

Emery County School District | Board of Education

Opening (A): The August 2014 meeting of the Emery County School District Board of Education, held at the School District office, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Vice-President Royd Hatt, Marie Johnson, Sam Singleton and Nanette Tanner. 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.

Public Hearing (B): A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Marie Johnson to adjourn to a Truth in Taxation hearing for input on the proposed final tax rates for Tax Year 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Black explained the proposed tax rates, emphasizing that with the exception of the judgment levy, all rates are at the Certified tax rate. The judgment levy of .000090 will generate \$179,407 in revenues, above the Certified tax rate, which will be used to pay judgments awarded to Union Pacific & Castle Valley Mining. No other comments were made about the proposed tax rates.

Marie Johnson made a motion to reconvene to general meeting, seconded by Royd Hatt. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (C1): Upon reconvening, a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Nanette Tanner to adopt the following tax rates, and associated revenues, for tax year 2014:

Basic School Levy	.001419	\$2,828,648
Board Local Levy	.002080	\$4,146,292
Voted Local Levy	.001603	\$3,195,436
Capital Local Levy	.000450	\$897,034
Judgment Levy	<u>.000090</u>	<u>\$179,407</u>
TOTAL	.005642	\$11,246,817

The motion passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (C2): Members of the Board considered the warrants, minutes for the July 2014 Board meeting and financial reports for July 2014. A motion was made by Nanette Tanner to approve the warrants, minutes and financial reports as presented. Sam Singleton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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

<i>Melinda Maccariello:</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Ferron Elementary</i>
<i>Joyce Housekeeper:</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Ferron Elementary</i>

Marie Johnson motioned to approve the hiring recommendations as presented. Sam Singleton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. All approvals are subject to the completion and review of a background check.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended that the Board approve letters of resignation from Rob & Melissa Maughan, who are moving to the Salt Lake area. Mr. Maughan has been a teacher at Green River High School and

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Mrs. Maughan has been an educational assistant at Book Cliff Elementary. Royd Hatt made a motion to accept the resignations. Nanette Tanner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (C4): Brett Mills, Communications Officer for Emery County was present to discuss a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that would allow the Sheriff's Office to use the District site on Cedar Mountain to establish part of their communications system. The purpose of this arrangement would be to improve communications equipment for both the County and School District.

Mr. Sitterud explained that the District has been in contact with the BLM and it appears an arrangement can be made so that the County can use the existing site. Mr. Black indicated that the County and BLM will need to sign a right-of-way and that the BLM would need to review the MOU prior to being finalized. Mr. Sitterud recommended that the Board of Education approve the concept, and give authorization to he and Mr. Black to finalize the MOU. Laurel Johansen made a motion to approve the concept and authorize Superintendent Sitterud and Mr. Black to finalize arrangements between the BLM and Emery County. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (C5): Mr. Black explained the annual Asbestos Containing Materials notification procedures and read the annual notification which has also been published in the Emery County Progress.

Board Action Item (C6): Roger Swenson, District Transportation Supervisor presented a proposal from CSN Safe Bus to obtain a live-feed GPS system for District buses in exchange for sponsor advertisements on the buses. A live feed system would allow both parents and District employees to know exactly where buses are at any given moment. The system would also allow increased efficiency in route planning. Mr. Swenson also presented a cost proposal if the District were to purchase a similar GPS system, independent of CSN. The projected cost is a \$10,000 setup fee and \$6,200 annually. Marie Johnson made a motion to approve the proposal from CSN, indicating that the Board would require that the District evaluate the contract after a year. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Report Item (C1): Mr. Black had nothing additional to report on.

Report Item (C2): Superintendent Sitterud mentioned that September is Attendance Awareness Month in Utah and discussed the recent decision by the State Board of Education to recommend applying for an extension of the No Child Left Behind waiver for another year.

Public Comments: No public comments were made.

Closed Meeting (F): At 7:35 p.m., a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Marie Johnson to move to a closed meeting for the purpose of discussion related to the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health 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

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 sole purpose of the above closed executive session was to review and discuss the character and professional competence of individuals. 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 closed executive session was not recorded.

Laurel Johansen

The closed meeting was held in the Board Room at the Emery County School District office on Wednesday, August 13th, 2014, beginning at 7:40 pm. All Board members were in attendance as well as Superintendent Kirk Sitterud, Business Administrator Jared Black, Secondary Supervisor Gwen Callahan, and Elementary Supervisor Jed Jensen. The closed meeting finished at 8:05 pm.

Adjournment (G): Upon reconvening to regular meeting, a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.