

Minutes of School Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 7, 1999
District Office, Huntington, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Laurel Johansen, Roger Swenson, Sharman Seamons, Royd Hatt and Marie Johnson. Also present were Kirk Sitterud, Superintendent and Ross Huntington, Business Administrator.

Motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the warrants and minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The following bids for the parking lot project at Emery High School (EHS) were reviewed and discussed: Sinbad Construction Co. \$65,193.05; B. Hansen Construction Co., \$71,738; and Mike Riley Construction Co. \$54,360. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the bid of Mike Riley Construction Co., pending proof of proper insurances and delivery of performance and payment bonds. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian Dawes, Cheerleader Advisor at EHS was welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Dawes requested that the Board change the District policy on the use of buses during the summer months. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to table the matter until the Board has had the opportunity to study the matter. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended that Dixie Fielder be hired as the In-school Suspension Coordinator at EHS for next school year. A motion was made by Roger Swenson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Randy Orwin as the Library Media Teacher at EHS. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Roger Swenson to approve the recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud updated the Board on recent developments with health insurance. Following that information, Peggy Johnson, Chairman of the Insurance Committee, informed the Board that the committee recommended the District support the Utah School Boards Association bidding pool and accept Educators Mutual Medical High Option Plan and also their dental insurance premium bid. Mrs. Johnson then recommended that the District also switch life insurance carriers to Beneficial Life. Beneficial is offering more than twice the coverage for the same premium. Marie Johnson made the motion to approve the recommendation of the committee, with the stipulation that should the cost of Educators premium rise to \$600 per family per month, the committee will re-evaluate. Royd Hatt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board/ Administration retreat was revisited. Among the issues to be discussed, the Board would like to cover three key issues; student achievement, teacher evaluations and public relations. The retreat will be held sometime in September.

A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Roger Swenson that the Superintendent be authorized to submit on behalf of the school district an application for class size reduction funds under Utah IASA Title VI b. Motion passed unanimously.

A tentative schedule for opening institute, which will be held August 23rd, was reviewed. The keynote speaker will be State Superintendent Steve Laing.

A motion was made by Sharman Seamons and seconded by Marie Johnson to adjourn to executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening to regular session, a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve a one year medical leave of absence for Pat Quarnberg. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sharman Seamons to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.