

Minutes of the Board of Education  
Emery County School District  
May 3, 2006  
Huntington Elementary School, 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, Marie Johnson, and Rue Ware. Also present were Superintendent Kirk Sitterud and Business Administrator Ross Huntington.

J.J. Grant, Secondary Supervisor, Jed Jensen, Elementary Supervisor, Jon Crawford, Director of Student Services, and LeRoy Maxfield, Director of Buildings and Grounds, were present as well. Carol Ediger represented the Emery Education Association and Kayce Fluckey represent the Emery School Employees Association. The press was not represented.

A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to approve the warrants, minutes, and the March Financial Report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud presented Lee Moss, Science Teacher at Emery High School (EHS) with the "Teacher of the Year" award. Lee began his teaching career at Canyon View Jr. High School in 1990. He transferred to EHS in 2004 where he teaches Physics and Chemistry. Superintendent Sitterud said about Lee, "he has an exceptional ability to make a positive impact on the lives of kids. He truly loves and cares about them." Lee and his wife Stacy have four children, Margui 11, McKlayne 10, Mason 7, and Malone 5. The family resides in Orangeville.

Tom Baltzer, Principal at Huntington Elementary was excused from the meeting due to a death in the family. Mr. Baltzer submitted his report in writing which was distributed to the Board.

Jackie Wilson, Mayor of Huntington City, was welcomed to the meeting. Mrs. Wilson requested community use of district owned buildings, i.e, Canyon View Jr. High School and Huntington Elementary School during emergencies. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the request and designate the building principals as the contact persons with J.J. Grant and Jed Jensen as secondary contacts. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud asked Mayor Wilson if it would be agreeable for the schools to use City Hall in the event of a school emergency. Mrs. Wilson indicated that would be acceptable.

Chris Thompson, representing J.U.B. Engineering, was next on the agenda. Mr. Thompson together with Mr. Kay Jensen of the Huntington-Cleveland Irrigation Company requested an easement thru district owned property in Elmo. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the 30' easement, 65' during the construction phase, and authorize the Business Administrator to execute all the necessary documents. The motion passed unanimously.

The following bids for asbestos abatement at San Rafael Jr. High School (SRJHS) and Cottonwood Elementary Schools (CES) were reviewed: Thermal West, \$48,500; Eagle Environmental, \$37,889; Rocmont Industrial Corp., \$32,500; and, Fresh Air Environmental Solutions, \$28,968. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to award the bid to the apparent low bidder, Fresh Air Environmental for \$28,968. The motion passed unanimously.

Two bids for carpet and floor tile at SRJHS and CES were reviewed: Affordable Flooring, \$34,132.62; and Kevin's Abbey Carpet, \$34,990.30. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to award the bid to Affordable Flooring at \$34,132.62, the apparent low bidder. The motion passed unanimously.

The bid opening for the auxiliary gym at Green River High School was delayed until May 9, 2006 at the request of the architect and several contractors. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to call a special meeting of the Board for Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. at the District Office for the sole purpose of considering and possibly awarding the bid. The motion passed unanimously.

After careful consideration of District finances, a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to adopt Resolution 05-03-2006 (*a copy is attached and is a part of these minutes*), which provides for the voters to increase the voted leeway tax levy from .0008 to .0016 at the next general election, June 27, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

Jon Crawford, Director of Student Services, requested Board approval for a one-half day Special Education Self-Contained Unit for grades 3 thru 6 at Castle Dale Elementary beginning next school year. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the new self-contained unit. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board accept the retirement notice of Bob Wagoner, Special Education Teacher at EHS; the notice of resignation from Blake Butler, Social Studies Teacher at SRJHS; and the notice of resignation from Mary Ann Luke, Elementary Teacher at Book Cliff Elementary. A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to accept the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Marie Johnson made a motion that was seconded by Sam Singleton to approve District Policy BDAA (Electronic Meeting Policy). The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended Board approval of 2006-07 School Trust Land Plans and District Block Grant Plans. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Marie Johnson to accept the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

It was decided that Board Members Laurel Johansen, Marie Johnson, and Rue Ware would hand out diplomas at Emery High School. Royd Hatt will hand out diplomas at Green River High School (GRHS). Sam Singleton will attend the graduation ceremony at GRHS

Superintendent Sitterud reminded board members of the dinner on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> for Secondary Science Teachers, Superintendents, Board Members, Secondary Principals, and Secondary Supervisors where BYU will give an overview of the “Nature of Science” (Evolution) Workshop they will be presenting to secondary science teachers the following day.

A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss a personnel matter and possible litigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening to general session a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.