

**BOARD MEETING OF THE GILPIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**June 07, 2016**

President Craig Holmes called the meeting of the Gilpin County Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Armstrong – present; Boulter – present; Holmes – present; Ramsey – absent; Taylor – present.

Board Member Kersten Armstrong read the mission statement.

**Armstrong (m); Boulter (s): APPROVE the agenda, as presented.**

*Armstrong – aye; Boulter – aye; Holmes – aye; Taylor – aye*

**CARRIED**

During *Congratulations and Celebrations*, Superintendent MacKenzie noted the school had a great close to the school year with lots of events and banquets. MacKenzie congratulated the Elementary teachers and students for their academic achievement for approaching ninety percent proficiency at or above grade level in reading and math.

During *Public Participation*, Patty Unruh with the Weekly Register-Call asked President Craig Holmes when he would be available to do a story regarding the grand opening of the Gilpin Education Foundation’s Convenience store, EagleSmart. Holmes suggested to meet at the end of this week or next week.

**Armstrong (m); Boulter (s): APPROVE the minutes of the May 16, 2016, board meeting as presented.**

*Armstrong – aye; Boulter – aye; Holmes – aye; Taylor – aye*

**CARRIED**

During *New Business*, Food Services Coordinator Jane Yerkman was in attendance to share with the board the 2015/2016 Foodservice update. Yerkman stated the Food Service program had an overall successful year. Yerkman met with Nutrition Director Tammie Rempe with the Colorado BOCES Association for an audit of the school program on May 2, 2016. After the audit was conducted, Rempe’s supplied the school with a report. In that report, Rempe stated, “Your district has a wonderful nutrition program that offers best practices such as scratch cooking, colorful menu items and definite pride in meal presentation. I think your district has the

opportunity to seek out awards such as HUSSC and the Healthy School Champion Award. In addition, I would recommend you apply for Fuel Up to Play 60 program which is intended to engage your students to improve the health and wellness environment of the district.”

Yerkman highlighted a few of Rempe’s suggestions which included a Profit and Loss document for Yerkman to use to keep more accurate information regarding expenses, and to create a themed-based menu like Taco Tuesday and Pizza Thursday, and/or add soup to the menu everyday.

Yerkman informed the board that she had sent out a survey to the third through eleventh grade students at the end of the year to get a better understanding of what menu items the students were most interested in purchasing for school lunches.

Yerkman also shared with the board a few thank you cards she received from students to show their appreciation.

Superintendent MacKenzie thanked Secretary/Treasurer Charlotte Taylor for recommending Tammy Rempe. MacKenzie also thanked Yerkman for her presentation to the board and Yerkman’s hard work over the years to improve the food Service program. MacKenzie noted that Yerkman and her team, Adelaide King and Arlene Garcia, for their contribution and hard work to serve students. The board thanked Yerkman.

**Boulter (m); Armstrong (s): APPROVE the Hire/Contract for Elizabeth Hamilton, Second Grade Teacher, effective August 8, 2016.**

**Discussion.** Superintendent MacKenzie stated Hamilton is an experience teacher in classroom and has a Special Education background. MacKenzie noted that Hamilton will be teaching second grade literacy, while Joyce Campbell will be teaching math and science.

*Armstrong – aye; Boulter – aye; Holmes – aye; Taylor – aye*

## **CARRIED**

During *New Business*, Superintendent MacKenzie and the board confirmed the Location for Publication and Posting of Board of Education Meetings, along with the 2016/2017 Board of Education Meeting Schedule.

During the *Superintendent’s Report*, MacKenzie briefed the board about Instructional Initiatives. MacKenzie stated the Elementary and Secondary Principals will be meeting with MacKenzie to discuss the Review and Revisions of the Strategic Plan 2020. MacKenzie and the Principals will focus on aligned curriculum, research-based instructional strategies (incorporation technology in teaching and learning), and frequent progress-monitoring to inform remediation and enrichment.

MacKenzie mentioned we are still waiting to hear back from the civil engineer regarding the site plans before moving forward with project bids.

MacKenzie reported on the Summer Cleaning and Maintenance. MacKenzie noted that OmniPro Cleaning Company will trade out the cleaning crew for the floor crew to clean all the carpets and wax tile. MacKenzie stated the gym floor should be done within the next day or two and then needs to be cured for a few weeks.

MacKenzie mentioned that Safety Day was held on May 19, 2016 and the kids really enjoyed the event, especially the helicopter landing on the football field.


MacKenzie mentioned the Volunteer Recognition Reception was held on May 24, 2016. MacKenzie thanked Board Secretary Gretchen Sechler and District Administrative Assistant Michelle Herrera-Welch for hosting the event. MacKenzie also thanked Ardetta Robertson with Pies in the Sky for supplying the delicious pies for the event. MacKenzie was happy to report the event had doubled in attendance from the prior year and stated the reception was a nice evening.

MacKenzie informed the board there was no technology update other than the school is still waiting to find out if we receive the E-Rate funding.

MacKenzie stated the school still needs to hire a teacher for the position of Montessori Lower Elementary.

During *Next Agenda*, MacKenzie noted the meeting for June 21, 2016 will start with a work session at 6:30 p.m. and the board will need to approve the budget during the board meeting.

Holmes adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.



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Craig Holmes, President



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Charlotte Taylor, Secretary/Treasurer