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News Release

***Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board
Will Hold Next Meeting Tuesday, Feb. 16***

The next meeting of the Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board (CCAB) is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 16 in Denver.

The meeting will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB), Longs Peak Board Room, 1200 Grant St. in Denver.

The meeting agenda includes:

- Call to order;
- Roll call;
- Approve agenda;
- Approve minutes from prior meetings;
- Update on lottery proceeds;
- Reminder regarding reappointments for assistance board members;
- Discuss the release of the statewide facility assessment report;
- Discuss the method for ranking grant applications;

- Discuss the elimination of the requirement for a minimum contribution to a Capital Reserve Fund and how this may impact Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST);
- Discuss charter school applicants providing the minimum required match;
- Discuss future BEST lease-purchase projects and allowing a project to begin before the financing is complete;
- Discuss district “carry forward” fund balances in relation to future emergency grants;
- Review CCAB policy pertaining to BEST security camera grant applications;
- Review CCAB policy pertaining to BEST roofing grant applications;
- Master Plan grants;
- Set a future meeting date;
- The next two meetings are scheduled for June 29 and 30 to review and recommend BEST grant projects;
- Public comment;
- Adjournment.

For more information on the rulemaking hearings, contact Ted Hughes, director of division of public school capital construction assistance at 303-866-6948.

About BEST

The BEST legislation increases the level of financial assistance provided to school districts, charter schools 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/CapConstmain.htm>

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