



**CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
February 21, 2017**

The following minutes are a summary of the February 21, 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, February 21, 2017 beginning at 5:15 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
Amber Shill, Board Second Vice President
Clareen Arnold, Board Member
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

1. Study Session – 5:15 pm

A. Legislative Update – Charlie Evans, Director of External Relations

Charlie Evans updated the Board on two bills, SB80 and SB240. SB80 has passed the Senate and is with the House Education Committee. This bill would create two classes of school districts – winners and losers. This will undermine the WPU to where it would be almost meaningless. Some school districts are actively promoting SB80. Representatives that are opposing this bill are Bruce Cutler, LaVar Christensen and Marie Poulson. Please contact these representatives and thank them for opposing this bill. Speaker Hughes is actively helping us work with the education committee. The second bill that was discussed was SB240. Senator Fillmore sponsored SB240 which would allow an SCC to go around the local school board and go directly to the State school board to get a charter school. This bill also allows some waivers on teacher evaluations. Nancy Tingey mentioned two bills that address the accountability of education. SB220 by Senator Millner would create a statewide accountability system. Senator Poulson has a bill to remove the grading system of schools. There is a likelihood that these two bills will merge.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP5K62DDA0>

B. Hillcrest Feeder System Pilot / Proposal to Continue – Dr. Kathryn McCarrie, Assistant Superintendent and Greg Leavitt, Principal, Hillcrest High School & HHS Feeder Schools

Dr. McCarrie reminded the Board of the proposal that was presented last February requesting extra funding in critical areas for the Hillcrest feeder schools. The funding was for a Hillcrest High summer program for incoming ninth graders and additional administrative support. Also requested was additional achievement coaches for Midvale Middle, Midvale Elementary, Copperview Elementary and East Midvale Elementary. The Principals of these schools gave an update on the benefit of the program and asked that the funding support continue for the upcoming school year. Elementary principals Christy Webb, Chip Watts and Justin Pitcher and Middle School Principal Wendy Dau presented data and discussed the benefits of the additional achievement coach. Hillcrest High Principal Greg Leavitt presented data on the summer school initiative. There are already fifteen students that want to attend the summer program this year. The Board asked questions about options for the program and adding higher grades to the program in the future. AmeriCorps volunteers work with the students and the assistant principal. Leon Wilcox mentioned that the program is mostly cost neutral. This will be a line item on the budget. Documents are available on BoardDocs.

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP7U63481B>

C. Update on Diamond Ridge High School – Karen Sterling, Director of Student Advocacy & Access
Amy Boettger, Principal of Diamond Ridge was available to answer questions from the Board. Karen Sterling presented the benefits of alternative high schools and a history of Diamond Ridge. The main goal is to increase the graduation rate. Diamond Ridge is a District school, not a boundary school. Staffing and FTE numbers have grown over the years. The State has an alternative accountability system for alternative schools, they do not get a letter grade. Potential growth was shown and numbers of students that could possibly attend were discussed. This is for students that want a fresh start in a safer, smaller environment. It is better to have alternative high schools in a separate building rather than part of another high school. The CTEC location is not ideal. In the future, we can look at options and make this part of the District plan. They are going slow and building a strong foundation and are in the process of accreditation. Board members asked questions about options to get the school a building. Diamond Ridge has a lot of pride in their school. Presentation is available on BoardDocs.
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP8Z637609>

D. Proposed Board Meeting Schedule 2017-2018
The proposal schedule was discussed and it was decided to have two board meetings in May. The meetings will be May 8, 2018 and May 22, 2018. Board agendas and agenda policies were discussed.
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP9A637EAF>

2. **Business Meeting – 7:30 pm**

3. **Opening Items**

A. Welcome

B. Approve Agenda for February 21, 2017

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP5P62DDA8>

MOTION: Amber Shill moved to approve the Agenda for February 21, 2017. Steve Wrigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Pledge of Allegiance – Altara Elementary School, Scout Troop 4331

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D. Reverence – Nicole Svee-Magann, Principal, Altara Elementary School

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

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A. The following recognitions were presented:

American Heart Association Award to staff at Corner Canyon High School

Brayden Stevens, Brighton High School, 5A State Wrestling Champ

Shaun Stockwell, Corner Canyon High School, 4A State Wrestling Champ

Eric Murdock, Hillcrest High School, School Counseling Educator of the Year

Georgia Raddon, Brighton High School & Nicole Brooks, Jordan High School – Juror’s Award of Merit,
Springville All State High School Art Show

5. **Patron Comments** - none

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6. **Consent Agenda**

<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP6362DDB7>

A. Approval of Minutes from February 07, 2017

B. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports

C. Approval of Purchasing Bids

D. Approval of Student Overnight Travel

E. Approval of January Financial Reports

F. Approval of Administrative Appointments

MOTION: Chad Iverson moved to approve the Consent Agenda Item 7A Approval of Minutes from February 7, 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 January Financial Reports and Item 7F Approval of Administrative Appointments. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. New Business

- A. New Policy: Policy – Hiring and Exhibit – Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel (Second Reading, Possible Action)
This is the policy on hiring personnel. This is a consolidation of policies into one policy to address the legal requirements in terms of equal opportunity employment and discrimination and also moves a number of procedures into an exhibit for hiring of personnel.
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP6962DDDBD>

MOTION: Steve Wrigley made a motion recommending the Board of Education approve the New Policy – Hiring Personnel Policy & Exhibit – Human Resources Hiring Procedures. Amber Shill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Policy Update: Policies deemed Obsolete: GC – Auxiliary Personnel; GCA – Professional Staff Positions; GCKC – Assignment of Personnel – Jeff Christensen. Assistant Legal Counsel (Second Reading, Possible Action)
These policies did not have any language worth retaining. They deal with staffing procedures that are now obsolete. <http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLPC663EB84>

MOTION: Nancy Tingey made a motion recommending the Board of Education deem the following policies obsolete. Policy-GC-Auxiliary Personnel; Policy-GCA-Professional Staff Positions; Policy-GCKC-Assignment of Personnel. Chad Iverson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Policy Update: Policy – JLCD – Administering Medication to Students – Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel (Second Reading, Possible Action)
This policy addresses administering medication to students. We have added two regulations to our policy. One is for the administration of Narcan for opioid overdose and the second is for a seizure rescue medication.
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLPCK63FA4B>

MOTION: Steve Wrigley made a motion recommending the Board of Education approve the Policy Update on Policy—JLCD—Administering Medication to Students. Mont Millerberg 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=AJLP6B62DDBF>
- B. Business Administrator Report – Leon Wilcox
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AJLP6E62DDC2>

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=AJLP6J62DDC6>

10. Closing Items

- A. Adjourn at 8:20 pm

ATTEST

Sherril Taylor

Board President

James Briscoe

Superintendent