

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thursday, May 29, 2014
Boulder Elementary School

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

Superintendent Ben Dalton and Business Administrator Kevin Orton were present.

BOARD MEETING

1. Call Meeting to Order

Board President Ken Platt called the meeting to order.

Executive Session

Melaney Draper made a motion to go into an executive session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation and discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

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

Welcome

Board President Ken Platt extended a welcome to all who were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Cheryl Cox led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Goals

The Board worked on goal number six which includes fiscal responsibility and transparency. The Board noted that school reporting is improved in this area also. They also discussed the Procurement Trainings that are now mandatory with in the District to comply with State law.

3. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approve April 2014 Board Meeting Minutes**
- B. Approve April 2014 Financial Reports**
- C. Approve Hiring Recommendations**
- D. Letters of Resignation**

Cheryl Cox had a concern of why all of the hiring recommendations from Escalante High were interviewed by the same committee and that there was only one applicant for each position. Myron Cottam also expressed concern for the hiring recommendations also. Superintendent reminded the Board that with upcoming camps and events that the other schools should have their hires approved. The Board will discuss the EHS hiring recommendations and make a decision at the next Board meeting in two weeks.

Cheryl Cox made a motion to approve all of the hiring recommendations except for the Escalante High School. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Mike Savage, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

Melaney Draper made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the stipulation that each applicant pass their background check. Mike Savage 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.

4. Public Comment

Keith Fullmer and Mike Nelson commented at this time about their concern regarding Head Teacher Cindy Sanchez leaving. They support her and the school. The Board assured them that she was offered a contract for the next school year.

5. Reports

A. Board Reports

Mike Savage reported that the Board attended the graduations in the District and that they all went well. There were four commencements including the jail.

Cheryl Cox had no report at this time.

Ken Platt had no report at this time.

Melaney Draper had no report at this time.

Myron Cottam had no report at this time.

B. Superintendent's Report

1. SWATC Fee Schedule

A copy of the SWATC Fee Schedule was included on Board Docs. The fees will remain the same for the upcoming school year. The fee structure was developed with input from high school counselors and administrators and seems to be working well. Southwest ATC has a tremendous working relationship with the local high school and the school district. Together, they are able to provide valuable career exploration and preparatory programs to many students.

2. Beverley Taylor Sorenson Information

The following schools in Garfield School District have been approved for participation in the Beverley Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program for the 2014-2015 school year. The amount for each grant is also listed.

Bryce Valley	Garfield	\$17,420
Escalante	Garfield	\$17,420
Panguitch	Garfield	\$17,420

3. K12 Garfield Online High School Update

The end-of-year statistics for the online Aventa courses were included on Board Docs. Each high schools information was given and the courses that were taken by students at each school. Superintendent stated that this year a para has been over the program which started with 19.5 hours per week and by the end of the year the para was working up to 28 hours per week. He would like the position to become a half-time teacher position for the next school year.

C. Board Action Items

1. SY 2014-2015 Fee Schedule

Superintendent Dalton recommended reducing the "sports participation" fee from \$50 to \$25 with maximum of \$75 per student. He also recommended the "cheerleading participation" fee should be reduced to \$25. The "Ednet fee" has been removed from the fee schedule. He also recommended changing the wording in the "class change fee" from (non SEOP driven changes) to (For class changes made two weeks after the beginning of the quarter). He also recommended increasing the Drivers Education fee from \$100 to \$150 and the non-enrolled student from \$200 to \$250.

Melaney Draper made a motion to adopt the SY 2014-2015 Fee Schedule with the recommendations from Superintendent Dalton. Cheryl Cox seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. Ken Platt and Mike Savage voted Nay. The motion passed 3-2.

2. Trust Land Plans

A copy of each of the schools Trust Land Plans were included on Board Docs. The plans have been approved by the community councils at each location and then brought to the Board to be approved.

Myron Cottam made a motion to table the approval of the Trust Land Plans until the June 12, 2104 Board meeting to give the Board more time to read through each plan and discuss at the next Board work meeting. Melaney Draper seconded the motion. Cheryl Cox stated that she would like a Board member to be present at each locations meeting when the community councils approve their Trust Land plans. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Myron Cottam, Melaney Draper, and Mike Savage voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

3. Summer Camps and Clinics

A copy of several camps and clinics were attached to Board Docs. For each trip, the organizations will pay for the fuel and the District will provide the insurance and vehicle to get the teams to their events.

Cheryl Cox made a motion to accept the fees and recognize the events as a school sponsored event. Melaney Draper seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

4. 150 Mile Contest Approval

A request from Panguitch High Baseball was attached to Board Docs.

Myron Cottam made a motion to approve the 150 mile contest request for Panguitch High Baseball. Mike Savage seconded the motion. A voted was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

5. SY 14-15 Baseball & Cross Country Schedules

A copy of Panguitch High and Bryce Valley High Schools baseball schedule was included on Board Docs. A cross country schedule was also attached. This schedule is a District schedule with all schools having the same events.

Melaney Draper made a motion to approve the schedules that were presented. Myron Cottam seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

6. FY15 Bus Purchase

The purchase of a new bus has been planned into the FY15 Budget. If the bus is ordered now it will arrive in November. Myron Cottam made a motion to approve the bus purchase for \$126,551. Cheryl Cox seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

7. Track Doctor RFP Recommendation

A copy of the RFP was included on Board Docs. Only one bid was received. The Track Doctor did previous work at the Panguitch High track.

Myron Cottam made a motion to award the track RFP to Track Doctor. Mike Savage seconded the motion. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

8. Asbestos Proposal Recommendation

The District only received one bid for the RFP. Damon Brinkerhoff emailed the request to five different companies asking them to provide the District with a bid.

Mike Savage made a motion to award the Asbestos RFP to R&R Environmental. Cheryl Cox seconded the motion. A vote was called for. Ken Platt, Cheryl Cox, Mike Savage, Myron Cottam, and Melaney Draper all voted Aye. The motion passed 5-0.

D. Board Discussion Items

1. Early Retirement Incentive

Only one District employee has applied for the Early Retirement Incentive. The deadline is May 30, 2014. The Board requested that Superintendent notify them if any other employees apply for the incentive by the deadline.

2. Update on Progress of Procurement Training

A copy of each of the trainings listed by school and those employees who have and have not completed the trainings was included on Board Docs. The Superintendent said he felt that progress is being made on the trainings and that employees are glad to have the information.

3. Board Training on School Land Trust Program

The Board will receive the training on the School Land Trust program during the next Board work meeting.

4. Policy CEB – District Emergency Response Plan

A copy of the Garfield School District policy was included on Board Docs. This policy will be up for adoption in the July Board meeting.

5. Boulder Elementary School Library Grant

Cindy Sanchez reported that Boulder Elementary is the lucky recipient of a Libri Foundation grant. The Libri Foundation provides grants to libraries and schools around the United States. The main purpose of this grant is to provide books to those libraries in need of them. The grant was \$2000.00 and they were able to purchase over 100 new hard bound books. They are grateful to have been a part of this grant. They were in desperate need of new books for their library and this grant came to the rescue. They want to thank all of those who donate to this grant and make it possible for schools and libraries to receive new books. THANK YOU FROM BOULDER ELEMENTARY!

6. USOE Grant Award to IDEA

Superintendent Dalton explained that the District actively goes after grants that are available. Although this grant is a small amount, \$1,704, it will benefit the programs in the District.

7. Escalante Elementary Capital Project

The District is waiting for an additional bid on the concrete for the Escalante Elementary for the pick-up and drop-off area. The community council would like to close the street during school hours. A map of the suggestions was included on Board Docs.

8. Utah State Board of Education Graduation Requirement Proposal

A draft of the proposed graduation requirements was included on Board Docs.

9. School Improvement Plans from 2014 Survey

Each school created school improvements plans based on the information given in the surveys that parents, students, and staff completed. The Superintendent would like the public to know that something did happen from the results of the survey.

8. Board Business

A. Set June 2014 School Board Meeting

The date of the June Board meeting will be June 12, 2014 and will begin at 5:00PM. The meeting will be held at Escalante High School. A Board work meeting will be held June 10, 2014 at 4:00PM. The meeting will be held at the District Office and electronically.

B. Future Board Items

The June meeting will include a motion for opening the Budget for FY14 and FY15. Also the Board would like to address Board compensation.

9. Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

10. Adjournment

Myron Cottam made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 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.

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