

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

Thursday, June 14, 2012  
Bryce Valley High School

Board members present: Board President Ken Platt, Vice President Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead.

Superintendent Ben Dalton and Business Administrator Lark Reynolds were also present.

**BOARD MEETING**

**Call Meeting to Order**

Board President Ken Platt called the meeting to order. No public members were present at the 4:30 start time. Ken Platt explained that an executive closed meeting was necessary at this time. Kay Englestead then proposed a motion to move into an executive closed meeting to discuss the character and competence of an individual(s) and also to discuss pending litigation. This motion was seconded by Cheryl Cox and a roll call vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Following the closed meeting, Cheryl Cox proposed a motion to come out of executive closed meeting into an open meeting. This motion was seconded by Kay Englestead and a vote was then called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**Welcome**

Board President Ken Platt extended a welcome to all who were present at the 5:00PM start time of the open meeting.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Ken Platt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda Changes**

There were no agenda changes.

**1. Consent Agenda Items**

- A.** Approve May 2012 Board Meeting Minutes
- B.** Approve May 2012 Financial Reports

- C. Item Specific Budget Changes – None for this meeting.
- D. Approve Hiring Recommendations
  - i. Activity Bus Drivers: Crystal Wilmer, Lloyd Brinkerhoff, and Gary Leach.
  - ii. Kim Harland – Assistant Panguitch High School Volleyball Coach
  - iii. Trevor Pierson – Summer Tech Assistant
- E. Letter of Resignation
  - i. Lark Reynolds – Business Administrator

Kay had a question on the Financial Report and he was told the payment for the food used at the “What Counts” meeting. Ken Platt asked about the letter of resignation from Lark, as an official letter has not been given to the District. Lark commented on how he spoke to Ken and asked for a straw poll of board members as he was not given direction on how long the Board would like him to continue working. Lark then commented on how he was told that Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup> was the date that was discussed on the phone. After informing the Board of this, they accepted this verbal comment as the date of resignation. During this conversation Ken was excused from the meeting to take a phone call. Gregg Christensen took charge in Ken’s absence. Cheryl Cox then proposed a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Brian Bremner seconded the motion and a vote was then called for. Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 4-0, as Ken Platt was not present for this vote.

## **2. Public Comment**

Deanna Moore commented on how she would like to see the Board help support three students from the District who will attend a summer TAR’s (Teenage Republicans) event in July. She explained details of the event and how the students participate. The Board will add her and these students to the July Board Agenda.

## **3. School Board Proposals – Comments - Reports**

Cheryl Cox reported about the Board’s goals that are being made from the “What Counts” meeting. All of the comments and input from that meeting are being processed into how the Board will meet these goals. This document will be posted on the District website and sent to the individuals that participated in the meeting. It will also be presented in the local newspaper in the Superintendent’s article.

Gregg Christensen reported on a cleanup by a group of Boy Scouts from the Salt Lake area that was held at Escalante Elementary and High Schools. Melanie Torgersen headed up the group with others workers from Escalante City. Gregg stated that he personally

thanked her for all of her efforts and it was recommended that the Board send a thank you letter to Melanie Torgersen and also the Scout group.  
Ken Platt had nothing to report this month.

Kay Englestead had nothing to report this month.

Brian Bremner had nothing to report this month.

#### **4. Superintendent's Report**

##### **A. Scheduling Meeting Update**

Superintendent Dalton met with Escalante, Panguitch, and Bryce Valley High School Principals and Counselors to decide which classes in next year's schedule would be broadcast throughout the District. The classes are: Chemistry from PHS, Physics from BVHS, Spanish I from PHS, Psychology from EHS, History 1700 from EHS, CC Honors and CC II Honors Math from PHS, and Pre-Calculus from BVHS. Superintendent Dalton also met with UEN to begin setting up the technical side of broadcasting these classes. UEN is going to donate three 990's (equipment for EdNet) and the District will purchase two 990's which will cost about \$18,000.00. We have budgeted \$15,000.00.

##### **B. URS Compliance Review**

A letter from Utah Retirement Systems was included in the Board packet. The District had no further actions to take after the review.

##### **C. Adult Ed Program Review**

A letter was included in the Board packet. Several items need to be addressed as far as the Adult Ed program. Superintendent Dalton will speak with Curtis Barney regarding these items.

##### **D. Schedule Start and End Times**

The start and end times will be on a survey on the District website. Public will have the opportunity to participate and make this decision. The Board suggested adding this information and where to find the survey in the weekly newspaper article that Superintendent Dalton submits.

##### **E. 4.5 or 5 Day Week**

This item will also be on the above mentioned survey and give the public the opportunity to participate in this decision.

##### **F. Graduation Requirements for 10 Period Block**

The graduation requirements are being proposed for the upcoming implementation of the 10 period block schedule.

#### **5. Discussion and Actions Items**

##### **A. Budget Opening FY12**

The Budget was opened for changes. The action on this item was taken care of in Item B below.

**B. Budget Closing FY12**

The Board had a discussion regarding the changes that they had proposed that would be included in the FY12 Budget. Also changes in the revenues that changed from the projected amount to the actual amount. Brian Bremner proposed a motion to open the FY12 budget, make the changes that were noted, and accept the Budget as presented with those changes. This motion was seconded by Kay Englestead, and a vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**C. Tentative Budget Adoption FY13**

The proposed Budget is available to the public on the District website and hard copies are also available at the District Office. This is a revised Budget after changes were made by the Board at their Budget Work Meeting on June 5, 2012. Brian Bremner commended Superintendent Dalton for his time and effort on this Budget and the fact that he made available copies to the public. Kay Englestead also thanked Lark Reynolds for his honesty and integrity that he has shown for the past few years. He wished him good luck in the future and at his new position. Ken Platt also recognized the time that Lark has put into the new Budget. Gregg Christensen proposed a motion to adopt the FY13 budget as presented. This motion was seconded by Cheryl Cox, and a vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**D. Acceptable Use Policy for Students – BYOD (Bring your own device) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

After a brief discussion and asking the public if they had any questions or comments on the proposed policy, Brian Bremner proposed a motion to accept the third reading of the Acceptable Use Policy and to adopt it as policy and implement it. This motion was seconded by Gregg Christensen, and a vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

### **E. School Year 2012-2013 School Board Meeting Schedule**

After looking at the proposed dates, and discussing the date in October, Kay Englestead proposed a motion to accept the schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Cox, and a vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

### **6. Personnel**

There were no personnel items to address.

### **7. Board Business**

#### **A. Set July 2012 School Board Meeting time, date, and location.**

The yearly schedule for Board Meetings that was just adopted above has the next Board meeting scheduled to be held on July 19, 2012 in Antimony, Utah at 5:00 P.M. The Board discussed this schedule, and decided to go ahead and hold it at the scheduled time and location. If a closed meeting is going to be held on that date it may be scheduled to begin at 4:00 P.M.

### **8. Public Comments**

Cheryl LeFevre asked for further information regarding the Acceptable Use Policy for Students – BYOD (Bring your own device) Superintendent Dalton explained briefly what the policy states and covers. Brian Bremner asked the public to bring their questions to the next Board meeting.

### **9. Executive Session**

Ken explained the Board needed to hold an executive closed session to discuss the hiring of a Business Administrator. Brian Bremner then proposed a motion to go into an executive closed session to discuss the character and competence of an individual(s). This motion was then seconded by Gregg Christensen, and a roll call vote was then called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Following the closed executive session Brian Bremner proposed a motion to come out of closed executive session and into an open meeting. This motion was seconded by Cheryl Cox and a roll call vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Brian Bremner proposed a motion to follow the Superintendents recommendation to extend an offer to the Business Administrator in the ranking order he proposed at a rate of \$60,000. The Board gave the Superintendent the directive to “sleep on it” and if the order of the ranking changed the Board still gave their approval for the Superintendent’s decision as to who was offered the position. This motion was seconded by Gregg Christensen, and a vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

#### **10. Adjournment**

Gregg Christensen proposed a motion to adjourn. Brian Bremner seconded the motion, and a vote was called for. Ken Platt, Gregg Christensen, Brian Bremner, Cheryl Cox, and Kay Englestead all voted aye. The motion passed unanimously 5-0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 P.M.

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