



CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The following minutes are a summary of the June 4, 2024, Canyons Board of Education meeting. To listen to the entire board meeting, including all comments made during the meeting, please go to BoardDocs at <http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf>

The Board of Education of Canyons School District met in a board meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, beginning at 4:30 pm at the Canyons Administration Building, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

Those in attendance were:

Amber Shill, Board President
Amanda Oaks, Vice President
Andrew Edtl, Vice President
Kris Millerberg, Board Member
Holly Neibaur, Board Member
Karen Pedersen, Board Member
Nancy Tingey, Board Member
Rick Robins, Superintendent
Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator
Dan Harper, General Legal Counsel
Charlie Evans, Director of External Relations

1. Closed Session 4:40 pm

- A. For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property
- B. For the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation

MOTION: Amanda Oaks moved to approve to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property and pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Andrew Edtl seconded the motion. *A vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously

*Person in Attendance: All Board Members, Rick Robins – Superintendent, Leon Wilcox - Business Administrator, Dan Harper – General Counsel, Charlie Evans – Director of External Relations, McKay Robinson – Assistant Superintendent.

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2. Study Session – 5:33 pm

- A. Strategic Plan Focus Group Report: High Quality Learning – Dr. Amber Roderick Landward, Director of ISD

Dr. Roderick-Landward presented a year end summary for the committee work with a focus on initiatives and success criteria that are ongoing, in progress and targeted work for the 2024-2025 school year for High Quality Learning. Canyons School District graduates demonstrate the mastery, autonomy and purpose as set forth in Utah's Portrait of a Graduate. Teachers

participated in professional development on the topics of learning how to be an information investigator, and artificial intelligence. Canyons District elementary libraries weeded over 110,000 books and the average age of book went from 19 years old to under 10 years old. All students have access to high-quality, competency-based personalized-learning experiences with embedded and evidence-based instruction that support the whole child through art shows, debate, film festival, and science fairs. STEAM highlights included schools hosting events, squad coding club, Makerspace, and a \$1 million computer science grant. CSD will provide clear standards for the development of principle-based character traits, which are integrated into all student life and learning experiences through Thrive Time, Concurrent Enrollment courses and AP Courses. Presentation and document available on BoardDocs.

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3. Opening Items

4. Business Meeting – 6:02 pm

- A. Welcome -
- B. Approve Agenda for June 4, 2024

MOTION: Amanda Oaks moved to approve the agenda for June 4, 2024, with the following changes, Study Session 2B Thrive Time Proposal will be moved to New Business 8A and items will be moved down respectively. Andrew Edtl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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- C. Pledge of Allegiance – Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications
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5. Canyons Strong Employee Recognitions – Jeff Haney, Director; and Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications

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The following employees were recognized:

- Teachers of the Year recognized at a REAL soccer game
- Brighton, 5A Boys Lacrosse Champions
- Corner Canyon, 6A Boys Lacrosse Champions
- Alta, Brighton, Corner Canyon, and Hillcrest bands qualified at region to go State
- Alta Wind Symphony – Superior Rating – Director Caleb Shabestaree
- Brighton Symphonic Band – Superior Rating – Director Mikala Mortensen
- Corner Canyon Wind Symphony – Superior Rating – Director Dr. Randal Clark
- Alta, Brighton, corner Canyon and Jordan High Schools – Superior Ratings
- Corner Canyon, Hillcrest and Jordan Chamber Choir – Perfect Scores – Superior I ratings.
- Alta, Brighton, Corner Canyon, Hillcrest and Jordan – Orchestras – scored top ranking at State competition
- Utah Symphony side by side performances
 - Brighton – Noah Ripplinger - oboe
 - Corner Canyon – McKay Neyman – principal horn
 - Brighton – William Buckley – violinist
- 2024 Outstanding Paraeducator Awards – Sarah, Raquel, Mega, Hilary, Ana, Mychelle, Kendra, Nikki, Amie, and Bridge. Full list of winners is on each school's website
- Queen mother from Ghana visited the Hillcrest High School commencement

6. Patron Comments

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No patrons signed up to comment.

7. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes for May 21, 2024
- B. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- C. Approval of Student Overnight Travel
- D. Approval of Purchasing Bids
- E. Approval of Utah Fits All Scholarship Participation

MOTION: Holly Neibaur moved to Approve Consent Agenda Item 7A Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2024; Item 7B Approval of Hire and Termination Reports; Item 7C Approval Student Overnight Travel; Item 7D Approval of Purchasing Bids and Item 7E Approval of Utah fits all Scholarship Participation. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. 6 Yea (Ms. Neibaur, Ms. Tingey, Ms. Shill, Ms. Pedersen, Ms. Millerberg) 1 Abstain (Mr. Edtl)

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8. New Business

- A. Thrive Time Proposal (First Reading) - Dr. Amber Roderick Landward, Director of ISD

Dr. Roderick-Landward presented a finalized curriculum of Thrive Time--lifetime skills learned daily--for students in kindergarten through 8th grade. Utah Code requires school districts to incorporate social emotional curriculum that include lessons on anger management, conflict resolution, and respect for diversity and other cultures. The Canyons Board of Education advocated for a curriculum that reflected the values of the Canyons community. Canyons' educators wrote every lesson and stakeholders, including parents/guardian, students, and teachers reviewed lessons and provided feedback. The developmental process was reviewed by a phased implementation. The units represent critical competencies that support students to be successful in school and life. These units include building resilience, setting goals, making responsible decisions, understanding our community, respecting myself and other and resolving conflict. Presentation available on BoardDocs.

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D5SRWE6FF569>

- B. Legislative Policy Update: Policy-100.01-Board Governance; Policy-500.42-Administering Medication to Students; Policy-600.15-Research Approval Process and Surveys; Policy-600.02-Instructional Materials; Policy-600.06-Selection and Reconsideration of School Library Materials (Second Reading, Possible Action) – Jeffrey Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel

Mr. Christensen reported that there was no feedback submitted since the first reading. He briefly reviewed each policy.

MOTION: Andrew Edtl moved to approve Policy-100.01-Board Governance; Policy-500.42-Administering Medication to Students; Policy-600.15-Research Approval Process and Surveys; Policy-600.02-Instructional Materials. Holly Neibaur seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion regarding Policy-600.06-Selection and Reconsideration of School Library Materials.

MOTION: Nancy Tingey moved to approve Policy-600.06-Selection and Reconsideration of School Library Materials. Karen second the motion. 5 Yea (Ms. Tingey, Ms. Oaks, Ms. Shill, Ms. Pedersen, Ms. Millerberg) 2 Nays (Ms. Neibaur and Mr. Edtl)

Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs.

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D5RTQS785B2C>

C. 2024-2025 Budget Update (Second Reading) – Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator

Hillcrest High School Track and Field has been placed on pause while delays and complications with removing concrete and replacing the turf will be evaluated and a new timeline determined. Mr. Wilcox indicated that enrollment is a major determining factor of the budget, and the enrollment numbers continue to slightly decline. Canyons enrollment for the last five years and projections for the next five school years were presented. The out-of-district students summary for 2018-2019 to 2023-24 indicate progress and currently an increase of 138 students. Inflationary cost are hitting the district hard in the areas of transportation fuel, natural gas, water/sewer, electricity, and maintenance repairs/parts. The SRO five-year contracts are expiring with three municipalities and Unified Police this year. The current reimbursement per officer is \$45,000 and discussions with municipalities are looking to increase the reimbursement to \$75,000 per officer or \$480,000 overall increase. General fund revenues and expenses were reviewed for the past three years for FY24 Final and FY25 budgets. The District has historically been 2%-3% under-budget on expenses and expects to be the same for the next two years. The 2023-2024 budget final is \$65.8M and projected 2024-2025 budget is \$59.9M.

The average home value comparison by municipality is now \$703,200 compared to the 2023 average, which was \$652,700, an increase of \$50,500. This increase taxes owed by approximately \$163.87 to the homeowner. The FY25 proposed tax rate will be finalized when the certified rate is receiving in June and then at the tax hearing. The proposed 2024-2025 budget items and budget options were reviewed.

The budget was posted to the website and under BoardDocs on May 24th and will allow for the mandatory 15-day public inspection before adoption. The Budget Hearing for adoption of the revised FY23 and FY24 Budget will be held on June 18, 2023. Presentation and document available on BoardDocs.

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D5SRYY705771>

D. Staff Comments

A. Superintendent Report

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D5RTQW785B30>

B. Business Administrator Report

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D5RTQZ785B33>

10. Board Comments

A. The President will recognize individual Board members for reports

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11. Closing Items

A. Adjourn 8:11pm

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ATTEST _____ Board President
Amber Shill

Rick Robins Superintendent