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News Release

Next Meeting of Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board is Monday, Dec. 8

The next meeting of the Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board will be held Monday, Dec. 8 via teleconference from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Members of the public can attend the meeting at the State Services Building, 1525 Sherman St., room B-70.

The meeting agenda includes:

- Approve minutes from the Nov. 19, 2008 meeting
- Director's report—provide background information on an emergency grant application for financial assistance to Silverton School District 1
- BEST Emergency Grants
 - Staff recommends the assistance board make a recommendation to the state board to allow the award of a \$99,440 emergency grant to Silverton School District 1 for a temporary boiler to heat the district's facilities during winter 2008-2009.
 - Staff also recommends the division be authorized to make an award of an emergency grant to Silverton 1 contingent upon state board approval of a grant.
- Select meeting date for a public hearing pertaining to BEST rules

The BEST legislation increases the level of financial assistance provided to school districts, charter schools, institute charter schools, the Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind, and Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for capital construction projects, particularly in those school districts that can't afford to meet their own needs.

The function of the Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board is to protect the health and safety of persons using public school facilities and to maximize student achievement by ensuring public school facilities provide a safe and un-crowded environment that is conducive to student learning.

For more information on the Capital Construction Assistance Board and to read board minutes, visit

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/CapConstCCAB.htm>

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