

Minutes of the Board of Education
Emery County School District
June 21, 2005
District Office, Huntington, Utah

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

Jed Jensen, Elementary Supervisor, JJ Grant, Secondary Supervisor, and LeRoy Maxfield, Building and Grounds Supervisor, were also present. The press was represented by Cory Bluemel of the Emery County Progress.

Following a welcome by Laurel Johansen, a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the warrants and minutes for May, and the financial reports for both April and May. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Rue Ware to adjourn to a public hearing to receive input on the proposed tentative budget for fiscal year 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

Ross Huntington explained the salient points of the proposed budget. Neal Peacock asked several questions, primarily about the increase in expenditures for supplies. Mr. Huntington explained that the increase was due to a change in accounting as required by the independent auditor. Some expenses previously charged to the capital outlay fund were now required to be recorded in the general fund.

The Board President declared the hearing closed and the general session reconvened. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2006 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn to a public hearing to receive public comment on opening and adjusting the budget for fiscal year 2005 which ends June 30th. The motion passed unanimously.

Ross Huntington explained that during the year there had been a number of changes in revenues and subsequently expenditures in various programs which makes it necessary to adjust budgets for those programs. There were no relevant comments made and the Board President declared the hearing closed.

A motion was then made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sam Singleton to authorize the business administrator to adjust fiscal year 2005 budgets to actual. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the following people for hire: Dean Stilson, teacher at Canyon View Jr High School (CVJHS), effective 8/22; Jennie Lin Allinson, teacher at Ferron Elementary, effective 8/22; John Hughes, teacher at Book Cliff Elementary, effective 8/22; Susan Wilde, Family and Consumer Science teacher at Green River High School (GRHS), effective 8/22; Doug Mecham, one-half day counselor at CVJHS, effective 8/15; Christine Hunt, counselor at Emery High School (EHS) and San Rafael Jr. High School (SRJHS), effective 8/15; Richie Hansen, Head Custodian at GRHS, effective 7/1; and, Nancy Martinez, Athletic Director at EHS, effective 8/24. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to approve these people for hire. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board accept the resignation of Patrick Brady, the science teacher at GRHS and Kathy Brady, his wife, an educational assistant also at GRHS. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Laurel Johansen to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

The School Trust Land Plan submitted by SRJHS was approved by unanimous vote following a motion by Laurel Johansen and a second by Royd Hatt.

Sam Singleton made a motion to approve technical and terminology revisions to the following policies: GCPCAB, Purchase of Service Credit (change the deadline date to match the deadline to apply for Early Retirement of March 1); AFC/GCN, Evaluation of Professional Staff (change the date for evaluations to be completed to match the district evaluation plan, January 15 rather than December 15); GCDAB/GDDAB, Post-Retirement Employment (changes and additions to match Utah Retirement System restrictions); JN, Student Fees, Fines, and Charges (updated to match legislative requirements); IICA, Field Trips and Excursions (revised to include a mileage allocation for field trips and activities); and GCEA, Arrangement of Substitute Teachers (updated to match changes in terminology from "certified" to " licensed"). Rue Ware seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the following pay rates for substitute teachers beginning next school year:

	Licensed - \$55.00 per day
	Non-licensed - \$45.00 per day
	Non-licensed, with district training - \$50.00 per day
days,	Long-term substituting (beginning on the 21st day and up thru 60
day	consecutive, for the same teacher) - \$75.00 per
teacher) -	Long-term substituting (beginning with the 61 st day, for the same
	beginning teacher salary, with no benefits.

A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to accept the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to rent buses to the Castle Valley Pageant with the stipulation that they provide the district a certificate of liability insurance and pay the appropriate rental fees. The motion passed unanimously.

The following bids for a heating system retro-fit at CVJHS were considered: Johnson Controls, \$69,863; Yamas Controls, \$64,297; and, Atkinson Electronics, \$62,800. LeRoy Maxfield recommended the Board approve the bid of Atkinson Electronics at \$62,800. It is Web based, can be monitored by the Maintenance Department from their location as well as at the school, and is the same system currently installed at EHS. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Royd Hatt to award the bid to Atkinson Electronics. The motion passed unanimously.

Ross Huntington informed the Board about the fire that occurred at Ferron Elementary on Saturday the 18th of June. The fire appears to have started spontaneously in a pile of waste material stacked outside next to a brick wall. Damage was limited to the exterior of the building. The estimated cost for cleanup and repairs is \$2000-\$3,000.

Neal Peacock gave a brief update on the status of the proposed new swimming pool. He stated that he had been in contact with the owner of some property located near EHS which had been suggested as a possible location for the new pool. The owner asked Mr. Peacock to submit a proposal to him for consideration.

A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn to executive session to discuss collective bargaining, personnel issues, and possible litigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening to general session, a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.