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News Release

Jane Goff Will Be Sworn In Wednesday, March 5; Board Meeting Agendas for March 5, 6

Newly appointed State Board of Education member Jane Goff will be sworn in Wednesday, March 5 at 7:45 a.m. prior to the March monthly work session, beginning at 9 a.m. The event will be held in the lobby at the Colorado State Board of Education offices, 201 E. Colfax Ave. The public is welcome.

Goff was appointed by the Democratic vacancy committee in February to fill the remaining term of Karen Middleton, who resigned to take an open seat with the State House of Representatives. Goff will represent the 7th Congressional District and would stand for re-election, if she chooses, in November 2008.

Goff recently retired from a 34-year career with Jefferson County Schools. She taught middle school and high school French and Spanish until 2003, when she was appointed as the district's coordinator of world languages and international student exchange. She supervised the district's world language curriculum, directed the first-year language teachers' induction program, and approved the admission of foreign exchange students to Jefferson County high schools.

Agendas

The Colorado State Board of Education will hold its monthly meetings this week on Wednesday, March 5 and Thursday, March 6. Both meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m.

The March 5 meeting will be conducted in a work session format and the March 6 meeting will be a regular board meeting.

Following is an overview of the agendas:

Wednesday, March 5 – Work Session

- 9:00 a.m. – Welcome
- 9:05 a.m. – Executive session (legal advice)
- 9:35 a.m. – Reports from board chair, board members, state board office and communications office
- 10:15 a.m. – Reports on legislation
- 11:15 a.m. – Staff reports
 - The administration of accreditation rules
 - Recommended appointments to the Colorado Special Education Advisory Committee
- 11:45 a.m. – Executive session (legal advice)/lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – Staff reports
 - Prototype displays for Colorado's Longitudinal Growth Model
- 1:30 p.m. – Rulemaking hearing: longitudinal growth rules
- 2:15 p.m. – Staff reports
 - Report of findings and recommendations by WestEd
 - Report on budget
 - Briefing on educator licensing disciplinary actions
 - Rules for the administration of the supplemental online education grants
 - Rules for the administration of online programs
- 3:30 p.m. – Issues and trends
- 5:00 p.m. – Adjourn

Thursday, Feb. 14 – Regular Board Meeting

- Call to order, approval of agenda, opportunity for consent agenda
- Communications

Report – Commissioner Jones

- Recognition of the 2007-2008 Title I Distinguished Teacher and Principal
 - Title I Distinguished Teacher – Bonnie Staack, Denver Public Schools
 - Title I Distinguished Principal – Paul Urioste, Greeley-Evans School District 6

Action Items – Learning and Results

- Approval of emergency and permanent rules for the administration of the Supplemental Online Education Grant
- Approval of notice of rulemaking for permanent Supplemental Online Education Grant rules
- Approval of emergency and permanent rules for the administration of Online Programs
- Adoption of emergency rules on Longitudinal Growth Model

Action Items – Professional Services

- Approval of initial emergency authorizations
- Approval of renewal emergency authorizations
- Disciplinary proceedings
- Approval of induction program from Brighton School District 27J, Diocese of Pueblo and Miami-Yoder School District
- Appeals from Administrative Law Judge Initial Decisions

Action Items – Management, Budget & Planning

- Contingency reserve loan for Adams County School District
- Request approval of amendments to rules for budget law
- Request approval of amendments to rules for accounting and reporting
- Public school “Facilities and Safety Priorities” for guidance with capitol construction grants

Action Items – Legislation

- Legislative matters and vote on specific bills

Information Only

Opportunity for citizens to address the board

Future business

Adjournment

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