

Minutes of the Board of Education  
Emery County School District  
August 11, 2004  
District Office, Huntington, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board Vice President Rue Ware. Other Board members present were Marie Johnson, Sam Singleton, and Royd Hatt. Others present were Kirk Sitterud, Superintendent, and Ross Huntington, Business Administrator.

The press was represented by Cory Bluemel of the Emery County Progress. Carol Ediger represented the Emery Education Association.

A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the warrants, minutes, and the July Financial Report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Huntington reminded the Board about the annual requirement to notify workers, building occupants, parents and/or legal guardians about District activities concerning asbestos containing materials. Management plans are located in each of the schools and the District Office and are available for public inspection during normal business hours. As a part of the local notification process the District is also required to publish notification in the local paper. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the notification process. The motion passed unanimously.

Dave Gneiting, Loss Control Coordinator for the Utah School Boards Association Risk Management Mutual Insurance Association was welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Gneiting requested the Board authorize the establishment of a safety committee to work with him in creating a safety policy for the District. After some discussion on the matter, a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson in support of the concept, to expand the existing safety committee so that all employee groups are represented, and to begin the process of developing a district safety policy. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the Workers' Compensation Policy (GBCBA) was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Policy (GCBDC) was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

Recognizing the need for additional time to receive input from the principals, a motion to table approval of the Building Rental Policy (ECA) until the next Board meeting, scheduled for September 1, 2004, was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion duly made by Royd Hatt, seconded by Sam Singleton, and passed by unanimous vote, the following tax rates for 2004 were approved:

State Basic Levy	.001800
Voted Leeway	.000776
Board Leeway (Class Size Reduction)	.000420
Board Leeway (Reading program)	.000065
Transportation	.000153
Tort Liability	.000022
Recreation	.000445
General Obligation Debt	.000345
Capital Outlay Foundation	.001410
Ten percent of Basic	.000634

The total tax rate is .006070, which is down from last years' rate of .006228 and is the lowest tax rate in over a decade.

The following bids for a tractor were then considered: Genco Mine Service, Huntington, Utah, \$12,950; Hermansen's Equipment. Inc., Ephraim, Utah, \$13,900. Noting different model numbers, different years of manufacture, a difference in the type of rear tires and a difference of one horsepower in the model types it was the choice of the Board to purchase from the local business. A motion was then made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to accept the bid of Genco Mine Service of \$12,950. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended Genet Orme be hired as the new Family and Consumer Science teacher at Green River High School for the next school year. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the recommendation.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board approve the coaching assignments as listed on Exhibit A (*which is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes*). A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended approval of the following policies: Supplementary Materials Selection (Movies and Videos), IIAB; Electronic Communication Device Use By Students, JQ; Assignment to Coaching Positions, GCIA; and, Use of District Owned Vehicles, EEBA. A motion was then made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board approve a fee increase for private placements in District preschools. He recommended fees be increased from \$60 to \$70 each month for children attending four (4) days per week. He recommended fees be increased from \$30 to \$40 each month for children attending two (2) days per week. He also recommended a \$5 discount

be granted for paying by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sam Singleton to accept the Superintendent's recommendations. The motion passed unanimously.

The Superintendent informed the Board that the name of the Applied Technology Education program will now be referred to as the "Career and Technology Education" Program. He also informed them that Ashlin White, a student from San Rafael Jr. High School recently placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Nation in the Illustrated Talk competition at the National FCCLA Convention. The Board instructed the Superintendent to write Ashlin a letter of congratulations.

He presented the Board with the first draft of the next three-year calendar and asked them to review it and make any comments they might have. He gave board members a letter from Superior Water and Air, a company from Salt Lake City, concerning water filtration systems in the public schools.

The following meetings will be held in conjunction with the start of the new school year:

Hazardous Material Training - August 17<sup>th</sup> - 9am -12 noon  
Administrative Council - August 17<sup>th</sup> - 1- 4 pm  
New Teacher Orientation - August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>  
Substitute Training - August 19<sup>th</sup>  
Opening Institute - August 24<sup>th</sup>  
First Day of School - August 25<sup>th</sup>

The last item of the Superintendent's report was about No Child Left Behind. Adequate Yearly Progress reports are due to the District September 15<sup>th</sup>. We then have thirty (30) days to review and make any changes in designations. The report will be released to the public about October 15<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:40PM..