Minutes of the School Board Meeting Wednesday, May 3, 2000 Emery High School, Castle Dale, Utah

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

A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sharman Seamons to approve the warrants and minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Brent Arnold, Principal at Emery High School was welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Arnold reported on the many awards won by students during the past year. He reported that two senior students, Michele McNeel and Melinda Wells, would be graduating from Emery High and also from the College of Eastern Utah this month. While attending Emery High, Miss McNeel and Miss Wells have earned sufficient credits through advanced placement classes and concurrent enrollment classes to be awarded their associate degrees. The Board thanked Mr. Arnold for his commitment to academic excellence and for his many years of service to the District.

Emery Jones and four Peer Helpers reported on their recent trip to Kentucky to the national convention. The four young women told the Board what a wonderful learning experience they had while at the convention and then thanked them for their support in allowing them to go.

Following Superintendent Sitterud's recommendation, a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Roger Swenson to approve Larry Davis as the new principal at Canyon View Jr. High. Motion passed unanimously.

A letter from Karen Dellos requesting participation in the early retirement program was presented to the Board. After the Superintendent recommended accepting her request, a motion was made by Roger Swenson and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sharman Seamons to approve the School Trust Land Committee plans of Huntington Elementary, Book Cliff Elementary, Green River High, Canyon View Jr. High, Emery High, Cleveland Elementary and Ferron Elementary Schools. Motion passed unanimously.

An Emergency Management Procedures Checklist was presented to the Board for review and comment at a later date.

The Business Administrator presented information about the 17.5% increase in health insurance premium costs and the 10% increase in dental insurance premium costs. Both changes will be effective September 1st.

Several parents with students at Huntington Elementary were welcomed to the meeting. They expressed concern over next years staffing at the school. They were asked to meet with Mr. Baltzer, the Principal, and try to resolve the issues.

A motion was made by Sharman Seamons and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues and possible litigation.

Upon reconvening to general session a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Roger Swenson to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.