

Minutes of the School Board Meeting
Thursday, March 1, 2001
Cleveland Elementary, Cleveland, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Members present were Laurel Johansen, Marie Johnson and Sam Singleton. Others present were Kirk Sitterud, Superintendent and Ross Huntington, Business Administrator.

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

Newly elected Board Member, Rue Ware, who was confined to the Utah Valley Hospital, was sworn into office by Ross Huntington over the telephone. Jon Crawford, representing the school district, was with Mr. Ware in his hospital room and witnessed that it was in fact Mr. Ware who raised his right hand and repeated the oath of office. Three of Mr. Ware's daughters were in the audience to witness the event.

Dan Wells, Principal at Cleveland Elementary was welcomed to the meeting. He and teachers, Dee Ann Ward and Maryella Fowler, represented information about the many exciting things happening at their school. Mrs. Ward reported about the recently held "Artist in Residence" program which focused on dance this year. Mrs. Fowler reported on testing results and the progress being made in teaching children vocabulary, reading and literacy. Mr. Wells thanked the board for all of their support. In turn, the board thanked Mr. Wells and his staff for their devotion to the education of children.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the board approve the requests for early retirement from Lynn Huntsman, teacher at Ferron Elementary; Sharon Jensen, secretary at Ferron Elementary; and Deloris Tucker, lunch room manager at Huntington Elementary. A motion was made by Sam Singleton to approve the recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

Kendra Seagers, FFA Advisor and three of her students, Kade Allred, Crystal Anderson and Jennifer Ewell, were also welcomed to the meeting. The students, all eighth graders, requested permission to attend the FFA state convention in Logan at the end of March. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to allow the eighth grade students to attend the convention, provided they be accompanied by the required amount of chaperons. Motion passed unanimously.

The Rodeo Club, represented by Carson Grimm, Hank Allred and their advisor Evelyn Allred, requested a donation and/or sponsorship from the Board to help them fund their rodeo in April. After discussion, Mrs. Johansen thanked them for their input and advised them that the Board would take the matter under consideration.

Carol Ediger, President of the Emery Education Association, requested that the Board consider the possibility of establishing the last Friday of the first three school terms as minimum days so that teachers can use the time to prepare report cards and that the third Friday in May also be

established as a minimum day to allow teachers to prepare report cards, permanent records , inventories and purchase orders that are due before the end of the school year. Mrs. Ediger was advised that the board will look into the matter and determine the feasibility of the proposal.

A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel items and possible litigation. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening from executive session, a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Laurel Johansen to send a bill to the Grand County School Board, by certified mail, billing them for educational services provided by the Emery County School District last school year to students who reside in Grand County but attend schools in Emery County. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.