



CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The following minutes are a summary of the October 3, 2023, 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, October 3, 2023, beginning at 4:30 pm at the Canyons District Office, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

Those in attendance were:

Amber Shill, Board President
Mont Millerberg, Vice President
Amanda Oaks, Vice President
Andrew Edtl, 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 – 4:30

- A. For the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
- B. For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange or lease of real property.
- C. For the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

MOTION: Mont Millerberg moved to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation, for the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property and for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Karen Pedersen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. 6 Yea (Ms. Shill, Mr. Millerberg, Ms. Oaks, Mr. Edtl, Ms. Pedersen, Ms. Tingey) 1 Not Present (Ms. Neibaur joined the meeting after the vote) The motion carries.

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

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2. Study Session – 5:30

- A. Long Range Planning Committee – Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator

The purpose of the Long-Range Planning Vision statement is to assist the CSD Board of Education in developing and prioritizing a long-range capital plan that will serve the district over

the next 5-10 years. All future capital projects in CSD should reflect the tenets of the district in their appearance and functionality and efficiency.. The elementary enrollments for the last 11 years and preliminary enrollments for October 1, 2023, were presented, reviewed, and discussed. The board asked for more reports from the committee in the future.

This remainder of this agenda item was moved to the Business meeting agenda item 9F due to time constraints. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs.

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3. Introduction of Student Advisory Council – 6:30 pm

A. Introduction of Council – Dr. McKay Robinson, Assistant Superintendent

Students Advisory Council Members in attendance introduced themselves to the Board of Education. These students meet monthly with board members to discuss their point of view in their respective schools.

Student Advisory Council Members

Alta High School: Elizabeth Carlton, Maria Dos Santos, Willa Grimmer, Mariam Khan

Brighton High School: Luke Barlow, Lucia Glime, Avery Parry, Ben Schiffman

Corner Canyon High School: Paloma Plancarte, Noah Smythe, Aditi Vandanapu, Estella Watson

Diamond Ridge: Abby Lanham, Moises Gomez

Hillcrest High School: Briggs Hunt, Anna Da Silva, Sara Moeinvaziri, Sophia Mun, Nayantara Nair

Jordan High School: Brooklyn Adams, Parker Bettinson, Elena Delgado, Hope Wagner

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4. Business Meeting – 7:00 pm

5. Opening Items

A. Welcome

B. Approve Agenda for October 3, 2023

MOTION: Nancy Tingey moved to approve the agenda for October 3, 2023, with the one change that is a continuation of Study Session Item 2A Long Range Planning Committee during Business Meeting as Item 9F. Amanda Oaks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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C. Pledge of Allegiance – Oakdale Elementary – Principal Deidre Walbeck

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=CW5NDJ5EFE01>

D. School Highlights - Oakdale Elementary – Principal Deidre Walbeck

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6. Canyons Strong Employee Recognitions – Jeff Haney, Director and Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications

The following students were recognized:

- National Custodians Day

- Zach Eppley and Jaron Jarvis landscaping at Willow Canyon Elementary
- Marcy Hadean, Third Grade at Altara Elementary for her positive relationship with students
- Morgan Hanson, Kindergarten at Willow Springs hands on activity in her classroom
- Marching Band Directors at Alta – Caleb Shabestari, Brighton - Mikala Mortensen and Hillcrest - Austin Hilla

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7. Patron Comments

The following patrons commented:

- Heather Erickson – Thank you from East Midvale
- Katherine English – Spanish DLI
- Aubrey Graham – Spanish DLI

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8. Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes for September 19, 2023
- Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- Approval of Purchasing Bids
- Approval Student Overnight Travel
- Approval of LEA Specific Licenses and Endorsements
- Approval of Altria Settlement
- Approval of Social Media Attorney/Client Engagement Agreement

MOTION: Amanda Oaks moved to approve Consent Item 8A Approval of Minutes for September 19, 2023, Item 8B Approval of Hire and Termination Reports, Item 8C Approval of Purchasing Bids; Item 8D Approval of Student Overnight Travel, Item 8E Approval of LEA Specific Licenses and Endorsements, Item 8F Approval of Altria Settlement, and Item 8G Approval of Social Media Attorney/Client Engagement Agreement. Holly Neibaur seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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9. New Business

- Strategic Plan Focus Group Report: Access & Opportunity – Paula Logan, Director of Federal and State Programs

The Access and Opportunity Impact Statement is, “CSD provides access to resources and opportunities that build a positive and inclusive environment for all students and parents.” The indicators, data, and next steps for both strategic initiatives were provided. A discussion list was reviewed of current and future ideas being discussed by the committee for elementary, middle school and high school. Presentation and document available on BoardDocs.

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- Proposal for Jordan High School National Naval Defense Cadet Corps (NNDCC) (Second Reading, Possible Action) – Dr. Bruce Eschler, Jordan High Principal

Principal Eschler provided additional information regarding proposed benefits, student enrollment eligibility requirements, a draft course of descriptions, initial costs and a sample fee schedule for 2024-25 for the NNDCC.

MOTION: Holly Neibaur moved to approve proposal for Jordan High School National Naval Defense Cadet Corps (NNDCC). Andrew Edtl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation and document available on BoardDocs.

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- C. Policy 100.02 - Board of Education Ethics and Conduct Guidelines, New Policy 100.06 – Communication with the Board of Education and Discussion of Board Education Flowchart - (First Reading) - Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel

Policy 100.02 Board Ethics and Board of Education Ethics Guidelines

It was requested at the Board of Education Roundtable discussion that the Policy Committee review the Board Ethics policy. The policy language was updated to state, “Board members are bound by the Utah Public Officers’ and Employees’ Ethics Act. In fulfilling their duties as elected officials, Board members should maintain and demonstrate high standards of conduct. The Board of Education therefore offers the attached Exhibit with conduct guidelines, for each member of the Board of Education.” Additional ethics guidelines were discussed..

New Policy 100.06 Communication with the Board of Education

The policy outlines the Board of Education’s commitment to receiving open and transparent communication and public engagement from students, parents, employees and patrons. The policy outlines how the Board may receive communication and public comment in an open public Board meeting.

The Board of Education Flowchart is to guide board members when they receive complaints.. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=CW5NGH5FB04B>

- D. Board Strategic Indicator and Goals (Second Reading, Possible Action) – Superintendent Rick Robins

Superintendent Robins reviewed the indicators and goals for academic achievement. He highlighted data reflecting high rates of students chronically absent and the distribution of failing grades for the 2022-2023 school year. Both of these are new indicators the board will be reviewing. The district is considering options for how to measure students writing skills to determine if they are college and career ready. School Community Council meeting participation is another new indicator the board will be tracking. For example, in 2022-2023 school year schools held an average of six SCC meetings, plus an average attendance of 95% by principals, 74% by parents, and 90% by employees. The new proposed graduation goal is to reach 100% by increasing the rate annually by 2%. Presentation available on BoardDocs.

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- E. CSD Differentiated Diplomas (Second Reading, Possible Action) – Tom Sherwood, Director of High Schools

Mr. Sherwood reviewed the proposed differentiated diploma pathways for the standard, advance and honors diploma. He reviewed the appeals process for students with hardships that did not meet the criteria. The board gave input and some new direction for the administration to consider with the differentiated diplomas. Presentation and document available on BoardDocs.

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F. Long Range Planning Committee – Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator

MOTION: Karen Pedersen moved to move Business Meeting Item 9F Long Range Planning Committee be moved to the next board meeting Oct 17, 2023. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. 5 Yea (Ms. Oaks, Ms. Shill, Mr. Millerberg, Ms. Tingey, Ms. Pedersen) 2 Nay (Mr. Edtl, Ms. Holly Neibaur) The motion carries.

There was a discussion about rotating board members on the Long-Range Planning Committee.
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10. Staff Comments

A. Superintendent Report

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B. Business Administrator Report

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=CW5NEH5EFE20>

11. Board Comments

A. The President will recognize individual Board members for reports

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12. Closing Items

A. Adjourn 10:10pm

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Amber Shill

Board President

Rick Robins

Superintendent