



**CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
March 7, 2017**

The following minutes are a summary of the March 7, 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 closed session, a study session and business meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 beginning at 5:45 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 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

Excused:

Charles Evans, Director External Relations
Amber Shill, Board Second Vice President
Clareen Arnold, Board Member

1. Closed Session - 5:45 pm

- A. For the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
- B. For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange or lease of real property.
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MOTION: Steve Wrigley moved to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and for the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange or lease of real property. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. A roll call was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Study Session – 6:00 pm

- A. Legislative Update – Susan Edwards, Public Engagement Coordinator
Susan updated the Board on highlights of the past week of events at the legislature. House Speaker, Greg Hughes, has carried the weight on SB80, there is now a sub-bill SB255. As of now we believe SB80 or SB255 will not move forward. This has been a difficult, divisive year. SB80 has been a tough fight but our legislators got behind us. There was a Board discussion on SB80 and SB255 and how it worked through the system. Other bills discussed were HB241-Assessment and School Grading; HB212-Incentive for Effective Teachers of High Poverty Schools; HB413-Public School Membership in Associations (Utah High School Activities Association bill); HB92 Physical Restraints; HB308 Public Health and SB240 Local School Options which deals with charter schools. The charter school movement is a national trend. The school bus seatbelt bill did not pass. Funding is 4% WPU, this is great news for the District. This is a big increase and we thank our legislators for that. The legislature has also fully funded growth, teacher supplies and licensure fees for teachers.
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- B. Policy Update – Policy-GCCAJ-Release Time-Jury Duty; Policy-GCCAO-Family Medical Leave; Policy-GDR-Employee Participation in Political Activities -- Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel (First Reading)

These policies deal with benefit related issues. Release Time-Jury Duty policy has added language that the paid release is available for benefit eligible employees only. Mr. Wrigley asked if we could pay the hourly employees that serve on a jury. Leon Wilcox will pull information from payroll on hourly employees and Jeff Christensen will bring this back for a second reading. The FMLA policy was reviewed for consistency with the federal code of regulations for spouse. The language was updated for readability. The term ‘spouse’ is the federal definition. The last policy retitled ‘Employees in Public Office’ is for individuals serving in a public office. These employees should render their public service using personal or vacation leave. They can apply for non-paid leave if needed. Current employees cannot be on the school board. This is a first reading on the three policies. Documents are available on BoardDocs.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJYUTN7D3C32>

- C. Policy Update -- Policies recommended as Obsolete: Policy GB-Suggestions from Employees; Policy GCBF-Incentive Lump Sum Payments -- Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel (First Reading)

Suggestions from Employees policy is no longer needed because feedback can be provided by a variety of means and not just through a suggestion box. The Incentive Lump Sum Payments policy is unnecessary as our accounting office can pay lump sum payments without a policy. Both policies will be brought back for second reading, possible action. Documents are available on BoardDocs.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJYUTZ7D48C2>

- D. Unreimbursed Bus Routes – Dr. Robert Dowdle, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Dowdle provided information on bus route 1113 for the Board’s consideration. This route currently serves students living up Big Cottonwood Canyon. The bus brings students to Butler Elementary, Butler Middle and Brighton High. Ridership is between one and ten students. There are currently eleven students that qualify and next year only nine students will qualify. This route will not qualify for state funding next year. Concerns with this bus route include losing radio contact with the bus in the canyon and the special certifications the driver needs to drive in the mountains. There was a discussion on buses and the dangers of driving up this canyon and staying consistent with canyon routes. We pay the business rate for mileage on the Suncrest route. Dr. Dowdle will check with State Risk Management to see if we should continue this route. This will be brought back to the Board when we have an answer. A recommendation will be presented at that time. This would be for next school year. Document is available on BoardDocs.

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3. Business Meeting – 7:30 pm

4. Opening Items

- A. Welcome
B. Approve Agenda for March 7, 2017

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MOTION: Nancy Tingey moved to approve the Agenda for March 7, 2017. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Pledge of Allegiance – Draper Park Middle School, Scout Troop 1219

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- D. Reverence – Mary Anderson, Principal, Draper Park Middle School

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5. **Recognitions** – Jeff Haney, Director of Communications

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The following recognitions were presented:

- Shaun Stockwell, Corner Canyon High School – 4A UHSAA State Wrestling Champion
- Ammon Savage, Corner Canyon High School – Academic All-State Honors, boys basketball
- Rachel Butler, Brighton High School – First place, 500-yard breaststroke 5A State Championship

- Anna Hibbard, Rachel Butler, Brooke VanBrocklin, Ava Binder, Brighton High School –First place, 200-yard freestyle relay, 5A State Championship
- Jack Binder, Brighton High School – First place, 100-yard breaststroke, 5A State Championship
- Ofelia Wade, Canyons Dual-Language Immersion Coordinator – Lifetime Achievement Award, Utah Foreign Language Association
- You Yin-Yao, Draper Elementary – International Teacher of the Year, Utah Foreign Language Association
- Debbie Beninati, Sandy Elementary – Elementary Music Teacher of the Year, Utah Music Educators Association

6. Patron Comments - no patron comments.

7. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes from February 21, 2017
- B. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- C. Approval of Purchasing Bids
- D. Approval of Student Overnight Travel
- E. Approval of 2018-2019 Calendar Date Change
- F. Approval of 2017-2018 Board Meeting Schedule
- G. Approval of Director of Responsive Services Position
- H. Approval of New Administrative Appointments
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MOTION: Chad Iverson moved to approve the Consent Agenda Item 7A Approval of Minutes from February 21, 2017; 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 2018-2019 Calendar Date Change; Item 7F Approval of Board Meeting Schedule; Item 7G Responsive Services Position; Item 7H Approval of New Administrative Appointments. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. New Business

- A. Announcement of New Administrative Appointments – Dr. Robert Dowdle, Assistant Superintendent & Dr. Kathryn McCarrie, Assistant Superintendent
The following Administrative Appointments were announced:
BJ Weller is hired as Director of Responsive Services
Kierstin Draper, currently at Oakdale to Canyon View
Lori Jones, currently at Sprucewood to Oakdale
Colleen Smith, currently outside the district to Sprucewood
Piper Riddle is leaving the district to take a position in Wasatch School District
Christy Waddell, currently at Butler to Draper
Jeff Nalwalker, currently at Midvalley to Butler
Tamra Baker, currently in Student Services to Midvalley
Kerry Schroepfel is returning to the classroom to teach
Brandee Bergum, currently outside the district to Midvale Middle as an assistant principal
Draper Park Middle School now qualifies for a third assistant principal due to enrollment
Randall Seltz, currently an achievement coach to Draper Park Middle School as an assistant principal
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJZML25AE80E>

9. Staff Comments

- A. Superintendent Report - Dr. James Briscoe
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJYUS97CDE34>
- B. Business Administrator Report – Leon Wilcox
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJYUSC7CDE37>

10. 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=AJYUSG7CDE3B>

11. Closing Items

A. Adjourn at 8:17 pm

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ATTEST

Sherril Taylor

Board President

James Briscoe

Superintendent