

The October 2009 meeting of the Emery County School District Board of Education, held at Book Cliff Elementary School, was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Vice-President Royd Hatt, Sam Singleton and Nanette Tanner. Marie Johnson was absent. Superintendent Kirk Sitterud was present as was Business Administrator Jared Black. President Johansen welcomed all in attendance and led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Action Item (B1): Members of the Board considered the warrants as well as the minutes for the September 2009 Board meeting and the financial reports for August 2009. A motion was made by Royd Hatt to approve the warrants, minutes and financial reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Sam Singleton and carried by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (B2): Superintendent Sitterud recommended to the Board that the following individuals be approved for the positions indicated, having begun their employment on the day indicated:

<i>Heather Stilson:</i>	<i>Drill Team Advisor</i>	<i>Emery High</i>	<i>September 1st</i>
<i>Lacey Branson:</i>	<i>Assistant Drill Team Advisor</i>	<i>Emery High</i>	<i>September 1st</i>
<i>MinaJean Mickelsen:</i>	<i>School Lunch Worker, 3.5 hrs</i>	<i>Book Cliff Elementary</i>	<i>September 15th</i>

A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Nanette Tanner to approve the hiring recommendation as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (B3): Mr. Sitterud presented vending contracts from Emery High, San Rafael Junior High and Canyon View Junior High for approval from the Board. He explained that the new State Board rule and District policy require board approval of these contracts annually. Green River High does not have contracts for vending. Royd Hatt motioned to approve the vending contracts as presented. Nanette Tanner seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (B4): Mr. Sitterud next presented school improvement plans, reading plans and staff development plans from all schools in the District. He explained that a new law requires Board approval of these plans each year. He has read all of the plans and also spoke with Board member Johnson, who requested that all schools have a budget associated with their HB312 reading plan, which will be done over the next few days. He asked if other Board members had questions or input. President Johansen commented that she was impressed with the amount of detail in several of the plans. Sam Sitterud made a motion to approve the plans. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (B5): Mr. Black explained that the County would like approval to rent buses from the District for several annual events. Because these events are recurring, he is recommending that the Board consider approving them on an ongoing basis to avoid the future need for Board approval of each bus rental request. There are five recurring events being requested for approval now, with more to come later. These five events are:

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- Bike Festival (weekend of the week before Memorial Day each year)
- Marathon (2nd weekend in September)
- Fun Run (weekend of the County Fair)
- County Fair & Rodeo (to bus residents from Green River)
- Swimming Pool (to bus residents from Green River up to once a month)

After brief discussion about these events, Royd Hatt motioned to approve these five events for recurring bus rental. Nanette Tanner seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Reports Item (C1): Principal Nolan Johnson thanked the Board for coming to Green River for their meeting. He asked Melinda Durrant to update the Board on the status of one of the teachers in Green River who has been having some health problems. After this update, he mentioned that Melinda as well as John Hughes are working on their administrative endorsements and are completing internships under his guidance. He also has a student teacher working for him who is a prior graduate of Green River High School. Mr. Johnson expressed how much pride and appreciation he has for his staff, noting their excellence and professionalism. President Johansen thanked Mr. Johnson for his work as Principal of two schools in the District.

Reports Item (C2): Superintendent Sitterud reported that enrollment is up by over 60 students from last year, which is great for the District. He updated the Board on the process of getting background checks done as required by law. The District Office has individuals trained to do these checks and all support staff are on a 6 year rotation. He reminded members of the Board of the upcoming USBA Regional Meeting which will be held in Price on Tuesday, October 13th. He also discussed an upcoming "Regional Education Roundtable" which is a meeting designed to discuss education issues including No Child Left Behind. Last, he provided the Board with a copy of the report from the drug, alcohol and tobacco use survey conducted by USOE and the health department.

Reports Item (C3): Mr. Black reported to the Board that the financial audit was recently completed and it went well. An official report will be given to the Board in the next meeting and the auditors will be present for that report. He also mentioned that the District received a lot of positive feedback on the recent wellness challenge. The District now has a wellness committee with representatives from most schools and these types of healthy living competitions will continue.

Public Comments (D): Board President Johansen invited members of the public to make comments. No comments were given.

At 5:35 p.m., a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to move to a closed meeting to discuss the character and professional competence of individuals. Member voting on this motion was as follows:

- Laurel Johansen Aye
- Royd Hatt Aye
- Sam Singleton Aye
- Nanette Tanner Aye

Certification of Closed Executive Session (Utah Code 52-4-206)

I, Laurel Johansen, President of the Emery County School District Board of Education, certify and swear that the purpose of the above closed executive session was to review and discuss the character and professional competence of an individual. Under the code referenced above, a closed executive session discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual is exempt from recording requirements and therefore, this portion of the closed executive session was not recorded.

Laurel Johansen

At 6:00 p.m., upon reconvening in regular meeting, a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by President Johansen to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.