

Emery County School District | Board of Education

The September 2009 meeting of the Emery County School District Board of Education, held at Emery High School, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Marie Johnson, Sam Singleton and Nanette Tanner. Board Vice-President Royd Hatt 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 (C1): Members of the Board considered the warrants as well as the minutes for the August 2009 Board meeting. A motion was made by Marie Johnson to approve the warrants and minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Sam Singleton and carried by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (C2): Superintendent Sitterud next presented the following policy revision to the Board, recommending that it be approved as presented:

- **GDFDA: Background Checks – Support Staff** – Revised to match information about who is responsible for paying for the background checks and to include volunteers.

Nanette Tanner motioned to approve the policy revisions as presented. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (C3): Mr. Sitterud recommended to the Board that the following individuals be approved for the positions indicated, beginning employment on the day indicated:

<i>Lucy Robinson:</i>	<i>Counselor</i>	<i>Various Locations</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Krista Johnson:</i>	<i>CNP Worker, 2 Hr.</i>	<i>Canyon View Junior High</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Trudy Cox:</i>	<i>Special Ed Asst., 3 Hr.</i>	<i>San Rafael Junior High</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Dawnette Gordon:</i>	<i>Special Ed Asst., 3 Hr.</i>	<i>Huntington Elementary</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Katie Fabert:</i>	<i>Special Ed Asst., 3 Hr.</i>	<i>Book Cliff Elementary</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Antonella Funk:</i>	<i>Kindergarten Ed Asst., 3 Hr.</i>	<i>Ferron Elementary</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Kacie Joe Healy:</i>	<i>Library Ed Asst., 3 Hr.</i>	<i>Ferron Elementary</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Jennifer Jorgensen:</i>	<i>Construction Program Asst.</i>	<i>Emery High</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Cheryl Ungerman:</i>	<i>Special Ed Asst., 3 Hr.</i>	<i>Canyon View Junior High</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</i>
<i>Kathy Brady:</i>	<i>Counselor Ed Asst.</i>	<i>Green River High</i>	<i>Beginning of 09-10 year</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 (C4): Superintendent Sitterud presented a recommendation to approve athletic schedules for the 2009-10 school year, including trips on the schedule that are over 150 miles. Approved mileage would be lower than last year. The schedules presented included Emery High football, volleyball, tennis, swimming, cross country, golf, baseball, softball, wrestling, basketball and track and Green River High baseball, volleyball, and basketball. Marie Johnson motioned to approve the athletic schedules and trips as presented. Nanette Tanner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Board Action Item (C5): Mr. Black presented a request for leave under the Family & Medical Leave Act on behalf of Jessie Ward, teacher at Huntington Elementary. He explained that she is requesting leave from September 21st to December 13th for medical reasons. She does qualify for Family Medical Leave. Board member Johnson asked if the Elementary has arranged for a substitute. Elementary Supervisor Jed Jensen responded that they have somebody in mind but it is not yet finalized. Sam Singleton made a motion to approve the leave as requested. Nanette Tanner seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (C6): Principal Davis of Emery High has received a request from the Mine Workers Association to rent the auditorium and cafeteria on December 19th for a 25th Anniversary program of the Wilberg Mine Disaster. He recommended that the Board waive any fees associated with this rental. Nanette Tanner made a motion to approve a fee waiver for this building rental request. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Reports Item (D1): Principal Larry Davis reported on Emery High School, first discussing the Desired Results for Student Learning, which focus on reading, writing, math and integrity. His administrative goals include applying data toward improving instruction, updating technology in classrooms, improving school culture and continuing efforts to make Emery High drug, tobacco and alcohol free. Principal Davis also mentioned several noteworthy items. The math club now has over 30 members and is initiating a peer tutoring program. A+ credit recovery is now available in the school library which will be an excellent resource. The school has safety week planned for September 8-11 and will include drills for fire, gas leak, earthquake and lockdown emergencies. Mr. Davis also expressed his appreciation for his faculty and staff. President Johansen thanked Principal Davis for his report.

Reports Item (D2): Superintendent Sitterud reported that for the first time in about 20 years, the District has a significant enrollment increase. On the first day of school, enrollment was up by 72 students over the October 1st count from last year. Cleveland Elementary is being recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School under No Child Left Behind. Principal Clark and one teacher will be traveling to Washington, DC in November to accept the award. The Superintendent extended his congratulations to Cleveland Elementary for receiving this recognition. He also mentioned that the District is in a transition period of doing background checks on non-licensed employees on a six –year rotation. Licensed employees will have a check done every five years as a part of their license renewal.

Reports Item (D3): Mr. Black informed the Board that the District is working with Risk Management to evaluate the cracks on the south wall of the old gymnasium at Green River High. The cracks have been there for years and it is time for the District to re-evaluate if any action needs to be taken.

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

At 7:45 p.m., a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by President Johansen to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.