curriculum resources, implement the Freshman Transition program, and enhance the counseling services aimed at transition support from Middle School to High School.

**5.2 FY16 Budget Update**

Ms. Clark provided an update to the Board regarding anticipated revenues for FY16 based on projected October 1 enrollment and the preliminary Assessed Valuation estimates from Weld and Adams County. The Assessed Valuation is over 20% higher than last year, which indicates the district will likely be 100% locally funded. Revenue is anticipated to be higher than budgeted because the negative factor will not have as negative impact on the district as it has in recent years. Administration and the Board discussed preliminary recommendations on where to direct additional revenue which is anticipated to be a one year increase. Administration is planning a Community Finance Forum on September 24 at 6:30 at WCHS.

**5.3 Strategic Planning Activities**

District administration has begun developing the 2015-2016 activities to be included in the Strategic Plan. The draft version of the Strategic Plan was reviewed. Additional work is needed with school administration and leadership teams to fully develop this year's activities.

**5.4 Master Facility Planning Process**

Administration updated the Board on the process to date. The full community meeting where "vision" will be the focus has been scheduled for Thursday, October 29. Board members will consider community members who may be interested in being a part of the Planning Committee which will form following the community meeting. Dr. Rabenhorst will ask DAC members to help facilitate the small groups at the community meeting.

**5.5 Parent Teacher Conference Attendance**

Parent Teacher Conferences are on October 13, 14 & 15. Board members decided that they would not attend PTC's this time but would attend them in February.

**5.6 CASB Annual Conference Attendance**

Dates for this year's CASB Conference are December 3-6. The Board discussed their attendance. Ms. Monsey will complete the registration process as soon as it opens.

**5.7 Voluntary Retirement Options**

Ms. Clark reviewed the recommended Voluntary Retirement Option with the Board. The recommendation is to offer the incentive offered in the previous year, which is the Transitional Retirement year.

### **5.8 Electronic Participation & BOE Meeting Attendance Policy**

A copy of current policy B-3 (BEAA) Electronic Participation in School Board Meetings was reviewed. This policy addresses the legal requirements for meeting attendance.

### **5.9 Annexation of Weld Central Campus**

Select pages of the Annexation Petition and Agreement were reviewed; the full documents were provided at the previous meeting. Regarding the Petition, the Town is willing to make revisions to 2L while there was no change to 7. The Town is not willing to accept a petition that contains a right of withdrawal by the District, primarily because of the previous agreement to annex as part of the Standard Water Service Agreement. The withdrawal language would conflict with the District's obligation to annex the property. Regarding the Agreement, the Town does not agree to remove language regarding the Special District Inclusion (7.). There is no special district currently, and the next item in the agreement allows for a petition for exclusion if one did exist. The Cost Agreement is also included with a reduced initial amount of \$7500. Board members agreed by consensus that no additional changes are needed involving legal counsel. The documents will be placed on the September 16 meeting for approval.

## **6. Adjournment @ 7:52pm.**