

Minutes of the Board of Education  
Emery County School District  
Wednesday, July 18, 2001  
Castle Valley Center, Price, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM. Members present were Laurel Johansen, Royd Hatt, Marie Johnson, Sam Singleton and Rue Ware. Others present were Kirk Sitterud, Superintendent and Ross Huntington, Business Administrator.

A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the warrants and minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Sandra Hansen, Acting Principal, welcomed the Board to the Castle Valley Center. She reported that there are about 25 kids from Emery County in attendance at the Center and expressed appreciation for them and for the Emery County School District. She also explained about the new community based home for adults where they are taught skills to help them function throughout their lives. She invited everyone to visit the "Sensory Room" which is the envy of similar centers across the state.

A resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of \$1.275 million in Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2001, was reviewed and discussed. A motion was then made by Rue Ware and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the resolution and authorize the Board President and the Business Administrator to sign all documents necessary to complete the transaction. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

A brief explanation of improvements to the Green River High School parking lot was given by Ross Huntington. Dan Harrison of High Desert Excavation has agreed to do the necessary improvements for \$11,840. This will provide a 200' by 200' parking area east of the school. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the contract with Mr. Harrison. Motion passed unanimously.

Next on the agenda was a discussion of district owned properties in Emery and Elmo and what to do with them. Following consideration of the various options a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to maintain the status quo with both properties. Motion passed unanimously.

Corrine Dalton, Emery Chapter FFA Advisor and two students, Rachael Staley and Hannah Anderson were welcomed to the meeting. They requested Board permission for seven students to travel to Wyoming and Idaho by leased coach bus on an educational and fun trip July 24-27. A motion was then made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the trip. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud informed the Board that a contract had been signed with the Southeastern Utah District Health Department, provider of School Nursing Services, for the period July 1, 2001 thru June 30, 2002 in the amount of \$40,000.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the following for hire with the Emery District: Laurel Nielsen, part-time custodian at Emery High School; DeeAnn Meadows, Karmin Ford and Nancy Mitchell, Child Nutrition at Green River and Natalee Anderson, Child Nutrition at Ferron Elementary and San

Rafael Jr High Schools; Tiffany Nelson, part-time physical education at Canyon View Jr High School and that JJ Grant be added to the District Safety Committee. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the recommendations. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The Superintendent informed the Board that Suzanne Hansen, PE and Health teacher at Canyon View Jr High and Linda Aten, English teacher at Green River High School were both expected to resign, although neither had submitted a letter at this time.

Superintendent Sitterud recommend the appointment of board member Rue Ware to serve on the regional board of the Applied Technology Center and Service Region. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to accept the recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board authorized Superintendent Sitterud to sign and submit the district's grant application for federal class-size reduction money (\$78,118) by unanimous vote following a motion by Marie Johnson and a second by Royd Hatt.

Approval for the Castle Valley Pageant to use school buses to transport spectators was recommended by the Superintendent provided proof of insurance and mileage reimbursement requirements are met. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to accept the recommendation. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Superintendent Sitterud introduced the Board to a new custodial and maintenance safety program the district would like to participate in the next two years. The computer-based training would provide safety awareness training at the employees work site. Training would take 20-30 minutes per month for each employee. It is the hope that the training will increase safety awareness of employees and will help to reduce insurance risks.

Irene Allred, President of the Emery Classified Employees Association was welcomed to the meeting. Mrs. Allred requested the Board approve two additional days of personal leave for all classified employees, indicating it would boost morale, relieve personal stress, increase productivity and increase loyalty between the district and classified employees. The board thanked Mrs. Allred for her presentation and informed her they would take the matter under advisement.

Kerry Lake from the maintenance department presented bid information on the sealing of 11,921 feet of expansion joints in the parking lot at Emery High School. Mike Riley Construction Company will contract the job for \$7,391.02 provided the district pay him \$1,500 prior to starting the project. Irene Allred stated the only other bid was from "Park City" at \$0.89 per lineal foot. After some discussion, a motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the bid of Mike Riley Construction Co. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues and possible litigation. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening to general session a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

