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The September 2010 meeting of the Emery County School District Board of Education, held at Green River High School, was called to order at 5:00 PM by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Royd Hatt, Marie Johnson, Sam Singleton and Nanette Tanner (attending electronically). Superintendent Kirk Sitterud was also present as was Business Administrator Jared Black. Mrs. 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 August 2010 Board meeting. A motion was made by Sam Singleton to approve the warrants and minutes as presented. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (B2): Mr. Sitterud recommended to the Board that the following individuals be approved for the positions indicated, noting that Haylie Horton and Carli O'Neil were both hired on May 12th of this year, but were not approved in the June meeting:

<i>Haylie Horton:</i>	<i>Teacher, Half-Day</i>	<i>Cleveland Elementary</i>
<i>Carli O'Neil:</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Castle Dale Elementary</i>
<i>Morgan Burr:</i>	<i>Construction Aide, 19.5 hrs/week</i>	<i>Emery High</i>
<i>Courtnee Justice:</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Cottonwood Elementary</i>

Royd Hatt motioned to approve the hiring recommendation as presented. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. All approvals are subject to the completion and review of a background check.

Board Action Item (B3): Superintendent Sitterud next presented the following new policies and policy revisions to the Board. After requesting that the revision to policy GCFE/GDFE—Post Retirement Employment be tabled, he recommended that each of the following be approved as presented:

- **JFABB: Foreign Exchange Students (New)** – to set rules and guidelines for acceptance and enrollment of foreign exchange students. Currently, unless there is a one-to-one exchange, the District does not receive funding for foreign exchange students. This policy indicates that unless there is funding that comes with a foreign exchange student by way of WPU or tuition, the District will not enroll them. It also sets up guidelines for foreign exchange students and the agencies that sponsor them as required by Utah law.
- **JJJA: Extracurricular Activities for Home School and Private School Students (New)** – matches the new Utah law on home and private school student participation in extracurricular activities at their local public school.
- **GCA: Professional Staff Positions (Revised)** – adds terminology in relation to the Alternative Route to Licensure (ARL) established by Utah law.
- **JFAB: Non Resident Students (Revised)** – references when to use the Power of Attorney form and the Consent Guardianship form for non-resident students. The revision also includes an appeal process when enrollment is declined.

Following a brief discussion and explanation of each of the policy recommendations, Marie Johnson motioned to approve the policy actions as presented. Sam Singleton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Board Action Item (B4): Rob Maughan, golf coach at Green River High School requested permission for the golf teams to compete in two out-of-state tournaments during the Spring 2011 season. He explained that both meets will be held in Grand Junction, which is a closer and more convenient location than Provo or Salt Lake for Green River High as well as the other teams in the region. Royd Hatt made a motion to approve the request. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (B5): Superintendent Sitterud presented a recommendation to approve athletic schedules for the 2010-11 school year, including trips on the schedule that are over 150 miles. The schedules presented included Emery High football, volleyball, golf, tennis and girls basketball as well as Green River High baseball and volleyball. Sam Singleton motioned to approve the athletic schedules and trips as presented. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Report Item (C1): Superintendent Sitterud talked with the Board about enrollment numbers on the first day of school—up 13 students from the 2009-10 year. He announced that all 10 schools in the District made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) under the NCLB federal education program. He commended all schools for their hard work. He indicated that President Obama is scheduled to give his second annual opening of school speech on September 14th. Schools will be allowed to show the speech but must allow parents the option to opt out if they do not want their children to watch.

Report Item (C2): Mr. Black had no comments to add.

Public Comments (D): Mrs. Jayne Mecham had several questions related to the licensure and qualifications of teachers at Green River High School. Superintendent Sitterud responded to the questions.

Closed Meeting (E): At 5:50 p.m., a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to move to a closed meeting to discuss the character and professional competence of an individual. Member voting on this motion was as follows:

- Laurel Johansen Aye
- Royd Hatt Aye
- Marie Johnson Aye
- Sam Singleton Aye
- Nanette Tanner Aye (Electronically)

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.

The closed executive session also included a discussion of collective bargaining which was recorded in compliance with the above referenced code.

Laurel Johansen

Adjournment (F): At 6:25 p.m., upon reconvening to open meeting, a motion was made by Laurel Johansen and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.