

Minutes of the Board of Education
Emery County School District
October 6, 2004
Green River High School, Green River, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 5:00PM. Members present were Laurel Johansen, Rue Ware, Sam Singleton, Marie Johnson and Royd Hatt. Also present was Superintendent Kirk Sitterud and Business Administrator, Ross Huntington.

The press was represented by Cory Bluemel of the Emery County Progress. The Classified Employees Association was represented by Kayce Fluckey. Several members of the community were also present.

Laurel Johansen, Board President, welcomed all present to the meeting. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the warrants, minutes, and the September financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Laurel Johansen then presented Shellie Anderson, a Special Education Teacher at Green River High School, with an employee recognition award for her tireless efforts to help students succeed.

Next item on the agenda was the Principal's report. Nolan Johnson, Principal at both Book Cliff Elementary and Green River High Schools was welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Johnson asked Board Members to briefly review the accreditation report from last spring and told them about the lengthy accreditation process.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board donate a relocatable classroom to the Green River Community Center with the understanding that they pay all expenses and assume all liability for moving the trailer to Green River from Ferron. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the donation. The motion passed unanimously.

Christine Monroe, Director of the Community Center, was on hand and thanked the Board for the donation.

The annual audit report was presented and briefly reviewed. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Marie Johnson to accept the auditor's report. The motion passed unanimously.

Following a brief discussion a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve a budget of \$93,750 for the students to build a house on Lot # 16 of Castle Heights Subdivision with the understanding that \$21,220 of that amount is reserved for property, marketing and program costs and \$72,530 is for construction costs. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the following personnel be approved for hire with the District: Deanna Jennings, 19 ½ hour adult education teacher; Alton Hassel, 12 hour adult education aide; and Jamie Jensen, 15 hour educational assistant at Cleveland Elementary. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board accept the retirement request of Mike Huntsman, Director of Buildings and Grounds, and approve his participation in the early retirement program. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the updated Consolidated Student Achievement Plan (2004-05) which contains updates on demographics, test data, budgets, Reading Plan and assurances. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

A request from Mike Kava, the automotive teacher at Emery High School, to take five students to a competition and training in New Mexico was considered. Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board grant approval of the trip pending transportation and financial issues are addressed satisfactorily. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the request. The motion passed unanimously.

The Superintendent informed the Board that U-PASS Performance Reports are now available on-line on the USOE web page. The AYP reports under "No Child Left Behind" will be released to the public on November 1.

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

Upon reconvening to general session a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.