

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MS. KAREN MILLER, Presiding
MR. SCOTT GORSKY
MS. HEATHER HUNT
MRS. SHERRY SCAGGIARI
MS. SHELLEY THOMPSON

STAFF PRESENT:

Ms. Joan Diedrich, Director, Student Services
Mr. Chris Gramstorff, Chief Operating Officer
Ms. Peg LaPlante, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Dale Stout, Director, Technology

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Miller, President, called the special meeting of the Board of Education to order at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Roscoe L. Davidson Administration Building.

Mrs. Scaggiari moved, and Ms. Miller seconded, to add Flood Discussion as an agenda item.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Gorsky, Aye
Ms. Hunt, Aye
Ms. Miller, Aye

Mrs. Scaggiari, Aye
Ms. Thompson, Aye
Motion Carried, 5-0

II. DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Proposed Central Office Reductions

Dr. McCabe opened the Special Meeting saying that, per request of the Board, he had provided the Board with several options to the proposed elimination of the Learning Services Department.

The Board opened the meeting to Public Comments. The following people addressed the Board regarding their concern about the proposed elimination of the Learning Services Department:

- Ms. Michelle Watson, Parent and ECE Para-Professional
- Ms. Sheri Anderson, Cherrelyn Teacher
- Ms. Jacqi Todeschi, Parent and DAAC Representative
- Ms. Beth Hankle, EHS Teacher

The speakers stressed the importance of Learning Services and encouraged the Board to keep the department intact, listing many of the department's accomplishments and impacts to the District. Ms. Hankle also distributed a letter to the Board, written by Ms. Gale Sperry, EHS Teacher, which also supported keeping the Learning Services Department.

Overall, Board members agreed that Learning Services is a critical part of Englewood Schools and that cuts to this department would negatively affect the District, but that any of the proposed options would also have negative impacts. The Board discussed that it is important to make decisions based on the Strategic Plan and on the CADI report, noting that the CADI report does emphasize curriculum. There was some discussion regarding possible other options, including downgrading the Executive Director position, using money from the reserves to maintain the position for one more year while looking at additional restructuring, and the amount of money available for negotiations.

Ms. Thompson moved, and Ms. Hunt seconded, to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing determination of positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, development of strategy for negotiations, and instruction of negotiators. This Executive Session is in accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e). The Board invites the following into the Executive Session: Dr. Jim McCabe, Mr. Chris Gramstorff, Ms. Peg LaPlante, Ms. Joan Diedrich.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Gorsky, Aye	Mrs. Scaggiari, Aye
	Ms. Hunt, Aye	Ms. Thompson, Aye
	Ms. Miller, Aye	Motion Carried, 5-0

Mrs. Scaggiari moved, and Ms. Miller seconded, to return to regular session.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Gorsky, Aye	Mrs. Scaggiari, Aye
	Ms. Hunt, Aye	Ms. Thompson, Aye
	Ms. Miller, Aye	Motion Carried, 5-0

After the Executive Session, Ms. Miller announced that the Board had decided to maintain the Learning Services Department, but downgrade the Executive Director of Learning Systems position to a Director position.

2. Flood Discussion

Ms. Thompson moved, and Mrs. Scaggiari seconded, to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal, or other property. This Executive Session is in accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a). The Board invites the following into the Executive Session: Dr. Jim McCabe, Mr. Chris Gramstorff, Ms. Peg LaPlante, Ms. Joan Diedrich.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Gorsky, Aye	Mrs. Scaggiari, Aye
	Ms. Hunt, Aye	Ms. Thompson, Aye
	Ms. Miller, Aye	Motion Carried, 5-0

Mrs. Scaggiari moved, and Ms. Miller seconded, to return to regular session.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Gorsky, Aye	Mrs. Scaggiari, Aye
	Ms. Hunt, Aye	Ms. Thompson, Aye
	Ms. Miller, Aye	Motion Carried, 5-0

The District will send out RFQs (Request for Questions) to determine what type of interest there may be in the Flood property.

III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Miller adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Ms. Karen Miller, President
Board of Education

Jill Rogers, Secretary to the
Board of Education

Date Approved