



**CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
January 21, 2020**

The following minutes are a summary of the January 21, 2020 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 business meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 beginning at 5:05 pm at the Canyons Administration Building - East, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

**Those in attendance were:**

Nancy Tingey, Board President  
Amber Shill, Vice President  
Steve Wrigley, Vice President  
Clareen Arnold, Board member  
Chad Iverson, Board Member  
Mont Millerberg, Board Member  
Amanda Oaks, Board Member  
James Briscoe, Superintendent  
Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator  
Dan Harper, General Legal Counsel  
Charles Evans, Director of External Relations

**1. Closed Session 4:30 pm**

- A. For the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

**MOTION: Clareen Arnold moved to go into a closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. \*A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.**

*\*Persons in Attendance: All Board members, Dan Harper – General Legal Counsel.*

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**2. Study Session – 5:00 pm**

- A. Process for CSD Superintendent search – President Tingey  
President Tingey reviewed components from the 2013-2014 Superintendents search. The Board of Education discussed appointing an interim Superintendent, forming a board subcommittee, the pros and cons of hiring an outside consultant, the scope of a search internally, statewide or nationally as well as gathering community and stakeholder input. USBA offers Superintendent search services to its members at no cost and the Board can request specific items to be handled by them. The Board of Education decided at this point to move forward with a search and not appoint an interim Superintendent and to work together as a Board on the search and not form a subcommittee. The Board asked President Tingey to work with Mr. Wilcox to gather information regarding consultants that could be hired and requested a special study session be held Wednesday, January 29, 2020, 6pm to discuss further details regarding the search.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSTZ743993>

- B. 2020 Legislature Preview – Charlie Evans, Director of External Relations and Susan Edwards, Public Engagement Coordinator  
Mr. Evans updated the Board of Education regarding the State Tax Reform efforts. He indicated the CSD education Bill tracker will be ready for circulation and access beginning Monday, January 27, 2020. He will continue to provide reports about proposed Bills related to Education on a regularly basis throughout the 2020 Utah Legislative Session.  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSUA744D3B>
- C. Update on Gifted, Talented and Accelerated programs – Dr. Amber Roderick-Landward, Director of Instructional Support Department  
Canyons School District provides a variety of supports for advanced learning which include school-based enrichment, extended learning opportunities, advanced courses and the Supporting Advanced Learners Toward Achievement (SALTA) Magnet Services.  
SALTA Magnet Services are provided to students in grades 1 through 8 who qualify through a placement test. The District continues with internal evaluation to determine equitable access to advanced learner opportunities, magnet services, Honors course purpose & structure and SALTA Magnet curriculum and protocols. The Board requested additional information for student's equity of access, math scores since implementation of the new secondary curriculum, the difference between participation, completion of Honors AP and concurrent enrollment. In addition, the Board requested a list of K-8 schools and what programs and opportunities are available at each school. Presentation and Documents Available on BoardDocs.  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSUH745611>
- D. Update on the Census – Kirsten Stewart, Office of Public Communications and Floyd Stensrud, Director of Planning and Enrollment  
*Update on the Census was moved to New Business Agenda Item 8A.*
- E. USBA Conference Report – Board members  
*USBA Conference Report was moved to New Business Agenda Item 10A Board Comments.*

### 3. Business Meeting – 7:00 pm

#### 4. Opening Items

- A. Welcome
- B. Approve Agenda for January 21, 2020

**MOTION: Amber Shill moved to approve the agenda for January 21, 2020 with the exception of moving Study Session Item 2D Update on the Census moved to New Business Item 8B and Study Session 1E USBA Conference Report moved to be included in Board member comments. Chad Iverson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

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- C. Pledge of Allegiance – Draper Elementary school Student Body officers, Robert Baird, Breven Ewing and Katie Demik  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSSD7409FB>
- D. Inspirational Thought and School Highlights – Draper Elementary Principal, Christy Waddell  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSSE7409FC>

#### 5. Recognitions

- A. Jeff Haney, Director & Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications & Public Relations

- **Caleb Shabestari & Alta High Marching Band**, Appeared in season finale of “High School Musical: The Musical: The Series”
- **Francesca Hall, Midvale Middle** – Winner of 2020 Sontag Prize in Urban Education
- **Corner Canyon High Football** - 6A UHSAA State Champions
- **Van Fillinger**, Corner Canyon High - Named to U.S. Army All-American Bowl
- **Cole Hagen**, Corner Canyon High – Utah Gatorade Player of the Year for Football, 6A MVP

B. School Board Recognition Month

C. Master Board Award

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSSJ740A02>

#### 6. Patron Comments

No Patrons signed up for comments.

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#### 7. Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes from December 17, 2019
- Approval of Minutes from January 7, 2020
- Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- Approval of Purchasing Bids
- Approval of Student Overnight Travel
- Approval of December Financial Reports

**MOTION: Amanda Oaks moved to approve Consent Agenda Item 7A Approval of Minutes from December 17, 2019; Item 7B Approval of Minutes from January 7, 2020; Item 7C Approval of Hire and Termination Reports; Item 7D Approval of Purchasing Bids; Item 7E Approval of Student Overnight Travel; Item 7F Approval of December Financial Reports. Clareen Arnold seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSSS740A0A>

#### 8. New Business

- Update on the Census – Kirsten Stewart, Office of Public Communications and Floyd Stensrud, Director of Planning and Enrollment

The census is conducted every ten years and is used to determine Federal funding for special education, classroom technology, teacher training, after-school programs, school lunch assistance and more. Canyons District received last year \$16.7 million in Federal Title I, school lunch and special education funding. Ms. Stewart and Dr. Stensrud explained to the Board the District’s plans to reach out to educate students and parents about the constitutionally-required census, why it matters to be counted, and the resources at stake for not participating. The Communications Department along with Planning and Enrollment will work together to communicate through a variety of ways such as CSD2U, local media, printed materials and social media. Census information events will also be held at schools in the hard to count areas identified. A focus will be placed on what the census helps provide for the community by participating. The Census Week or “We Count”, will be conducted March 16-20, 2020. Presentation and Documents Available on BoardDocs.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSUU745E0E>

- Textbook and Curriculum Adoption (Third Reading, Action Requested) – Dr. Amber Roderick-Landward, Director of ISD

Dr. Amber Roderick-Landward provided feedback received from parents and communities throughout the school district. The Board of Education asked questions regarding the Annual Curriculum Adoption Proposal for 2020-2021 for Elementary Science, Health I (Middle School), Health II (High School), Biology and Earth Science.

**MOTION:** Chad Iverson moved to approve Textbook and Curriculum Adoption for 2020-2021. Amber Shill seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSYL74F66C>

- C. Mastery Connect Proposal (Fourth Reading, Possible Action) – Dr. Amber Roderick-Landward, Director of ISD

The Administration is recommending the adoption of Mastery Connect after the pilot was conducted in the Fall of 2019. Dr. Roderick-Landward addressed questions from the last meeting from the Board. She indicated Mastery Connect has significantly more features including an assessment system and a gradebook vs. Skyward that is only a gradebook. Implementation steps were reviewed and a training schedule presented for teachers for 2020-2021 regardless of the gradebook selected. A summary of reasons to adopt included consistent school based aligned gradebook, assessment system for feedback, authentic data-based decision making, elevates learning skills as standards and time is right for implementation because of the new curriculums the state is rolling out in the next few years. If Mastery Connect is not approved the district will move forward with using Skyward as the gradebook for elementary schools. Presentation and Document Available on BoardDocs.

**MOTION:** Steve Wrigley moved to approve Mastery Connect Proposal with the addendum that the ISD reports back each 6 months with an update on the program so the Board can review. Amber Shill seconded the motion. 3 Yea 4 Nay. The motion failed.

The Board of Education discussed the motion.  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSYS7500B2>

**9. Staff Comments**

- A. Superintendent Report  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUSSZ740A11>
- B. Business Administrator Report  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUST4740A14>

**10. Board Comments**

- A. The President will recognize individual Board members for reports  
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BKUST8740A18>

**11. Closing Items**

- A. Adjourn 9:37 pm

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ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_ Board President  
Nancy Tingey

\_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent  
James Briscoe