

**LITTLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Education Services Center
5776 South Crocker Street
January 15, 2009
6:30 P.M.**

A G E N D A

- 6:30 P.M. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**
Roll Call
WELCOME PUBLIC
Pledge of Allegiance
Approve Minutes of December 11, 2008, Regular Meeting. *
- 7:05 P.M. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
BOARD REPORTS/REQUESTS
- 7:25 P.M. CITIZENS' REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD**
- 7:55 P.M. ACTION**
1. Consent Agenda.
 - 1.1 Personnel Recommendations. *
 2. School Accreditation Recommendation.
 3. East Elementary School Playground Grant Application. *
- 8:00 P.M. DISCUSSION**
1. Proposed District Calendars for 2009–2010 and 2010–2011 School Years. *
 2. Board Policy Revisions: IKA, IKA-R—Grading/Assessment System, IKE—Promotion and Retention of Students, and IKF, IKF-E—Graduation Requirements. *
 3. Library/Media Program Update. *
- 10:00 P.M. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/ADJOURNMENT**

➤ **The times indicated on this agenda are estimates, actual times may vary.** ⬅

**Indicates Support Materials Included*

INFORMATION

1. Superintendent's Report.

The Superintendent will share information deemed appropriate in the interest of communication.

2. Board Reports/Requests.

Board members report to the Board regarding recent meetings they have attended. Requests for future agenda items/discussions/reports are introduced at this time.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD

This time period will provide an opportunity for members of the community to speak to the Board on items of interest or concern that do not appear elsewhere on the agenda.

Each person addressing the Board will have three minutes to present his or her views. It has been the practice of the Board not to respond during the current meeting to statements or questions presented during this segment of the agenda.

ACTION

1. Consent Agenda.

1.1 Personnel Recommendations. * (Owens)

Employment, Resignations, and Terminations of Licensed Personnel
Employment, Resignations, and Terminations of Classified Personnel
Leaves of Absence

MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the recommended consent agenda numbered 1.1 concerning Personnel Recommendations.

2. School Accreditation Recommendation. (Bouwman)

At its December 11 meeting, the Board reviewed a recommendation from administration that all district schools be accredited as required by state law. Administration recommends action by the Board to accredit LPS schools.

MOTION:

3. East Elementary Playground Grant Application. * (Madsen)

The East Elementary PTO Playground Committee, in collaboration with the City of Littleton and the South Suburban Park and Recreation District, is seeking approval to submit a grant application to Arapahoe County Open Space for the purposes of upgrading the playground and creating a community park. The application requires approval from the property owner and a letter of support for the project. Any grant match required will be provided by PTO funds and other sources and thereby will not create an obligation upon the district. A letter of support is provided for the Board's consideration and approval.

MOTION:

DISCUSSION

1. Proposed District Calendars for 2009–2010 and 2010–2011 School Years. *
(Hundley)
(*Strategic Focus Area: 3*)

Administration presents for discussion the proposed school year calendars for 2009–2010 and 2010–2011. The calendar drafts represent the Board of Education calendar values established in September 2008, which are contained in Board Policy ICA-E—School Year/School Calendar, the ongoing work of the calendar committee, and reflect recommendations from the spring 2008 Late Start Review Panel, as well as feedback from district advisory groups and various employee groups. The presentation will include further detail about the calendar components, basic assumptions, and key points about the proposed calendars, as well as Colorado Department of Education (CDE) requirements regarding instructional time. The Board will have an opportunity to ask questions and obtain additional information as needed. The proposed calendars are scheduled for action on January 29.

2. Board Policy Revisions: IKA, IKA-R—Grading/Assessment System, IKE—Promotion and Retention of Students, and IKF, IKF-E—Graduation Requirements. * (Bouwman)
(*Strategic Focus Areas: 1, 4, 7, 9*)

Proposed revisions to policies, regulations, and exhibits related to the district's grading system, promotion and retention of students, and high school graduation requirements are presented for Board review and discussion. These proposed revisions are the result of work done by a committee that included secondary principals and assistant principals, as well as Learning Support Team members. The intent of these revisions is to more closely align policies and practices among secondary schools while maintaining valued differences among them. The work of the committee was based on Board values for grading policies and practices and graduation requirements as outlined by the Board at a workshop on September 25, 2008. Administration will review the major changes to policies and associated regulations and exhibits in preparation for action on January 29.

3. Library/Media Program Update. * (Bouwman)
(*Strategic Focus Areas: 2, 4, 6, 9*)

A revision committee consisting of licensed library media staff members has met for the past year with the objective to move the district's school library/media centers into the 21st century. The committee has researched relevant information and has drafted recommendations and philosophical assumptions that support this transition. The Board will have an opportunity to review and discuss this information. Because library/media is a program, not a curriculum, Board action is not required.

ADJOURNMENT