

**COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL EXECUTIVES
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS OFFICIALS MEETING
CASE OFFICE, ENGLEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

October 3, 2008

ATTENDANCE

Sandy Freidenberger	Velva Addington
Stephanie Watson	Doug Moss
Shelley Becker	Don Trujillo
Martha Baldwin	

The meeting was called to order at 10:07am by Sandy Freidenberger, President of DBO.

Roll call was taken via signature.

The agenda for the October 3rd meeting was reviewed. A motion was made by Velva Addington and seconded by Stephanie Watson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed and the agenda was approved.

Bruce Caughey gave the board an update on current legislative activity. CASE endorsed 62 candidates for the November elections. No money was given to these candidates, just the endorsement. CASE also endorsed a number of initiatives that will be on the November ballot (#59 – SAFE, #58 – reduction of oil and gas subsidy, #50 – gambling taxes to go to community colleges, and REF O – process for amending the state constitution). CASE is opposing initiative #46 (civil rights). Bruce reminded the group that the recent freeze on spending implemented by Governor Ritter will affect CAP4K funding. In addition, Bruce shared with the group some other tasks being taken on right now, such as the school finance act study and the Augenblick study. The group was told that the Lowry development project is currently on hold because of some water rights issues. Of note is that CSAFE has temporarily placed a maximum daily withdraw of funds, so some districts are running into cash flow issues. Bruce suggested that these districts talk directly with the State Treasurer to see if an emergency interest-free loan can be obtained if payables and payroll will be affected.

Sandy Freidenberger stated that Glenn Gustafson and Guy Bellville are DBO's representatives at the legislative council meetings. They have been so for many years. **Sandy will ask Bruce when and how often the meetings are held so that others that might be interested in being representatives for DBO can participate. She will also ask the representatives to submit a report back to DBO after each meeting they attend.**

The group discussed a prior suggestion of acknowledging Vody Herrmann at the 2009 Nuts & Bolts conference for all of her contributions to school finance. **DBO will plan on presenting Vody a trophy or plaque at the conference.** (Suggestions made were naming her an “unsung hero” or presenting her some boxing gloves to represent her “fight for us”.)

A reminder was given that the new deadlines for the readopted budget and the new CDE budget submission are both January 31st of each year. This was discussed at the most recent FPP meeting and confirmed by Vody Herrmann.

The group discussed possible topics for the 2009 Nuts & Bolts Conference (see attached list). The tasks that need to be accomplished by or at the November meeting are as follows:

- **Determine topics and relevant speakers**
- **Entertainment for lunch (suggestion made – Tim Guard)**
- **Solicit sponsors for breaks and happy hour**

Consent items were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Stephanie Watson and seconded by Velva Addington to approve consent items as presented. The motion passed.

The declining membership in DBO was discussed. CASE supplied DBO with a list of prospective members. **Each board member will try to contact by phone a few of the prospective members to see if they can be convinced to join CASE and DBO.** CASE is also sending out letters and emails to all of the prospective members as well. A motion was made by Velva Addington and seconded by Martha Baldwin to **give away two CASE memberships and one CASE summer conference fee to randomly selected prospective members (a prospective member is limited to people that have never been members of CASE before) that attend the DBO Nuts & Bolts Conference in January 2009.** The motion passed.

Doug Moss was nominated by DBO members to fill the vacant director position. A motion was made by Shelley Becker and seconded by Stephanie Watson to accept Doug Moss on the DBO board. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34pm.