



## CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING June 25, 2019

The following minutes are a summary of the June 25, 2019 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 on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 beginning at 4:00 pm at the Canyons Administration Building - East, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

**Those in attendance were:**

Nancy Tingey, Board President  
Amber Shill, Vice President  
Steve Wrigley, Vice President  
Clareen Arnold, Board Member  
Chad Iverson, Board Member  
Mont Millerberg, Board Member  
Amanda Oaks, Board Member  
James Briscoe, Superintendent  
Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator  
Charles Evans, Director of External Relations

The Board of Education discussed the topics and identified possible next steps for the items below. .  
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**1. Study Session – 4:00 pm**

**A. Discussion of Superintendent and Board Member Items**

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- Superintendent Briscoe provided a summary and reviewed highlights of key initiatives and educational programs which have contributed to improved students learning, effective teaching practices, facilities and the overall culture of the district community. He introduced a proposed, revised organization chart and after Board discussion, it will be placed on the consent agenda for July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The recommendation was made to list Directors of High schools, Middle schools and Elementary schools on the updated organizational under school performance.

- Student Achievement

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- There was a discussion about reviewing the Board's Vision and Mission document and looking to include strategies which the administration is using to reach the targets set by the Board. The idea of including an indicator and target for Social and Emotional Learning was discussed..  
The Vision and Mission committee will meet to consider the board suggestions and report back to the Board.

The State Board of Education has recently adopted a "Portrait of a Graduate" document. The Administration will gather more information on the program and will report their findings at a future board meeting.

- Secondary Schools

Additional information on the correlation of High School GPA with ACT scores was requested. Dr. Hal Sanderson will report back to the board in the fall..

The board would like a report at a future study session on career pathways for all students. The Long-Range Planning committee will also be looking at the CTEC programs

The Board requested an update on competency-based education at Middle & High Schools to be given in a future study session...

- Programming and Instruction

Restorative Practices will be addressed by the Policy committee and more information will be brought to the Board at a future study session.

The Long-Range planning committee will be looking at the CTA program, Special Education, and future planning for Youth in Custody and will report to the Board. The Board would like a presentation in a future study session from Special Education on college and career ready modules for students across the District and a comparison with other districts.

The Board requested information be gathered about the benefits of student's physical movement and engagement in the classroom and corresponding best practices. This will be presented at a future study session. .

#### Community Engagement

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- The practice of volunteer check-in/out is a challenge in the Middle and High Schools. The Board asked the Incident Command committee to review this issue and report back to the Board of Education.
- There was discussion about training the community and teachers on gang and drug awareness matters/ The Administration will look at updating the Critical policy training which is conducted annually for all employees.
- The Policy committee will be creating the framework for a Cell Phone Use policy. USBE Rule requires that each school have a policy regarding cell phone use and schools will be instructed to follow the framework set by the District's policy.
- The Board discussed data surveys and the process of obtaining parental consent. They requested the Administration arrange for a representative from Salt Lake County to present information about how these surveys benefit the student and the district.
- It was recommended that the Incident Command committee review and report to the Board on various school safety issues.
- The Board of Education would like a report on information regarding piloting biodegradable lunch trays in the district.

- Customer Service

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- The Board discussed the selection process of the Student Advisory Council and the Council's role in advising the Board. Dr. Robert Dowdle will obtain ideas from

the Council on how their service can be more meaningful and requested topics from the Board for the council meetings this upcoming school year. The Board values the viewpoints from the students on subject matters concerning the students.

- The Board requested a report on the current status of middle school activities and athletics and how they align with the District's middle school philosophy.
- Innovation
  - <http://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BDBNJY6017E3>
    - The Board discussed the idea of increasing the District grant applications and requested a report on what grants we are receiving, what grants we have potential to receive and how other districts in the state use grant writing specialists.
    - An update on Art in the classroom and Accelerated Learner programs will be discussed in upcoming study sessions
    - Board members would like to discuss in an upcoming study session what public education will look like in ten to fifteen years.
    - The District Technology Plan update and implementation was included in the Roundtable binder.
- Fiscal Accountability
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    - The Board requested a study session report on what preparations are being made for a potential recession.
    - The Board of Education would like to extend an invitation to Representative Robert Spendlove and Senator Kirk Cullimore to share an update on the Legislative Tax Reform Task Force at a future Board meeting.
- Board Operations
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    - The Board members recapped the recent graduation exercises. They would like to receive feedback from principals about administrative and board members continuing to give speeches at graduations.
    - The Board discussed how to improve or change Board meetings. The proposal was made to change Study Session start time to 4:30pm and the Business meeting start time to 7:00pm. The 2019-20 Board Meeting Schedule will be updated to reflect these changes and be on the July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Consent Agenda. The recommendation was made to limit recognitions to 20 minutes. The Board members would like to continue with Board comments during the business meeting but will be mindful of their time speaking. The Communications Department will add a place on the Public comment sign-up sheet for patrons to add their contact information if they would like follow up information.
    - Process for Proposals for Board consideration
      - The Board discussed their roles on Board Committees and Administrative committees. It was clarified that when a board member serves on a Board committee, the work of the committee is brought to the Board for further consideration and action. A board member serving on an administrative committee offers perspective to the committee discussion, however, does not vote on committee decisions.

- The Board agreed to schedule a mid-year study session to reflect on what items from the summer roundtable meeting have been addressed and to follow up on the remaining priorities.
- There are Board members that feel decision making is rushed on certain topics at times and would like to adhere to the practice of three readings for proposals.
- Board Professional Development
  - The Board would like to discuss insights from NSBA and USBA Conferences in a study session shortly after the conferences.
  - Board members would like to discuss working on the USBA Master Board Award during an upcoming study session.
  - Amber Shill recommended that a subcommittee be formed to work on a Board Handbook to reference and give to new Board members.

## 2. Closing Items

A. Adjourn 10:00 pm

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	James Briscoe	Superintendent