

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, RE-1
DIRECTING SUPERINTENDENT TO PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF THE
“BLACK” BUDGET
AND
TO INVESTIGATE AND
MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING A BOND AND/OR MILL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Douglas County School District has a strong tradition of innovation, excellence, and economic efficiency, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education supports the District’s Strategic Plan with its foundation of commitments to students, parents, employees and the community, and

WHEREAS, the District is planning for 2011 budget reductions to K-12 Education in Colorado, developing two budget scenarios to address the projected \$25 Million District reduction: The worst case, “Blue” budget, which would, among other things, significantly reduce student-based budgets by \$13 Million, cut capital spending, impose four contract reduction days and reduce employee benefits; and the “Black” budget, which would, among other things, use \$14 Million in reserve funds to hold the 2011 student-based budget reduction to \$ 2.5 Million, and

WHEREAS, Douglas County School District’s traditions, superior school facilities, programs and employees and community support have resulted in a well-deserved reputation for educational excellence, making the District a magnet for economic growth and opportunity for Douglas County’s community, students, families, and employees, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes that strategic investments in its school facilities, technologies, programs and employees will enhance the District as the valuable asset it is to Douglas County, increasing local property values, and attracting families and business to the area.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education directs the Superintendent to proceed with development of the “Black” budget scenario as being in the best interest of the students, parents, employees and community, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by the first meeting of the Board of Education in May, 2011, (currently scheduled May 3) the Superintendent shall make recommendations for the use of possible Bond and Mill Levy funds that will most efficiently enhance the District’s schools as the community assets that they are, most effectively support the

District's Strategic Plan, and fulfill the District's commitments to its students, parents, employees and community, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent shall report her findings and make recommendations to the Board of Education to consider before making a decision on whether to place Bond and/or Mill Levy questions on the ballot in November, 2011

APPROVED this 9th day of March, 2011, by a vote of 7-0



President, Board of Education

ATTEST: 
