



CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The following minutes are a summary of the December 14, 2021 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, December 14, 2021 beginning at 4:30 pm at the Canyons Administration Building, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

Those in attendance were:

Nancy Tingey, Board President
Amanda Oaks, Vice President
Steve Wrigley, Vice President
Clareen Arnold, Board Member
Mont Millerberg, Board Member
Holly Neibaur, Board Member
Amber Shill, 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 the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual

MOTION: Clareen Arnold moved to go into 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.

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

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2. Study Session – 5:00 pm

- A. Report on Utah College Application Week - Tori Gillett, Comp Guidance Specialist

Ms. Gillett had students, Sophie Jensen and Opportune Heath, from Brighton High School, speak about their experiences with Utah College Application Week (UCAW). UCAW helped 1,400 students apply for college during the designated time at their schools. She reported that \$1,960 was provided by the Canyons Education Foundation to help students apply for colleges. This amount is lower than the past due to some colleges providing free applications for students during UCAW. The students are encouraged to plan and sign up for a 1 year, 2 years, or 4 plus

years of college, which include other types of post-secondary options such as military or cosmetology school.

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- B. Update on IT plan and Digital Citizenship report – Scot McCombs, IT Director; Kenna Sorensen, Assistant ISD Director; Susan Edwards, Community Engagement Coordinator

CSD is now one-to-one with technology devices. Secondary students are assigned Chromebooks which they use at school and home. Elementary students have devices which they use at school. The Information Technology Department provides support to students and staff with school-based field techs in each secondary school, one for every 3 elementary schools, and 10 part-time tech assistants and interns are assigned to high schools. Mr. McCombs reported that 12% of the district does not have adequate home connectivity despite providing hotspots, comcast internet essential, Eduroam and private LTE. The IT department applied for emergency connectivity funds and was awarded \$4,230,789 in funding for purchasing 15000 Chromebooks to replace outdated devices, additional hotspots and Comcast. The department is experiencing issues with delays in the supply chain, excessive changes in staff transitions and turnover, continual need of funding for repairs and replacing technology as well as requests for filtering access to certain sites.

Ms. Kenna Sorensen reviewed House Bill 213, Safe Technology Utilization and Digital citizenship. The purpose is to educate students and parents on making smart media and online choices as well as safe technology practices. The responsibility of the Digital Citizenship Coordinator at each school includes addressing top concerns for their school, prepare students with 21st century skills, support educators with training and engage the whole community through family outreach. CSD Digital Citizenship week was held October 18-21, 2021 and included posters and resources distributed to all schools with highlights of the six strands of digital citizenship, lessons and daily announcements. Information regarding digital citizenship is presented by the Coordinator to the SCC and faculty at each school. The school then submits a report to the district. Documents and presentation available on BoardDocs.

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- C. Update on Strategic Planning – Superintendent Rick Robins

Superintendent Robins expressed appreciation for those who are participating on the committees to gather valuable information for strategic planning. The information provided by each team will be moved forwarded to the Steering Committee which will have the opportunity to refine and condense the overlap of topics.

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- D. District Accreditation report – Cindy Hanson, School Performance Director and Jesse Hennefer, Assistant ISD Director

Ms. Hanson reported Canyons School District received an institution score of 320.65 which is well above the average for institutions. She reviewed strengths and areas of improvement for leadership, learning, and resources. Insights for the district and Board to consider include defining and continuing pursuit of equity, developing a comprehensive strategic plan, and providing a K-12 designated time for collaboration. Presentation available on BoardDocs.

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- E. Comments of appreciation for employees -- Nancy Tingey, Board President

The Board of Education each expressed appreciation for employees and all they have done to help increase the quality of education for the students who attend Canyons School District schools. <http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9K26A834F96>

3. Business Meeting – 7:00 pm

4. Opening Items

- A. Welcome
- B. Approve Agenda for December 14, 2021

MOTION: Amanda Oaks moved to approve the agenda for December 14, 2021. Amber Shill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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- C. Pledge of Allegiance – Indian Hills Middle, Principal Doug Graham
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- D. School Highlights – Indian Hills Middle, Principal Doug Graham
<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9JMV85BE9C3>

5. Recognitions – Jeff Haney, Director, and Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications

The following students and staff were recognized for their achievements:

- McKayla Larkins, Corner Canyon High – Artist 2021 Holiday Card
- Sabah Sial, Hillcrest High - Rhodes Scholarship
- Cody Hagen, Corner Canyon High - Utah Gatorade Football Player of the Year
- Devon Brown, Corner Canyon and Lander Barton Brighton - All-American Bowl Selections
- Matthew Wolford – Director of Facilities
- Brian McGill – Director of Student Services
- Ken Rowley – Alta High Principal

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6. Patron Comments

The following patrons commented:

- Krista Pippin, Policy 600.6 Library
- Rebecca Gilca, Library Policy
- Natalie Day, ADA
- Catherine Bates, Policy 600.06
- Kathrine Smith, Elementary ELA Curriculum
- Lisa Bruns, Library Material Policy
- Bridget Rees, Book Deselection Policy
- Elaine Zhang, Book challenge
- Alisa Brough, Library selection and Review
- Jenny Olsen, Library Media Policy
- Melarie Whest, Library Materials Policy
- Kathryn Kair, Child Abuse Prevention
- Jack Tice, Policy 600.06 Library
- Christine Morzelewski, Explicit books
- Stacie Petersen, Wonders
- Marilyn Larson, Books

Written Comments received:

- Gay Lynn Bennion, Utah House of Representatives, District 46
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7. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes for November 30, 2021
- B. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports

- C. Approval of Purchasing Bids
- D. Approval Student Overnight Travel
- E. Approval of November Financial Reports

MOTION: Holly Neibaur moved to Approve Consent Agenda Item 7A Approval of Minutes from November 30, 2021; Item 7B Approval of Hire and Termination Reports; Item 7C Approval of Purchasing Bids; Item 7D Approval of Student Overnight Travel; Item 7E Approval of November Financial Reports. Clareen Arnold seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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8. New Business

- A. Policy Update: Policy—500.40—Student Health Service and Requirements (Second Reading, Possible Action) – Dan Harper, General Legal Counsel

This policy updates include a definition regarding individual student healthcare plans, healthcare team and student support teams. Policy revisions also include an update for the health and safety portion of the policy, update of the appeal process and distinguish separate administrative regulations for clarity. Documents and presentation available on BoardDocs.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9JMW45BE9DF>

MOTION: Clareen Arnold moved to approve Policy—500.40—Student Health Service and Requirements. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. A vote was taken. The results of the vote were 6 Yea and 1 not present (Ms. Oaks was not present for the vote). The motion carries.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9JMW45BE9DF>

- B. Policy—600.02—Curriculum Adoption; and Policy—600.06—School Library Media Selection and Review (Second Reading) – Amber Roderick-Landward, ISD Director

Policy—600.02—Curriculum Adoption

The review of the curriculum adoption policy includes substantive revisions to outline the adoption of Instructional Materials in CSD. The policy will be retitled “Instructional Materials” and includes an exhibit for the process of instructional materials adoption for each of the levels outlined in the policy. A parent or legal guardian may request a waiver for their child’s participation in a portion of the curriculum or activity as outlined in state statute. Dr. Roderick-Landward reviewed the process in which the public may access proposed curriculum before a decision is made on adopting the curriculum. Documents and presentation available on BoardDocs. <http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9K2AK00162B>

Policy—600.06—School Library Media Selection and Review

The policy committee is recommending changes to acknowledge a school library is distinguishable from a public library, modified language to describe patron access, and language to expand the self-selection provisions allowing students to place a hold or a parent/legal guardian to restrict access to a title. The Board requested the policy committee discuss including a definition for age appropriateness in the exhibits and the membership of the challenge review committees. Documentation and presentation available on BoardDocs. <http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9K2AK00162B>

- C. Introduction of proposal for adoption of new District wide instructional materials - Amber Roderick-Landward, ISD Director

The curriculum adoption process is a 25-step process and the first 17 steps are completed prior to the first reading of the Board. Dr Roderick-Landward provided a curriculum overview of the rationale, summary of evidence, curriculum features, what sets the curriculum apart from others and curriculum limitations for the proposed adoptions for Chemistry, Physics and Elementary English Language Arts (ELA). The districtwide primary curricula are being proposed for implementation beginning in the fall of 2022.

Documentation and presentation on BoardDocs.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=C9K2AN002CF1>

**Board meeting was dismissed due to weather conditions prior to Staff Comments and Board Comments. Mr. Millerberg reminded the Board of some upcoming USBA events.*

9. Staff Comments

A. Superintendent Report

B. Business Administrator Report

10. Board Comments

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

11. Closing Items

A. Adjourn *10:00 pm

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ATTEST

Nancy Tingey

Board President

Rick Robins

Superintendent