



**CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
October 3, 2017**

The following minutes are a summary of the October 3, 2017 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 study session and business meeting on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 beginning at 6:00 pm at the Canyons Administration Building - East, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

Those in attendance were:

Sherril Taylor, Board President
Nancy Tingey, Board First Vice President
Amber Shill, Board Second Vice President
Chad Iverson, Board Member
Mont Millerberg, Board Member
Steve Wrigley, Board Member
James Briscoe, Superintendent
Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator
Dan Harper, General Counsel
Charles Evans, Director External Relations

Excused:

Clareen Arnold, Board Member

1. Study Session – 6:00 pm

A. Step2theU Update – Brian McGill, Alta High Principal

Principal McGill gave an overview and provided handouts on the partnership with the University of Utah and Alta High School. Mr. McGill thanked the Board for their support of the Step2theU Program and shared enrollment statistics, tuition savings and costs of the program. The application criteria and process was explained. The first cohort of students completed the ‘Junior Summer Block’ of four general education university required courses with an average GPA of 3.8. The senior year courses will include math classes and an additional four university courses next summer. Students received a peer mentor advocate from the U and completed a mural that will be shared by the University of Utah and Alta High. Principal McGill is looking at the possibility of another cohort at Alta. The Board will assess the cost of adding a cohort but agreed to continue the program. Board Members commented on the positive results and asked questions about the program. Handouts are available on BoardDocs.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKGB51C5DC>

B. Update on Brain Boosters and Process for Recommending and Rotating Programs – Dr. Amber Roderick-Landward, Director of Instructional Supports Department

Dr. Roderick-Landward reviewed the 2015 Board directives for the Brain Booster program. Brain Boosters include Arts, Engineering, Library Media, Playworks and Technology curriculum supports. Materials and equipment have been purchased for each brain booster with the schools providing consumables. A schedule of on-going professional development was presented, as well as, school and District level support for the program. Adding more subject options to Brain Boosters or rotating subjects is something that can be considered if supports are in place. Staffing, retention and on-going support for the program was addressed. Presentation is available on BoardDocs.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKJC51F5E8>

C. Policy Review: Policy 500.3: Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel

The Section 504 Policies and Procedures, as part of the OCR Resolution Agreement Case Number 08-17-1290, have been reviewed and reassessed by Canyons School District. After the review, there are no

substantive changes to the District's Section 504 Policies and Procedures. Policy is available on BoardDocs. <http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKJM520B5B>

- D. New Policy: Special Education for Students with Disabilities - Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel
This new policy will be in the student section of Canyons School District policies. The policy affirms Canyons District's practice to follow the guidelines in IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) for Special Education students. The District continues to comply with Federal and State guidelines. Policy is available on BoardDocs. <http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKKN521725>

2. Business Meeting – 7:30 pm

3. Opening Items

A. Welcome

B. Approve Agenda for October 3, 2017

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKGF51C5E2>

MOTION: Chad Iverson moved to approve the Agenda for October 3, 2017. Amber Shill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance – Alta View Elementary, Boy Scout Troop 788 & Cub Scout Pack 3788

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKGG51C5E3>

- B. Reverence – Karen Medlin, Principal – Alta View Elementary

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4. Recognitions

- A. Recognitions – Student Advisory Council, Dr. Robert Dowdle, Assistant Superintendent

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The following Student Advisory Council members were introduced to the Board:

Alta High: Sydney Pexton & Taylor Wood

Brighton High: Bradley Sullivan & Sophie Yates

Corner Canyon High: Hope Broman & Logan Orr

Hillcrest High: Boston Iacobazzi & Sierra Metzger

Jordan High: Gabby Marz & Conner Tait

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

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Presentation is available on BoardDocs.

The following were recognized:

- Katie Blunt, Canyons Education Technology – Utah American Graduate Champion, Utah Education Network
- Canyons District National Merit Semi-Finalists
 - Nathan Brown – Alta High School
 - Joshua Brodbeck – Brighton High School
 - August Burton – Corner Canyon High School
 - Aaron Jackson – Corner Canyon High School
 - Richard Abbott – Hillcrest High School
 - Bryson Armstrong – Hillcrest High School
 - Mohammed Khan – Hillcrest High School
 - Chu Un Kim – Hillcrest High School
 - Madeline Martin – Hillcrest High School
 - Kara Komarnitsky – Hillcrest High School
 - Madeline Martin – Hillcrest High School
 - Joshua Raty – Hillcrest High School
 - Alexander Sun – Hillcrest High School
 - Vivek Vankayalapati – Hillcrest High School
 - Daniel Ross – Jordan Hill School
- The Office of Public Communications - Jeff Haney, Director & Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director received the Communications in a Major Incident Award from the Utah Public Information Offices Association for the coverage of the incident at Brookwood Elementary.

5. Patron Comments

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKGP51C5EA>

The following public comments were given:

- Kellie Davey – Draper Park Middle School – Schedules and electives at DPMS

6. Consent Agenda

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Approval of Minutes from September 19, 2017

- A. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- B. Approval of Purchasing Bids
- C. Approval of Student Overnight Travel
- D. Approval of MOU for Cottonwood Heights Summer Theater Program

MOTION: Amber Shill moved to approve the Consent Agenda Item 6A Approval of Minutes from September 19, 2017; Item 6B Approval of Hire and Termination Reports; Item 6C Approval of Purchasing Bids; Item 6D Approval of Student Overnight Travel and Item 6E Approval of MOU for Cottonwood Heights Summer Theater Program. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. New Business

- A. Bond Update – Charlie Evans, Director of External Relations

Mr. Evans gave the Board an update on the District's efforts to inform the community about the Bond proposal. These efforts include the Voter Information Pamphlet mailed to every patron of the District, CSD2U newsletters, banners at every school, online ads and website updates, booths and flyers at schools for parent teacher conferences, flyers at high school sporting events, TV media spots and meeting with an editorial board, presentations in every City Council and at various city and community venues. Midvale City, Mayor Seghini, and Region 17 PTA have endorsed the bond. A citizens group, Friends of the Canyons School District Bond, has a Facebook page and is actively supporting the bond. Students who are 18 years old are encouraged to vote.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKGZ51C5F4>

- B. New Policy: Special Education for Students with Disabilities - Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel (Action Requested)

Each District is required to adopt practices that are in accordance with Federal and State guidelines to serve Special Education Students. This policy addresses these rules.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKQ552EC9B>

MOTION: Nancy Tingey moved to approve the new policy of Special Education for Students with Disabilities as presented and explained. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Staff Comments

- A. Superintendent Report - Dr. James Briscoe

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKH351C5F6>

- B. Business Administrator Report – Leon Wilcox

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKH651C5F9>

9. Board Comments

President Taylor provided an opportunity for Board Members to comment on recognitions and events throughout the District, please review audio on BoardDocs if you would like to listen to individual Board Member comments.

- A. The President will recognize individual Board members for reports.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ARNKHA51C5FD>

10. Closing Items

- A. Adjourn at 8:45 pm

ATTEST

Sherril Taylor

Board President

James Briscoe

Superintendent