

**SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

April 21, 2016

Boulder Elementary School, 50 School House Lane, Boulder, Utah 84716

Board members present: President Ken Platt, Vice President Cheryl Cox, Melaney Draper, Mike Savage, and Myron Cottam.

Superintendent Ben Dalton and Business Administrator Patty Murphy were present.

**BOARD MEETING**

**1. Open Meeting**

**Welcome**

Ken Platt opened the meeting at 3:00 pm and extended a welcome to all who were present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Cheryl Cox led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. Consent Agenda Items**

**A. Approve March 2016 Financial Reports**

The March 2016 Financial Reports were reviewed.

**B. Approve March 2016 School Board Meeting Minutes**

The March 2016 school board minutes were e-mailed for approval.

The March school board work meeting was held on March 17<sup>th</sup> as well.

**C. Approve Hiring Recommendations**

AES – Robin Gibbs, Substitute Teacher

BVES – Amy Fagergren, PE para professional

PHS – Jason Henrie, Math/Science Teacher

**D. Letters of Resignation**

BVES – Bailey Dalton, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

PMS – Miriam Nelson, Para Professional

**E. Letter of Recognition**

None.

**F. Home School Affidavit**

One home school affidavit submitted.

Melaney Draper made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda pending background checks. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Melaney Draper, Mike Savage, and Myron Cottam voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

### **3. Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

### **4. Reports**

#### **A. School Board Report**

Mike Savage attended UHSAA. They approved 6 classifications. They added another classification for golf. Garfield School District plays golf in the spring; the 2A plays in the fall. There are 17 private schools in 1A.

Ken Platt had nothing to report.

Cheryl Cox attended a Region Board Meeting.

Myron Cottam attended a Region Meeting and Sterling Scholar Awards Program.

Melaney Draper attended a Regional meeting.

#### **B. Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Ben Dalton thanked Boulder Elementary for welcoming them to the school.

#### **C. Legislative Update**

Superintendent Ben Dalton reported that 252 million dollars was added in new funding. There were 163 bills that were introduced, only 91 passed. House Bill 217 added an additional \$500,000 to the small schools fund.

#### **D. Workforce Services IGP Report**

DWS released Utah's Fourth Annual report on intergenerational poverty, welfare dependency, and the use of public assistance for 2015. Utah students are not taking advantage of the resources available. Extended day kindergarten is not provided in every elementary school; however, GCSD provides this resource to their students.

#### **E. Feasibility Study Update**

The Feasibility Study report is expected next week. VCBO visited all of the elementary schools in the district.

**F. BTS Application Update**

Superintendent Dalton attended a grant training workshop and applied for an art grant.

**G. Proposed Changes to Teacher and Admin License Survey**

The goal of these changes is to transform educator licensure to develop and support learner and school ready educators and support multiple professional career pathways.

**H. Changes to Secondary Math Core**

Teachers are aware of these changes.

**I. USOE Adopts Revised Elementary Math, Fine Arts Standards, Delays Social Studies**

Secondary Social Science stayed the same. It is not uncommon for the state office to change curriculum every 3-5 years.

**J. Safe Utah App Launched In the GCSD**

Counselors and principals will be introducing this app to the students. The app allows students to have 24 hour access to a crisis hotline with a licensed professional. Anonymous texts can also be texted to the hotline to be investigated by the school district.

**K. New Graduation Requirements for Science and Computers**

Utah currently requires students to complete a half-year credit of computer technology sometime between 9th and 12th grades. Following a review of the Board's Digital Literacy report, the Board voted to require districts and charter schools to move that course requirement to eighth grade by no later than fiscal year 2019. The current 0.5 Educational Technology credit in the 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade will also remain, it is now Digital Studies.

**5. Board Action Items**

**A. School Land Trust Plan Approval**

School trust plans were discussed.

Melaney Draper made a motion to approve the School Trust Land plans. Mike Savage seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Yes. The motion passed 5-0.

**B. SWATC Fee Schedule**

The fees will remain unchanged from the current year.

Cheryl Cox made a motion to accept the SWATC Fee Schedule. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Yes. The motion passed 5-0.

**C. National FCCLA Funding Request**

Ten Students from Panguitch High School will be going to a Competition in San Diego.

Melaney Draper made a motion to approve the funding request of \$500 per student to attend the National FCCLA competition. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Yes. The motion passed 5-0.

**D. Governor's Honor Academy Request**

A student has been invited to attend the Governor's Honor academy.

Cheryl Cox made a motion to approve \$500 for a student to attend the Governor's Honor Academy. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

**E. Panguitch City Request for Baseball Field Updates**

Panguitch City requested \$10,000 for updates to the baseball field including soil and sod. Superintendent Ben Dalton indicated that Tropic City would be requesting funds as well. The Panguitch High School water bill was discussed.

Myron Cottam made a motion to approve up to \$10,000 for the updates to the baseball complex in Panguitch City. Melaney Draper seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

**F. Career Status and Level II Recommendations**

Principal Brinkerhoff recommended the following:

Mr. Fred Beesley, BVHS, Level II teaching license and career status in the Garfield County School District.

Mrs. Lacey Jensen as a career employee in the Garfield County School District.

Melaney Draper made a motion to approve Career Status and Level II for Mr. Fred Beesley and Career Status for Mrs. Lacey Jensen. Cheryl Cox seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

**G. GCSD Camps and Clinics Financial Summary/School Sponsored Activities**

Panguitch High School Boys Basketball is requesting a school/district sponsorship for summer camps in St. George and Manti.

Mike Savage made a motion to approve the Panguitch High School Boys Basketball summer camps in St. George and Manti as school sponsored activities with the understanding that each team will pay the fuel expense. Melaney Draper seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

**6. Board Business**

**A. Set Next Month's Meeting**

Next month's school board meeting will be May 19, 2016 in Escalante. The work meeting will be held May 17, 2016 at 4:00 pm in Panguitch with an option to connect IVC.

**B. Future Board Items**

Future board items were discussed.

**C. Budget Committee Meeting Date**

The Budget Committee meeting will be held April 29<sup>th</sup> at noon at the District Office in Panguitch

**D. Schedule a date for the UEPC Stakeholder Input Report**

The UEPC Stakeholder report will be presented July 21<sup>st</sup> Board/Retreat meeting at 9:30 a.m. in Escalante.

**E. HB 201 and GCSD Policies**

Superintendent Dalton has been working with the school district attorney on the best way to incorporate HB 201 into Garfield County School district policies.

**7. Public Comments**

Elizabeth Julian asked for clarification on legislative updates discussed earlier in the meeting.

**8. Executive Session**

- A. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Strategy session to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property. Strategy session to discuss collective bargaining.

Cheryl Cox made a motion to go into an Executive Session for Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Strategy session to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property. Strategy session to discuss collective bargaining. Mike Savage seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Mike Savage made a motion to come out of the Executive Session. Cheryl Cox seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Melaney Draper, Mike Savage, and Myron Cottam voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

**10. Adjournment**

Mike Savage made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Melanie Draper seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Melaney Draper, Mike Savage and Myron Cottam voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

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