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BE IT REMEMBERED THAT on September 9, 2015,  
the above-entitled meeting was conducted at the Colorado  
Department of Education, before the following Board  
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Steven Durham (R), Chairman  
Angelika Schroeder (D), Vice Chairman  
Valentina (Val) Flores (D)  
Jane Goff (D)  
Pam Mazanec (R)  
Joyce Rankin (R)  
Debora Scheffel (R)



1 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: (Indiscernible) we go.

2 MS. FLORES: Okay, thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: All right, a little  
4 behind, but not too bad today. So let's start -- we're  
5 going to go to Item 18, Commissioner Search Update. I'm  
6 going to introduce Gary Ray, president of Ray &  
7 Associates. Before do, just remind to the Board members  
8 that there are currently this week commissioner search  
9 input meetings to allow for the opportunity for Ray &  
10 Associates to receive frank feedback from their -- from  
11 the constituent stakeholder groups. I would encourage my  
12 fellow board members not to attend those meetings so that  
13 we don't detour frank comments from -- from that  
14 constituency groups. Obviously they're open to the  
15 public and anyone can attend, but I don't know that your  
16 participation would be necessarily particularly helpful.  
17 So Mr. Ray?

18 MR. RAY: Well, thank you. With me I have  
19 Ryan Ray (ph) with me. I introduced him to some of the  
20 Board members that were out here in the room. And he  
21 will be assisting me tomorrow. We're -- we're excited  
22 about tomorrow, because we're going to start talking to  
23 various stakeholder groups and Dr. Paige Fenton Hughes.  
24 If you'll remember, she was here last time. She is going  
25 to be out in Grand Junction, Colorado at the Mesa



1 University meeting with some rural schools to kind of  
2 kick things off. I will be here meeting with the  
3 Colorado Association of School Board representatives,  
4 Colorado Education Association.

5 We're going to -- Paige will finally be  
6 driving back to join me tomorrow evening and so that we  
7 can have an open forum that will start at 6:15 in this  
8 room. We're going to be meeting with a lot of -- of  
9 elected officials. We'll be meeting with Senator Hill,  
10 Chair of the House Education Committee. We're going to  
11 be meeting with some of the governor's representative, as  
12 well as some staff members as far as what they do,  
13 department. We're going to be meeting with some CASE and  
14 their governing board, as well as the lieutenant governor  
15 over the period of two days. And so we've got a --  
16 thanks to Bizy, we got a very busy schedule, you might  
17 say. No, sorry about that. I just --

18 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Busy, busy, busy.

19 MR. RAY: I just had to say that. Anyway,  
20 and then we're going to have a statewide call-in  
21 conference, where people can call in and talk to us. So  
22 we're really excited to the credit of the Board and --  
23 and Bizy reaching out to various stakeholder groups  
24 across, you know, the -- the state to get input.

25 Our website for our survey went up on the



1 state website back in a few weeks ago, I believe. We've  
2 already got over 500 people have already completed that  
3 survey. And that's -- and we haven't even met with some  
4 -- some of the stakeholder groups yet. So I -- you know,  
5 I -- I think we're getting a -- a pretty good response in  
6 -- in my 40-plus years of working with a lot of state  
7 departments. I feel pretty good about where we're at  
8 right now.

9 The survey itself is going to be open until  
10 through the weekend, even, until 8:00 on Monday morning.  
11 And so we're -- we're glad that that's going to be open.  
12 I plan to starting to get the information gathered after  
13 that meeting that which is the 14th at 8:00 a.m. It's  
14 going to take my staff a little time to put all that, you  
15 know, data together. We will, if you will remember the  
16 date that we're going to be talking about on the 21st, to  
17 give you the results. Now, in the meantime, I'm going to  
18 be trying to put a draft together that's going to go up  
19 on the website that our -- our 170-plus associates can  
20 utilize, as well as go on our website to tell people  
21 about the job.

22 So I hope to have that draft right around  
23 the 16th. And if I can get that draft to her, maybe we  
24 could share that, get it out, so you can take a look at  
25 it prior too on the 21st. And of course, now, I have not



1 checked any of this with staff, so they love me when I do  
2 this. But anyway, I'm looking at the 16th to have that  
3 done and the 21st, we're going to finalize the profile.  
4 Obviously in a profile we can't put everything, but we're  
5 -- but one of the good things, we'll be able to utilize  
6 some numbers and some themes that will come out of  
7 various stakeholder groups, as well as the individual  
8 meetings we -- we have had with you.

9           And then we'll put that, you know, the flier  
10 together and then we'll get it out rolling. And we've  
11 been holding back some of our advertisement just from the  
12 standpoint we'd like to get the flier out first and get  
13 it done.

14           And if I can tell you about the 21st, we can  
15 do that a number of different ways, the results. The  
16 information will be, you know, pretty much data-driven.  
17 And we can either Skype that, we can do a -- a number of  
18 different ways, go to meetings or Paige or I could be  
19 here and go through it. I don't know what's your  
20 pleasure. I know I -- I always try to save on travel and  
21 the expense when I can. And so if we could do it, you  
22 know, where I can get you the information and maybe do it  
23 by -- by some electronic means, that might be the best  
24 way of doing it, from a cost standpoint. So I'm -- I'm  
25 offering for us to be able to do that. And I think we



1 can probably get it done -- done that way.

2 So if not, you know, one of the three of us  
3 will be here to -- to talk you through it. But I think -  
4 - think the data will be very clear how we got to our  
5 recommendation based upon the input that we get from the  
6 various stakeholder groups, as well as the information  
7 that -- that the survey will show us.

8 Now, I -- I will tell you that, as we will  
9 tell all the groups tomorrow, there are some of the  
10 information we get that we'll probably develop into --  
11 into questions, interview questions for the search team  
12 to -- to utilize as we screen candidates and also for the  
13 Board to use in the interview process. And there will  
14 probably be a couple rounds of interviews and there will  
15 be maybe some things that'll come through that might be  
16 more appropriate for an interview than it might be for a  
17 quality -- for the state commissioner.

18 So we're -- the -- I don't believe there's  
19 going to be any information that we will not be able to  
20 utilize in the process. We just can't use -- use it all  
21 on a flier. And so nothing will get lost. So on the --  
22 on the 21st, I'd like to see -- do we have a time for  
23 that yet?

24 MS. BURDSALL: No, but we -- I can -- we can  
25 get a time figured out.



1 (Overlapping)

2 MR. RAY: Okay, all right.

3 MS. BURDSALL: -- talking to Steve --

4 (Overlapping)

5 MR. RAY: Okay. I just want you to make  
6 sure on the 21st you know we will finalize that. And in  
7 the meantime I'll try to get some information to you  
8 ahead, at least a draft on the 16th, so you'll see that  
9 prior to the 21st. And -- and that's what it will be, is  
10 just a draft document. Then on the 21st, we'll finalize  
11 the -- the -- the draft, the brochure, the flier, and  
12 then the qualities that we like to include.

13 And then we'll be off and running. Remember  
14 the deadline for all applications is the -- November 7th  
15 is what we have. And last time we spoke, we -- we had  
16 the -- for the meeting that I'm going to go meet with you  
17 to share all the -- the recruiting information and -- and  
18 the confidential information that we will be sharing with  
19 you is that we have the 17th, the 16th, or the 19th that  
20 was sort of kind of very fluid, if you'll remember. And  
21 I would like to get that date, you know, tied down. If  
22 we can't get it done today, definitely on the -- on the  
23 21st that we're going to have to finalize that. So if  
24 you -- if you don't have your calendar with you, I'm  
25 giving you fair warning on the 21st we need to set that



1 day.

2 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Would you say that  
3 again?

4 MR. RAY: And right now I -- I've kept it  
5 open for me. The -- the 17th, 16th, or the 19th. So  
6 we'll -- we'll try to finalize that, unless you think you  
7 can do it today. I see some of you would like to maybe -  
8 -

9 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Of October or November?

10 MR. RAY: We're talking November.

11 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Interview days?

12 MR. RAY: No, this is where -- where the  
13 information I'm -- I'm going to be -- because the  
14 deadline, remember is November 7th, and then we would be  
15 looking at the 17th, 16th, or the 19th for us to share  
16 the information.

17 My office would probably say a little bit  
18 later would be better for us, just because everyone seems  
19 to sort of wait until the last minute to apply, no matter  
20 what job I do in the country. It's just something about  
21 that.

22 MS. FLORES: So you're wishing the 19th?  
23 You're -- you're requesting the 19th?

24 MR. RAY: Yeah, 19th would be fine for --  
25 for us, if that would work for you.





1 MS. MAZANEC: And that -- would that  
2 necessarily mean a meeting here or could it be a phone  
3 meeting?

4 MR. RAY: If it would be better to do it on  
5 the, you know, you know, 16th or 17th, we'll try to make  
6 that work, but 19th would be better. If --

7 MS. SHEFFEL: Pam, I think we have to be  
8 there, because --

9 MR. RAY: No, this will be a meeting --

10 MS. MAZANEC: Okay.

11 MR. RAY: This will be a meeting, us coming  
12 here.

13 MS. MAZANEC: In person.

14 MR. RAY: There may be some travel  
15 arrangements here. So --

16 MS. MAZANEC: November.

17 MR. RAY: -- if you -- if you would like,  
18 maybe we can finalize that on the 21st or we can do it  
19 now. I've always found that if you submit it, then that  
20 date is there. Now, if something comes up, obviously,  
21 you know, we can be a little fluid one day or another.

22 MS. FLORES: And again, we're talking about  
23 September?

24 ALL: November.

25 MS. FLORES: November, oh, sorry.



1 MR. RAY: November. This is after the  
2 deadline.

3 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: (Indiscernible)  
4 Thanksgiving.

5 MR. RAY: This is after the deadline.  
6 Remember, the 7th is the deadline and then I'm going to  
7 share all the application and the confidential  
8 information --

9 MS. FLORES: I'm sorry.

10 MR. RAY: -- that with you will be on the  
11 17th, 16th, or 19th.

12 MS. FLORES: Or 19th, okay.

13 MR. RAY: If you'll remember, we narrowed it  
14 down to those three dates.

15 MS. MAZANEC: I think I -- well, we can --  
16 we can --

17 (Overlapping)

18 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: How long are we meeting  
19 for the date, Mr. --

20 MR. RAY: That will be a fairly lengthy  
21 meeting.

22 (Overlapping)

23 MR. RAY: My best guess, it'll probably be a  
24 couple hours, maybe two --

25 MS. MAZANEC: Four?



1 MR. RAY: -- to three hours.

2 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: So morning or afternoon,  
3 could be one or the other, maybe?

4 MS. FLORES: (Indiscernible).

5 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Afternoon?

6 MR. RAY: That would be --  
7 (Overlapping)

8 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: We start at 1:30, we'd be  
9 done by 5:00?

10 MR. RAY: Sure. We would -- we would  
11 definitely be done, you know, by -- by that time. It's  
12 just a matter of you folks and your calendar. I think we  
13 can work it out on our end.

14 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: How's -- all right, let me  
15 ask, the 19th of November at 1:30?

16 MS. FLORES: What day is that?

17 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: It's a Thursday.

18 MS. FLORES: That's?

19 MS. MAZANEC: It's the week before  
20 Thanksgiving.

21 MS. FLORES: Okay.

22 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Is that -- would that work  
23 for everyone?

24 (Overlapping)

25 MS. SHEFFEL: i can't get into my calendar



1 for some reason, but I'll check (indiscernible).

2 MR. RAY: You want to shoot for 1:30 on the  
3 19th?

4 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Let's tentatively do that  
5 and then on --

6 MR. RAY: Yeah.

7 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: -- depending on Dr.  
8 Scheffel's --

9 MR. RAY: And -- and that way we got a  
10 little time on -- on the 21st we'll finalize it, but just  
11 sort of check with whomever you have to check with on  
12 your schedule, but we'll put a TA, tentative on -- on  
13 that, a tentative agreement, so to speak on that, at  
14 1:30. And if for some reason the morning works better  
15 after you check, then we can move it, you know, then.

16 Now, we did -- we did say -- and I want you  
17 to look at your calendars again -- right after that, the  
18 first round of interviews, we talked about maybe being  
19 the week of the 30th, November 30th, that week. And then  
20 the second round would be the week of December 7th. And  
21 what I would like for you to do, because obviously we  
22 have to work with the folks that have applied and their  
23 schedules. But I'd like to have that week open.

24 But if -- if -- if you can, if you could  
25 give Bizy some of your better dates for that week of the



1 -- the week of the November 30th, what dates would be  
2 best for you, then if we got some accommodates, it would  
3 be a lot easier for me to work with the candidates ahead  
4 of time.

5 And the same thing on the week of December  
6 7th. If you could say what couple dates of that week  
7 would be the best, but I've asked you to keep them all  
8 open. But -- but what would work best. Because once in  
9 a while, you know, a candidate may not be able to make it  
10 on a couple of those dates because of a very good reason  
11 and -- and so I still want it fluid. But if we could  
12 nail -- nail down a couple good dates for that week of  
13 November 30th and for the week of December 7th. So you  
14 could look at your calendar and maybe we can discuss and  
15 try to finalize those dates in the near future.

16 MS. SCHROEDER: So only Monday and Tuesday  
17 work either one of those two weeks?

18 MS. BURDSALL: Yeah, because we have --

19 MS. SCHROEDER: (Indiscernible) conference  
20 and then the State Board meeting.

21 MS. BURDSALL: Correct.

22 MS. RANKIN: Oh, that is State Board  
23 meeting, Corona?

24 MS. BURDSALL: Yeah, the board meeting is  
25 scheduled for the 9th and 10.



1 MS. SCHROEDER: And the Casbee (ph)  
2 conference is the week before.

3 MS. BURDSALL: Is the week before? Okay.  
4 It's the -- it's the 3rd through 5th, or around there?

5 MS. SCHROEDER: Yeah. The -- the first item  
6 is Wednesday afternoon --

7 MS. BURDSALL: Okay.

8 MS. SCHROEDER: (Indiscernible)

9 MS. BURDSALL: So --

10 MS. SCHROEDER: Monday, Tuesday --

11 MS. BURDSALL: The 30th or the 1st --

12 MS. SCHROEDER: First two weeks.

13 MS. BURDSALL: And then the 7th or the 8th.

14 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: In theory, we may be able  
15 to vote part of the 9th or 10th, which is a board day.  
16 We might be able to devote --

17 MS. MAZANEC: Oh, good.

18 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: -- part of that day to --  
19 to this activity as well, so --

20 MS. MAZANEC: That's great.

21 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: So 7, 8, 9, or 10, right?  
22 Probably wouldn't want to take up all day, but if you had  
23 somebody that had to come in a little differently, we  
24 might be able to do that.

25 MR. RAY: Correct. You know, I -- I just --



1 I'm just wanting to constant remind you of keeping those  
2 dates. My years of experience have said to continue to  
3 remind you of that of trying to get everybody here.  
4 Because I realize you're coming in from a distance, some  
5 of you folks, and -- and it's -- you know, it's tough  
6 working with everybody's schedule.

7 So anyway, that's -- that's our plan right  
8 now. And then we're going to get out and start  
9 recruiting. We -- we feel very good about our -- our  
10 recruiting efforts right now. We've had some inquiries,  
11 but people keep telling -- asking me, well, what are they  
12 looking for? And we'll certainly get that nailed down  
13 here, you know, after these stakeholder meetings. And  
14 that's all I have to -- I have to report. I'll try to  
15 answer any questions you might have.

16 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Questions? All right.  
17 Oh, yes?

18 MS. FLORES: So if -- if it's there's  
19 someone on the website, someone is interested -- I mean,  
20 I'm -- I'm hearing about people who are interested. They  
21 can go to your website and --

22 (Overlapping)

23 MR. RAY: They'll go to ours, Ray &  
24 Associates.

25 MS. FLORES: (Indiscernible) they don't



1 know?

2 MR. RAY: Yeah.

3 MS. FLORES: Can they go to the -- to our  
4 website and see that our search firm is Ray & Associates  
5 and contact? Is that correct, Biz?

6 MS. BURDSALL: Sorry. I'm sorry.

7 MS. GOFF: Is Ray & Associates --

8 MS. FLORES: We have a website -- on our  
9 website, there is a place for the --

10 MS. BURDSALL: Yes.

11 MS. FLORES: -- for the superintendent, for  
12 the commissioner search, and it will refer somebody who's  
13 interested in applying to Ray & Associates?

14 MS. BURDSALL: To -- no -- no, all we have  
15 on our website right now is the survey and then the list  
16 of all the meeting times and locations.

17 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: I think what she's saying,  
18 if somebody goes to that and they want to apply, they --  
19 we want to refer them to --

20 (Overlapping)

21 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: -- to apply to Ray &  
22 Associates.

23 MS. FLORES: Could you add that?

24 MS. BURDSALL: So we'll add that, yeah.

25 MS. FLORES: Yeah, because I've been asked.





1 And --

2 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Yeah. Yeah.

3 MS. RANKIN: So for information at this  
4 point, we can -- they have their link, but we can direct  
5 them to what's able to be told right now? Because there  
6 is no application, actually, yet.

7 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Yeah.

8 MS. RANKIN: Somebody needs to be able to  
9 help people get basic information.

10 MS. FLORES: Yeah.

11 MS. MAZANEC: If they're interested. Yeah,  
12 because I was told somebody -- some -- that they don't  
13 see anything on your website yet.

14 MR. RAY: Pardon?

15 MS. MAZANEC: I -- somebody I know that was  
16 interested said that they haven't seen anything on your  
17 website yet about it. They're not looking?

18 MR. RAY: No, I -- right -- right now we're  
19 -- we -- I didn't want to put up the application or any  
20 information ahead of time, because I think that's getting  
21 a cart before the horse a little bit, because even some  
22 of the -- even some of the folks whose names have maybe  
23 been given to me, I -- you know, the first question  
24 they're going to ask, what are they looking for, and  
25 those kind of thing.



1 MS. MAZANEC: Right.

2 MR. RAY: And I -- I didn't want to be  
3 trying to tell people what characteristics and traits and  
4 what the challenges might be until we've gone through  
5 this phase.

6 MS. MAZANEC: Okay.

7 MR. RAY: And then it'll pop right up.

8 MS. MAZANEC: Okay.

9 MR. RAY: Yeah, it works out. But the word  
10 is out there. You know, you know, the word is out there.  
11 I can tell you that. It's out there. But at the same  
12 time, I -- I just think that we want to probably do it in  
13 proper sequence. Okay?

14 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Okay. All right, further  
15 questions? All right, thank you.

16 MR. RAY: Thank you very much.

17 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Appreciate it.

18 MR. RAY: And I'm sure we'll be talking in  
19 the future.

20 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Yeah, I suspect. I think  
21 I would just tell the Board too that realistically we're  
22 all going to have to be a little flexible with our  
23 calendars and that this is an important issue, and so to  
24 the extent that we ask you to make adjustments, I hope  
25 you'll accommodate it as much as possible. We'll also



1 ask for as few of those as possible.

2 Why don't we proceed out of order for public  
3 comment? Elizabeth, is there anybody who's signed up?  
4 Sincerely hope not.

5 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE: Yes. Thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Just kidding. Just  
7 kidding. It's a joke.

8 (Overlapping)

9 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: There are no kidders.  
10 Pull up my handy dandy timer.

11 MS. BURDSALL: Your wish has been granted.

12 MS. MAZANEC: Thank you so much.

13 MS. BURDSALL: We do not have anybody signed  
14 up.

15 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: No one signed up. Good.  
16 Then the public testimony is closed. Perfect. Let's  
17 then go back in order for Item 17, Revenue Reporting Per  
18 Recommendation -- Recommendation Per House Bill 14-1292.  
19 (Indiscernible).

20 MS. LEANNE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Good  
21 afternoon. We'll be very brief.

22 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Perfect.

23 MS. LEANNE: I think we have ten minutes  
24 budgeted. We're going to shoot for two, okay? So House  
25 Bill 14-1292, the School Success Act, required the



1 Financial Policies and Procedures Committee to prepare a  
2 recommendation to the State Board regarding any revisions  
3 to the standard statewide Chart of Accounts to encompass  
4 the reporting of revenues of all levels within the  
5 district. So Jennifer Oakes, the director of School  
6 Finance and Adam Williams, our financial data  
7 coordinator, are here to present the FPP, the Financial  
8 Policies and Procedures Committee recommendation. The  
9 outcome that we would like to ask of you all today is the  
10 acceptance of the recommendation.

11 MS. OAKES: Okay. My name is Jennifer  
12 Oakes, director of School Finance. So as Leanne  
13 mentioned, the Financial Policies and Procedures Advisory  
14 Committee, the FPP Committee, took this issue and spent  
15 quite a lot of time. We started with a sub-committee to  
16 -- to talk about this, discuss it, draft a -- draft a  
17 recommendation. We brought that to the full FPP  
18 Committee in February. Again, a lot of discussion about  
19 that. There are some clarity to -- to make sure that we  
20 fully vetted and fully explained the recommendation. And  
21 then the full FPP Committee adopted a recommendation in  
22 June to bring to you all. And that recommendation is  
23 that there should not be any change to the Chart of  
24 Accounts.

25 So the Chart of Accounts is the required



1 Chart of Accounts that all school districts must do in  
2 how they -- the buckets that they put their funding in,  
3 either the revenue buckets or the expenditure buckets.  
4 And so there are two revenue -- sources of revenue codes  
5 available currently for districts to use for gifts,  
6 contributions, and donations from private sources. One -  
7 - one of those is related to pupil activity funds and the  
8 other one is related to general school operations.

9 And so those codes exist. And so the  
10 recommendation is to make no changes. They think that  
11 districts have that flexibility, that when it's  
12 appropriate, that revenues can and are being coded  
13 directly to those school sites. In many cases, those  
14 revenues are coded at the district if it's, for example,  
15 a contribution or a donation that's made to the district  
16 for general purposes, those are coded to the general  
17 district. But if it's specific to a school, they're able  
18 to code that down to the school level now.

19 So the flexibility exists and so the  
20 recommendation for your consideration is to not change  
21 the Chart of Accounts, because it provides the  
22 flexibility for districts to appropriately reflect where  
23 those revenues should be allocated or should be  
24 associated with.

25 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Questions?



1 MS. SCHROEDER: Motion?

2 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Yes, motion would be  
3 great.

4 MS. SCHROEDER: I move to approve the  
5 recommendation of the Final Policies and Procedures  
6 Advisory Committee that no change should be made to the  
7 current Chart of Accounts for revenue reporting -- the  
8 existing Chart of Accounts already allows for the  
9 reporting of gifts, grants, and donations.

10 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Is there a second?

11 MS. GOFF: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: It's been moved and  
13 seconded to accept the recommendation. Is there an  
14 objection of that motion?

15 MS. FLORES: Discussion?

16 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Discussion? Any  
17 discussion? Yes, sure.

18 MS. SCHROEDER: Sorry. The intent of this  
19 was to help citizens be able to look at a school's budget  
20 and see the amount of money that's coming from outside  
21 the normal state and local amounts. Do we audit that at  
22 all?

23 MS. MAZANEC: You want to?

24 MS. OAKES: Yeah. So first, the districts  
25 have the annual financial statement audits by their



1 independent auditors. So that's audited through the  
2 normal to make sure that they have the proper, you know,  
3 internal control and it's materially stated accurately  
4 and all of that.

5 Those financial statements are reported to  
6 us, as well as the financial data through the data  
7 pipeline. And we do a review of those for all districts  
8 every year and all charter schools and make sure that  
9 they report to us is consistent with that audited  
10 financial statements. And, you know, if we see any  
11 discrepancies in, well, it's reported this way, but, you  
12 know, it should've been coded this way, we'll work with  
13 the districts to make sure they're coded. So  
14 (indiscernible).

15 MS. SCHROEDER: Okay. Because I think there  
16 was a reason for this legislation, which is that -- that  
17 members -- citizens couldn't figure out exactly how much  
18 money was at the -- at the school site. And so if that -  
19 - if that change has occurred, that's great. And I think  
20 I read that you're providing some guidelines to help  
21 districts get that correct? But I'm just curious whether  
22 you know --

23 MS. OAKES: Yeah.

24 MS. SCHROEDER: -- to what extent this  
25 really was a problem or not?



1 MS. LEANNE: So the original legislation had  
2 required districts to take the district allocated funds.  
3 So when we send out state share payments to districts,  
4 the original -- the original language would have required  
5 a district to allocate that chunk of money down to each  
6 individual --

7 MS. SCHROEDER: Okay.

8 MS. LEANNE: -- school site. The district  
9 said this would be a -- an extremely onerous process in  
10 order to do this, so the language was amended in order to  
11 develop -- to have the FPP Committee look at a  
12 recommendation to see if there would be a way to capture  
13 that revenue at the school site's level, which it already  
14 does.

15 So that's -- that was kind of the  
16 origination of the -- of the legislation. But then it  
17 was amended to be back down a little bit, so some of  
18 those big buckets of money were not (indiscernible).

19 MS. SCHROEDER: Well, because the -- the  
20 allocation is somewhat arbitrary.

21 MS. LEANNE: Correct.

22 MS. SCHROEDER: It doesn't --

23 MS. LEANNE: Yeah, (indiscernible).

24 (Overlapping)

25 MS. SCHROEDER: -- student -- go student by





1 student. Well, accountants find ways to do it, but --

2 MS. LEANNE: Oh, yeah, it could be done, but  
3 it wouldn't necessarily --

4 MS. SCHROEDER: It may -- it may not be very  
5 relevant.

6 MS. LEANNE: Right.

7 MS. SCHROEDER: It may not reflect.

8 MS. LEANNE: Exactly.

9 MS. SCHROEDER: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Further discussion?

11 Hearing none, is there objection to the passage of the  
12 motion? Seeing none, that motion is adopted by 7-0 vote.  
13 Thank you very much.

14 Now we are, let's see -- I think the only  
15 thing left is Board Member items and report. And I  
16 think, Jane, I noticed a very long item that you wanted  
17 to bring up. And I thought maybe we'd lay that over till  
18 tomorrow, maybe lay this whole issue (indiscernible).

19 MS. GOFF: Yeah, yes, (indiscernible).

20 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: -- board member reports  
21 over to tomorrow, because it appeared to require some  
22 decisions.

23 MS. GOFF: There could be some discussion.

24 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Yeah, that's what I  
25 thought.



1 (Overlapping)

2 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Okay.

3 (Overlapping)

4 MS. GOFF: And one -- one document  
5 (indiscernible), because then everything --

6 (Overlapping)

7 MS. GOFF: No, it's on an email that you  
8 each got.

9 MS. SHEFFEL: Early in the morning.

10 MS. GOFF: Very early. And it's just a --  
11 it's just a PDF attachment. I just combined everything  
12 that you need to look at on one document. So if you be  
13 able to just look at that this evening or before  
14 tomorrow. I'll tell you real quickly, there are two and  
15 a half decisions we need to make. One is among those of  
16 us who are going to the NASBE annual meeting, which --  
17 who can be designated -- who will be designated as our  
18 voting delegate? Each member state is entitled to one  
19 delegate vote. And that will be -- there will be -- the  
20 -- the voting delegate will have some decisions to make  
21 at the discretion of the Board, if direction is provided  
22 by us to that person.

23 One of those things is there is a contested  
24 race this time for president elect for 2016. There is a  
25 contested race for western region director. So that's



1 our 11 western states that are members of NASBE.

2 The biographical information on the four  
3 candidates total is in -- in your document attached to  
4 the email. And the other candidate highlight there is  
5 for the -- well, single gentleman -- single person -- who  
6 is --

7 MS. SHEFFEL: As opposed to (indiscernible).

8 MS. GOFF: I don't think he's single. I'm  
9 not sure. I'll find out -- who's running for secretary  
10 treasurer. We have a turnover this year of secretary  
11 treasurer. And every year a president elect is chosen.  
12 President becomes -- the president elect currently  
13 becomes president. That person becomes past president.  
14 I am on that final legs of my past president term. So  
15 after this next -- after December, I'll be completed with  
16 that part of it.

17 But Angelika is a western region candidate  
18 for the board of directors. And we will be making a  
19 recommendation to support or recommend one or the other  
20 candidates in the western region race. So if you'd look  
21 at the (indiscernible).

22 And then the other one decision that there's  
23 always an option to make, but I would -- I think it's a  
24 good idea for you to look at them and consider. Every  
25 year there are some proposed changes or newly -- newly



1 proposed public education positions. This is a NASBE  
2 committee full membership opportunity to be appointed to  
3 the committee. And there are two newly proposed sections  
4 or additions to current positions. One of them is on  
5 school funding and the other is on teacher equity. And  
6 both proposed language sections are on one page, so  
7 they're just a part of this as well.

8           So if you have a few minutes, look over  
9 candidates, look over the two proposed position changes.  
10 And we can talk about that tomorrow. And -- and  
11 designate whom of us that is attending the meeting will  
12 go as our voting delegate. I am signed up and ready to  
13 go. I think Angelika is also. It's is confirmed.

14           Well, I don't know if any of the rest of you  
15 have been able to do that yet. I will say this, that as  
16 an -- as a candidate, Angelika's basically ineligible to  
17 be the voter in her own -- in her own ways.

18           MS. SCHROEDER: Yeah.

19           MS. GOFF: So that leaves me. Happy to do  
20 it, but we can always talk about or we can designate  
21 (indiscernible). That's it for me.

22           CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Okay. All right, then  
23 last thing before we adjourn is just check your -- I've  
24 been thinking about the possibility of a retreat for the  
25 Board. I checked with (indiscernible) Foundation.



1 Penrose House is available on Saturday. I look for  
2 Saturdays, because the number of us work -- Saturday,  
3 November the 7th. So take a look at your calendars.  
4 We'll discuss some possibilities for that or --

5 MS. SHEFFEL: I already know the  
6 (indiscernible).

7 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: So never mind. Okay,  
8 well, we'll start the --

9 MS. SHEFFEL: (Indiscernible) my daughter's  
10 the next day. So I have a feeling I'll be busy  
11 (indiscernible).

12 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: You may have a little  
13 something to do. Okay.

14 MS. FLORES: And November 7th is the  
15 application.

16 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Not Saturday though. We  
17 won't be doing -- we won't be doing it on Saturday -- 6th  
18 -- May the -- no, 7th.

19 MS. GOFF: 7th is Saturday.

20 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: 7th.

21 MS. MAZANEC: 7th is a Saturday.

22 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: 7th is Saturday.

23 MS. FLORES: Yeah, and so that's the day the  
24 application -- or is it the 9th? I have the 7th.

25 MS. RANKIN: We won't be doing it.



1 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Yeah, we won't be doing  
2 anything, yeah.

3 MS. SCHROEDER: (Indiscernible). That's not  
4 us. (Indiscernible) will be doing that. That's not our  
5 --

6 (Overlapping)

7 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: Okay, so good. Let's call  
8 it a day.

9 (Overlapping)

10 CHAIRMAN DURHAM: We'll stand adjourned  
11 until 9:00 tomorrow morning. Thank you.

12 MS. FLORES: Thank you.

13 (Meeting adjourned)

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