

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING held Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. at Three Peaks Elementary and in the school board room in the district office building.

Board President Michelle Jorgenson conducted the meeting.

The following Board Members were present to begin the meeting: President Michelle Jorgenson, Harold Haynie, Becki Bronson, Shane Adams, and Stephen Allen. Also present were Shannon Dulaney, Superintendent; Kent Peterson, Business Administrator; Steve Burton, Kevin Garrett, Jennifer Wood, and Christy Douglas.

The board meeting began at 12:00 p.m. at Three Peaks Elementary School. Board members and administrators enjoyed school lunch with students in the school cafeteria and followed with a tour of Three Peaks Elementary.

The Board completed the tour and began the work meeting at 1:32 p.m. The following items were discussed:

- President Jorgenson distributed certificates from USBA for the Master Boards Award.
- Committee Assignment Reports:
 - SWATC will report in the regular meeting today.
- Math program report - Jet Warr distributed information regarding SAGE test results. The district has just completed the SAGE interim testing. There were some technology kinks that were able to be worked out with taking the SAGE interim test. Several problems were solved. This will help with the testing in May. The interim test is taken mid-year in January, but the test covers the entire year of material. Iron District is on track or ahead of where they were last year. The results also show that the district is on the trend of improvement. It was discussed that the core has been put together with a lot of thought. Many concepts from the core build on each other from year to year. Math teachers in the district have met regarding the summer mathematics remediation program. They will meet again to continue discussions as to how to identify which students may benefit from this program. The USTAR grant will fund the program but does only fund a portion of the teacher preparation. Is there an option for additional pay for the time in development of curriculum and preparation for this program? A proposal for payment of the prep time will be drawn up and brought to the Board for discussion. The Board expressed that math is a one of the highest priorities of the Board, and they encourage a plan that includes continued reporting to the Board.
- The Career Fair was held on December 18, 2014. Juniors and Seniors from the district high schools were invited to attend. This year there were several seniors who did not attend because they attended the career fair last year. A survey was completed and the consensus was that only Juniors will attend next year. There will be a few small adjustments made to make the fair even better.

- The Attorney General's office has recommended that the Board hold their meetings at one location. The Board has been going out to the schools for the work meeting and then returning to the district office for the regular meeting. It was discussed to hold the work and regular meetings at the district office. The Board expressed the desire to continue with lunch and a tour at the school prior to the scheduled work meeting. Mr. Haynie suggested to begin the work meeting at the same time every month. When the school visit is scheduled for Escalante Valley Elementary, Parowan Elementary, or Parowan High School all meetings will be held at the school location.
- The Board discussed SB29 that is being sponsored by Senator Vickers. The Board would like to discuss this bill with Senator Vickers. It was recommended to have all board members individually call him and discuss the concerns.
- The Board discussed the meeting agenda for school board meetings. It was suggested to make notification on the agenda and the district's webpage to identify that the public is invited to ALL meetings. It should also be noted on the website that public input time is available during the regular meeting.
- Mr. Haynie discussed that as part of public relations he feels that the district should always be available with open minds and listening ears to deal with parent/student concerns. Concerns should be resolved as early as possible with the parent, student, teacher and administrator if needed. When the Board receives concerns/complaints they should refer the individual to discuss issues at the school level. It was suggested that principals also follow-up on concerns and report back to the parent. Responsiveness is very important. The Board expressed their willingness to support school administration and teachers if they are following this process to take care of concerns.
- In response to an email from a district teacher, the Board would like to recognize Clair and Suzanne Morris for their support of Iron County School District. The Board will recognize them at the next scheduled board meeting.
- Mr. Adams led a review discussion of the following district policies: BG (Communications to and From the Board of Education), DB (Annual Budget), DBA (Budgeting System), DBB (Fiscal Year), and DBBA (Budget Legal Requirements).

At 3:32 p.m. the Board adjourned the work meeting to travel to the district office to hold the regular portion of the board meeting.

The regular board meeting began at 4:01 p.m. in the district office board room.

President Michelle Jorgenson conducted the meeting.

Becky Loescher offered a thought. Carmen Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Margaret Miller administered the Oath of Office to reelected board members Becki Bronson and Harold Haynie.

Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 were approved on a motion made by Mr. Haynie, seconded by Mr. Adams, and passed unanimously by the board members.

Mrs. Bronson moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and the board members passed it unanimously.

Principal Paula Burgoyne recognized Crystal Hopkins as an outstanding employee at Three Peaks Elementary. Crystal has been at Three Peaks since it opened. She cares about the needs of others around her, and she is always willing to help whenever needed. Crystal expressed her love for her job and shared that she loves working with the students at Three Peaks Elementary.

Principal Paula Burgoyne also recognized Becky Loescher as the PTA volunteer from Three Peaks Elementary. Becky is currently serving as the PTA President at Three Peaks Elementary.

Principal Paula Burgoyne presented the school report for this month. The Science Ambassadors from Three Peaks Elementary highlighted their fun program. These ambassadors work with the students in grades 3 and younger. They use manipulatives to help students better understand concepts of science. The school choir performed a couple of pieces, and Principal Burgoyne shared a year of pictures to highlight the wonderful things that are taking place at Three Peaks Elementary.

The board meeting time was next made available for public input to address items not already listed on the published agenda. No additional public input was received.

Derek Morton presented to the Board on coding and 3D printing. There is a group of individuals that have worked together for the last couple of years to bring the coding business to Cedar City. There is a demand for students to learn and want to know how to work with coding. Mrs. Bronson mentioned that the district is focusing on College and Career Readiness and this concept with technology is something important for the future of our students.

Brennan Wood and Neil Smith gave a report on the SWATC. They presented a powerpoint presentation that included updates on the construction project and highlighted the fundraising and marketing efforts. It was mentioned that for every one job requiring a masters degree, there are two jobs requiring a bachelor's degree, and seven jobs that require a one or two year certificate. 87% of SWATC graduates will receive a job in their field of study.

The Attorney General's office has recommended that the Board hold their work and regular meetings at the same location so that all meetings are accessible to the public. The Board expressed their desire to continue with lunch and a tour at the school and then move to the

district office to hold the work and regular meeting. It was suggested to continue to visit the schools on a regular basis and coordinate the meeting schedule to be at the district office for the start time of the scheduled work meeting. When a school visit is scheduled for Escalante Valley Elementary, Parowan Elementary, or Parowan High School all meetings will be held at the school location. Mr Haynie made the motion to continue with the school visits and then travel to the district office for the work and regular meeting. The work meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. All meetings will be held at the school location when visits are scheduled to Escalante Valley Elementary, Parowan Elementary, and Parowan High School. Mrs. Bronson seconded the motion and the board members passed it unanimously.

Board members gave brief reports and shared highlights on the recent USBA Conference they attended earlier in January.

The following policies were presented for a first reading: E? (Integrated Pest Management), JECA (Foreign Exchange Students - J-1 Visa), JECA-E1 (Foreign Exchange Students Sworn Affidavit of Assurances), JECB (Attendance of Non-Resident or Foreign Exchange Students), and JFCB-E (ICSD Extra-Curricular Activities Contract).

The following policies were presented for a second reading: AC (Nondiscrimination), AE (Strategic Plan), and DIE (Audits). Mr. Allen moved to approved policies AE and DIE and have them added to the policy handbook. Mr. Haynie seconded the motion and the board members passed it unanimously. Changes will be made to policy AC and it will be brought back for a second reading in February.

On a motion made by Mr. Haynie and seconded by Mr. Allen the board meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

At 6:23 p.m. Mrs. Jorgenson moved to have the Board enter into a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of one or more individuals employed in the District. Mrs. Bronson seconded the motion. By voice vote the board members voted as follows:

Mr. Haynie - Yes
Mr. Allen - Yes
Mr. Adams - Yes
President Jorgenson - Yes
Mrs. Bronson - Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

The following persons were present for the closed session: Harold Haynie, Stephen Allen, Shane Adams, Michelle Jorgensen, Becki Bronson, Shannon Dulaney, and Kent Peterson.

The purpose of the closed session was to discuss personnel.

At 7:08 p.m. Mr. Haynie moved to have the Board meet again in open public session. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and the board members passed it unanimously.

On a motion made by Mr. Adams and seconded by Mr. Haynie, the board meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.


President


Business Administrator

