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The June 2016 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 Julie Wilson. Superintendent Kirk Sitterud was also present as were incoming Superintendent Larry Davis and Business Administrator Jared Black.

Mrs. Johansen welcomed all in attendance and led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Presentation (B1):** President Johansen and the other members of the Board of Education presented outgoing Superintendent Sitterud with a piece of artwork and a letter of appreciation. They also expressed their thanks to Mr. Sitterud for his many years of devoted service to students in Emery County. Larry Davis and Jared Black were given the opportunity to say a few words of thanks. Mr. Sitterud thanked the Board of Education.

**Presentation (B2):** EHS Counselor Dayna Terry presented information related to an upcoming proposal to increase the number of credits required for graduation from 24 credits to 28. She indicated that many senior students do not currently need to take a full schedule of classes. This has created scheduling gaps, smaller class sizes, and a loss of WPU funding. As we transition to 9<sup>th</sup> grade at EHS, course offerings will increase and students will have more options. She presented credit requirements for several other Utah schools as a basis of comparison.

She also indicated that EHS will be looking closely at the block schedule model used in Green River in 2016-17 and is hopeful to implement a block schedule for the 2017-18 year. With a block schedule, an increase in the graduation credit requirement would be even more important.

President Johansen thanked Ms. Terry for her report.

**Public Hearing (C1/C2):** A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Julie Wilson to adjourn the regular meeting to a public hearing to receive comment on the original budget for fiscal year 2017 as well as opening and adjusting the final budget for fiscal year 2016. The motion passed unanimously.

Business Administrator Black gave a presentation on the final budget for fiscal year 2016 as well as the tentative budget for fiscal year 2017. He also answered questions from members of the Board, and the audience. No other public comments were made. Marie Johnson made a motion to declare the hearing closed and the general session reconvened. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Board Action Item (D1):** Member Wilson made a motion to approve a resolution adopting final tax rates for the 2016 tax year. The proposed rates are within the certified tax rate and a truth-in-taxation hearing is not planned or anticipated for August. The final tax rates will be:

•	Basic State Levy	0.001675	\$3,239,572
•	Voard Local Levy	0.002194	\$4,243,355
•	Voted Local Levy	0.001692	\$3,272,451
•	Capital Local Levy	0.000476	\$920,61 <u>9</u>
		0.006037	\$11,675,997

Sam Singleton seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

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**Board Action Item (D2):** A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the final legal budget for fiscal year 2016, authorizing the Business Administrator to adjust final fiscal year 2016 budgets to reflect revised amounts as necessary. The motion passed unanimously.

**Board Action Item (D3):** Marie Johnson motioned to adopt the original budget for fiscal year 2017 as presented. Julie Wilson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Board Action Item (D4):** Members of the Board considered the warrants, minutes for the May 2016 Board meeting and financial reports for May 2016. A motion was made by Sam Singleton to approve the warrants, minutes and financial reports as presented. Julie Wilson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

**Board Action Item (D5):** Mr. Sitterud recommended to the Board that the following individuals be approved for the positions indicated:

Alicia Blake: Teacher Book Cliff Elementary
Burton Sant: Teacher Book Cliff Elementary

Richard Nobbe: Teacher, Band Emery High

Jill Weber:Teacher, KindergartenCastle Dale ElementaryCrisanne Durrant:Educational Assistant, Title I, 2 hrHuntington Elementary

Sydney Jewkes: Assistant Drill Advisor Emery High Shelby Bagley: Assistant Drill Advisor Emery High

Mekette Taney:Teacher, ResourceCottonwood ElementaryDustin Service:Head CustodianEmery High SchoolCourtney Cox:Head CustodianHuntington ElementaryYvonne Jensen:PrincipalCanyon View Junior High

Steven Gordon:PrincipalEmery HighDean Stilson:Assistant PrincipalEmery HighRyan Maughan:Director of Student ServicesDistrict Office

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 also presented letters of retirement submitted by Collette Clement, teacher at Huntington Elementary, and Barbara Quist, teacher at Book Cliff Elementary. He expressed his gratitude for both teachers. Members of the Board also expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Clement and Mrs. Quist.

Larry Davis, acting in his role of incoming Superintendent, presented a request to approve a newly designated position of Supervisor of Instructional Technology. He explained the importance of having supervision and direction for the technology department and the growing and evolving technology needs in the District. He indicated that the current plan is not to increase the number of technology positions—rather to see if current employees are able to absorb additional responsibility. This would be evaluated over the following months. Member Johnson motioned to approve the new position designation with the stipulation that an additional position is not being added. Julie Wilson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

**Board Action Item (D6):** Interim Principal Kayce Fluckey presented a proposal to move Green River High School to a 5 by 5 block schedule for the 2016-17 school year. She discussed the process of soliciting community and faculty

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input on the matter. She indicated that the GRHS faculty are excited about the proposal and ready to move forward with it. She answered questions that had been pending from her Board presentation in May. She stated that she is ready to move forward with the proposal and is seeking Board approval. Julie Wilson made a motion to approve the block schedule proposal for GRHS for the 2016-17 year, on a one-year trial basis. The block schedule will be evaluated and then considered for future years. Sam Singleton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Board Action Item (D7):** Students Aubrey Migliori and Erin Oliverson presented a request to attend the Youth Coalition CADCA mid-year institute from July 17-21 in Las Vegas. Four Corners would be providing transportation and covering expenses for the travel. There would be four girls and two adult supervisors attending. This training is a follow-up to the training attended earlier in Washington DC. Marie Johnson motioned to approve the travel as presented. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Board Action Item (D8):** Following explanation by Mr. Black, a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the District Medical Insurance Plans for 2016-17. The motion passed unanimously. Changes will be communicated to employees during the summer.

**Report Item (E1):** Mr. Black had nothing additional to report.

Report Item (E2): Superintendent Sitterud recognized the recent passing of former Superintendent Ernie Weeks.

Public Comments (E): No public comments were made.

**Closed Meeting (F):** At 8:20 pm., a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Julie Wilson to move to a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing matters related to collective bargaining, and 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
•	Julie Wilson	Aye

The closed meeting was held in the board room at the Emery County School District office on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, beginning at 8:25 pm. All five Board members were present for the closed meeting, as were Superintendent Kirk Sitterud, Business Administrator Jared Black, Emery High School Principal Larry Davis, and Secondary Supervisor Jed Jensen. A recording of the portion of the closed meeting related to collective bargaining was made and will be kept on file by the District. A recording was not made of the portion of the closed meeting related to discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Written minutes of this portion of the meeting were made and will be kept on file by the District.

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#### **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 unrecorded portion 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 portion of the closed executive session was not recorded.

Laurel Johansen

The closed meeting finished at 9:15 pm.

**Adjournment (G):** A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.