



**CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
June 26, 2018**

The following minutes are a summary of the June 26, 2018 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, June 26, 2018 beginning at 4:17 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
Clareen Arnold, Board Member
Chad Iverson, Board Member
Mont Millerberg, Board Member
Steve Wrigley, Board Member -not present for closed session vote
James Briscoe, Superintendent
Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator
Daniel Harper, General Counsel
Charles Evans, Director External Relations

1. Closed Session – 4:17 pm

- A. For the purpose of discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
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MOTION: Chad Iverson moved to go into closed session for the purpose of discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems. Clareen Arnold seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Study Session – Start time 5:20 pm

- A. Discussion of Superintendent and Board Member Items
- Clareen Arnold led the discussion regarding the CTESS (Canyons Teacher Effectiveness Support System) and Teacher Survey. She indicated that progress has been made but more improvements are needed to further simplify CTESS. A copy of the teacher responses was requested and Dr. Briscoe will provide that for the Board to review. The Board requested the CTESS committee evaluate the program and report in an upcoming meeting.
<http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AZV3D37E8719>
 - The State End-of-Year assessments will be transitioning from SAGE to a new platform. Chad Iverson led the discussion on how Canyons is preparing to implement the new assessments as well as prepare students for this new end-of-year test. The Board requested a report be presented in an upcoming Board of Education meeting about the implementation and the assessment platform benefits.
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- Chad Iverson introduced the topic of Standards Based Grading and the need to evaluate the Elementary practice relative to the Secondary grading practices. He proposed a discussion be scheduled for next fall about Standards Based Grading and if it is the best approach for the Elementary level. Dr. Briscoe discussed the need for an elementary software system that will improve communication with parents and provide information about their student's progress, similar to what is currently being used in secondary schools.
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- Corner Canyon and Willows Springs are currently on an open permit enrollment moratorium. Chad Iverson talked about the potential of moving these schools from moratorium to open enrollment status. The Board would like to study in the upcoming year the feasibility and guidelines to remove the moratorium.
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- Dr. Briscoe provided a summary in the Board Roundtable Discussion binder referencing the accomplishments the District achieved this last year based on the Board adopted indicators and targets. He addressed the importance of looking at the data points that indicate patterns of growth and opportunities to make changes. He recommended that the Board of Education Mission and Vision subcommittee reconvene, reassess and report back to the Board about new targets for 2021.
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- Steve Wrigley opened the topic of Student Social and Emotional Well Being and the importance of creating a balance of academic achievement and emotional well-being for students. Canyons is striving to be at the forefront of providing the programs and support for students. The Board requested an update from Responsive Services which should include a report from counselors indicating what resources will support them best.
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- Mont Millerberg talked about the importance of focusing on closing the achievement gaps through programs such as summer camps in highly impacted elementary schools. A key indicator in closing the achievement gap is to make improvements in early childhood education programs and student education during the first five years. It was suggested to have the Student Achievement topic looked at more regularly by the Board. The Board would like to look at additional programs to those already in place to help close the gap.
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- The Board would like to reconvene the Vision, Mission, and Goals subcommittee to review the Board of Education's Mission, Vision, Values, Indicators and Targets document. The Board discussed what it means to be college and career ready and how that can be measured. There was also discussion on looking at indicators throughout the year instead of once a year with a possible outline of strategic step by step plans for working towards accomplishing the district goals..
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- The Board would like to continue to have the Policy Committee work on reviewing and updating policies. The Board requested a new policy regarding proposals for RDA/CDA's. They specifically would like to include in the policy no single family residential development in future contracted agreements.
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Individual Board Member Comments:

- Nancy Tingey proposed developing a more robust, purposeful and comprehensive District Volunteer program. A district task force to brainstorm strategies to increase the number of volunteers and to draw on the resources in the community will be helpful. Students benefit from community members who are willing to share their time and expertise. There are potential opportunities to bring volunteers from one area to another to help schools that may not have as many volunteer resources. A request was made for

a comprehensive report from SPED Administration about current practices, successes, challenges and plans for improvement. The Board would like to start discussing plans for Canyon School District's 10-year Anniversary Celebration. There was a discussion about having a poll conducted comparing progress of issues from the beginning of the District to the present.

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- Mont Millerberg would like to evaluate the purpose and effectiveness of the Student Advisory Council in the upcoming year. The Board discussed ways the District and Board can more effectively communicate with the students and gather their suggestions. Another issue he addressed was QPR (Question, Persuade and Refer) which is a suicide prevention program that would increase focus on suicide prevention. He also proposed that a quarterly recognition of student's achievements would be more meaningful to congratulate students and their accomplishments throughout the year.
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- Amber Shill presented the idea of Board Professional Development. Canyons is a leader in innovation in the State and the Board wants to make sure Canyons continues to focus on ideas that will keep the District at the forefront. The Board requested a follow up on existing summer programs such as JHS and HHS.
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- Steve Wrigley requested that Janet Goble report at an upcoming Board meeting regarding the Pathways program and address the issues regarding students graduating with a focused direction as part of being college and career ready.
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- Claren Arnold recommended a calendar be provided for the Board members to reference for opportunities to attend district events throughout the year. The Board discussed the possibility of event details being gathered in a central location.
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3. Closing Items

A. Adjourn at **8:15 pm**

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Sherril Taylor

Board President

James Briscoe

Superintendent