PEYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 23-JT Peyton, Colorado Board of Education Minutes June 19th, 2012 Elementary School

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE President Nevills called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Bond, Mr. Frohbieter, Mr. Nevills. Members absent Mr. Bates, Mrs. Lee

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the amended agenda was made to place Mr. Eckelberry into the community input. Mr. Bond it was seconded by Mr. Frohbieter. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of May 15th was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded by Mr. Bond. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

V. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ITEMS

A motion to approve the financial items was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded by Mr. Bond. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

- VI. COMMUNITY INPUT- Mr. James Eckelberry- Presented a management letter to the board and administration. A copy of this letter is included in the board minutes. Mr. Eckelberry stated that felt there were things that the board could do to maximize the funding. He explained that the board growth was an objective and recommends that the board members have self-review. Furthermore, he believes that the board should identify and establish what the board members are able and willing to do to act as innovative leaders. He suggests that they work with the superintendent to review and plan for revenue/grants growth. Out of district enrollment growth and expense control to include strengthening administrative data reporting. He believes that the resources of the district are not utilized to their potential. As an example, he said the issue with the football field. He believes that the parents involved should have addressed the board after being vetted through the DAC. In his report, Mr. Eckelberry, stated that transportation and maintenance should be providing variance reports that they are prepared to explain any increases to the board on the spot. He believes that designating staff members to function as technology director and education direct would assist the Superintendent in providing information in those areas. In his opinion, communication is an issue that needs to be handled. If the district had directors, that could be designated, these issues would be able to reach someone and be resolved. Mr. Eckelberry said that additional funding would need to come from the Grants. Mr. Nevills pointed out that the district does have a couple of individuals that do grant writing for the district. He did say that the commitment for some of these grants is the issue with some of these grants. Mr. Eckelberry said that the reporting for those would be established. Mr. Nevills said that if the district did get a committee together that would be the thing to do. Mr. Eckelberry mentioned seeing what some of the leaders are doing outside of our district this would be beneficial. Mr. Kistler stated that most of these grants are based upon income such as the Federal free & reduced programs. Since we do not have that ratio these grants would not be applied to the district. Mr. Nevills expressed his appreciation to Mr. Eckelberry for taking the time to provide his observations to the board. Mr. Nevills acknowledged that traditionally the board would not hear of these suggestions unless there was an issue with the district. At that time they would typically see parent involvement for one or two meetings until the issue lost momentum and community interest waned. Mr. Nevills said that he would like to see a community night to get in touch with the community and communicate with them. The board has spoken about ways to use the middle school to bring more community events to the area. Mr. Bond and Mr. Nevills both stated that the Board of Education does encourage others to come together for the betterment of the community. Mr. Eckelberry expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to speak to the board.
- VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Mr. Kistler reported that the bleacher project is on hold until they can gather the signature from an engineer a do a double check on what can be done about the announcer's booth. They had 155 people in the high school gym to look at and review the curriculum maps that were purchased from Focal Point. The 8 PPBOCES schools had many of their staff attend the presentation. The district was able to purchase this curriculum map through the race to the top funds. They have received a lot of stuff from a closing company that a teacher spoke to about donating. Another teacher that works down town for workforce and they may want to donate this to our school. The plan for the bleacher project has fallen through the gaps. They need a P.E. stamp for the bleachers to get done but this can't happen until the stamp has been found. Mr. Nevills asked if we can contract this out? Mr. Kistler explained that this cost is going to explode if we did higher someone to do that. The structural engineer would need to have a full drawing. Mr. Frohbieter said that he has an engineer. Mr. Kistler said they do have sketches but need actual drawing. Mr. Nevills said that he recognized that goodwill only goes so far, eventually they have to

go to the next level and get things done. Mr. Bond said there are three issues at hand. Mr. Kistler is doing all the work, the second point is a construction manager and finally a set of drawings that we can get taken for a P.E. Stamp. The district has reposted the maintenance position. This will end next Thursday. The numbers with the elementary were supposed to be addressed at the board meeting that was supposed to occur. There were two teaching positions that left. They were on track to hire a new 5th grade teacher and because of the numbers they have talked about combining 1 & 2nd grades. They would look at how to combine the classes and have projected forward past the two year projections. Therefore, they will be a little more taxing for those classes but it will work and could potentially work well together with the curriculum mapping. So, unless there are huge objections they will continue looking at this and call in some teachers to talk about these moves. Mr. Nevills asked if there were other districts talking about this? Yes. Mr. Bond asked if the out of district kids are still being monitored. Mr. Kistler did state that the low classes are affecting neighboring districts as well. 12-13 school year will be looking for a plan for 13-14. Mr. Nevills would like to have a work session to discuss this change. Mr. Kistler said yes. Mr. Kistler stated that they would also like to talk about perhaps asking for a mill-levy override to place that into salaries. If the constant level is the same and the mill levy that money would come directly to the Peyton school district and it's already coming in once the ES bond ends. Mr. Nevills said that if we could get that approved would the state authorize us to use those monies in that manner. Mr. Kistler said that would have to be addressed in the wording on the over-ride ballot that would specifically stated. Mr. Kistler also addressed his desire to have the August board meeting changed to the 4th week in August since he will be out of town.

VIII. BOARD REQUESTS AND REPORTS

High School- No report Elementary School-No report District Advisory Report- No report

Boces Report- Mr. Nevills said they had the last meeting for the summer a week before. Mr. Kistler received the PPBOCES award –Mr. Kistler did a lot of work behind the scene with the director to get things transitioned. Mr. Nevills also received an award "All State Board award for Colorado Boces member of the year." He was one of 5. Next meeting will be in September.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Request to change the August board meeting to the 4th Tuesday in August. A motion to approve the change of the board meeting to August 28th from August 21st was made by Mr. Frohbieter and seconded by Mr. Bond. All board member present voted "aye" motion passed.

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS-

- X. EXECUTIVE SESSION-C.R.S. 24-6-402-(4) (f) Personnel.
- XI. ADJOURN- Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded Mr. Bond. All board members present voted "Aye". Mr. adjourned the meetings at: 8:10p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED August 28, 2012.

President

Secretary