

Emery County School District | Board of Education

The June 2018 meeting of the Board of Education, held at the Emery County School District office, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Vice-President Tracey Johnson, Kenzi Guymon, Royd Hatt, and Marie Johnson. Superintendent Larry Davis and Business Administrator Jared Black were also present.

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

Presentations (B1-3): Superintendent Davis presented the following recognitions or awards:

- **Academic All-State**
 - Laine Jensen, Emery High, Girls' Golf
 - Addison Healy, Emery High, Softball
 - James Behling, Emery High, Boys' Soccer
 - Landon Fairbanks, Emery High, Boys' Track & Field
 - Elexis Dalton, Emery High, Girls' Track & Field

- **Employees / Volunteer of the Year**
 - Stephanie Roper—Elementary and District Teacher of the Year
 - Dale Roundy—Secondary Teacher of the Year
 - Kerri Allred—Classified Employee of the Year
 - Pam Howard—Volunteer of the Year

- **Adult High School Graduates**
 - Five students received diplomas

Members of the Board and Superintendent Davis expressed their congratulations to each of these individuals.

Presentation (B4): Principal Kayce Fluckey of Green River High School gave an informational presentation outlining a needed update to the GRHS student discipline policy. She will work with Secondary Supervisor Jed Jensen and the administration at Emery High School to create a discipline policy that is consistent District-wide.

Public Hearing (C1/C2): A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Kenzi Guymon to adjourn the regular meeting to a public hearing to receive comment on the original budget for fiscal year 2019 as well as opening and adjusting the final budget for fiscal year 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Black gave a presentation on the final budget for fiscal year 2018 as well as the original budget for fiscal year 2019. No other public comments were made. Marie Johnson made a motion to declare the hearing closed and the general session reconvened. Kenzi Guymon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (D1): Member Royd Hatt made a motion to approve a resolution adopting final tax rates for the 2018 tax year. He added that 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	0.001666	\$3,391,748
• Board Local Levy	0.002065	\$4,204,058
• Charter School Levy	0.000025	\$50,897
• Voted Local Levy	0.001612	\$3,281,812
• Capital Local Levy	<u>0.000453</u>	<u>\$922,246</u>
	0.005821	\$11,850,761

Tracey Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (D2): A motion was made by Kenzi Guymon and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the final legal budget for fiscal year 2018, authorizing the Business Administrator to adjust final fiscal year 2018 budgets to reflect revised amounts as necessary. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (D3): Tracey Johnson motioned to adopt the original budget for fiscal year 2019 as presented. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (D4): Members of the Board considered the warrants, minutes for the May 2018 Board meeting and financial reports for May 2018. A motion was made by Kenzi Guymon to approve the warrants, minutes and financial reports as presented. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (D5): Superintendent Davis recommended to the Board that the following individuals be approved for the positions indicated:

• Lance Whitesel	Counselor	Green River High & Canyon View Middle Schools
• Yory Allred	Head Girls' Soccer Coach	Emery High School
• Earl Hales	Custodian	Green River High & Book Cliff Elementary School
• Ashley Reyes	Teacher	Book Cliff Elementary School

Marie Johnson motioned to approve the hiring recommendations as presented. Royd Hatt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Superintendent Davis next recommended approval of the following hire:

• Ren Hatt	Teacher, Language Arts	Green River High School
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Member Hatt indicated that he will abstain from voting. Kenzi Guymon motioned to approve the hiring recommendation. Tracey Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote. All approvals are subject to the completion and review of a background check.

Board Action Item (D6): Emery High Band Teacher Rick Nobbe presented a request to take approximately 30 band students on an overnight trip to play in the Days of '47 Parade in Salt Lake City. He provided an itinerary, budget (including proposed fundraising activities), and travel details to the Board for review. After verifying that appropriate supervision will be in place, Marie Johnson motioned to approve the travel as presented. Kenzi Guymon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Action Item (D7): Principal Kayce Fluckey indicated that there is a difference between Green River High School and Emery High School in the amounts paid to certain extracurricular advisors. She mentioned that she feels the advisors are required to do the same amount of work at both schools, and asked if this could be looked into. President Johansen indicated that District administrators will look into this. No formal action was taken by the Board.

Board Action Item (D8): Principal Yvonne Jensen requested that the CTE technology fee be revised. She explained that the current fee is \$10 plus the cost of take-home projects. The cost of take home projects is \$35, resulting in a total annual fee of \$45. She proposed to increase the fee to \$45 as a means of simplifying the fee gathering process for the middle schools. Members of the Board expressed a favorable opinion to this proposal and will include this fee change when approving the full fee schedule in the July 2018 meeting.

Board Action Item (D9): Principal Yvonne Jensen requested that the Board of Education consider adding two extracurricular programs for the middle schools—Archery and Cross Country. She provided information about similar programs in the Carbon School District. She expressed that she is looking for opportunities to get students more involved and feel a part of the school. She also mentioned that the DWR is willing to come do training for an archery program. Both middle schools still have archery equipment that was provided by the DWR years ago. President Johansen thanked Principal Jensen for having the best interest of students in mind, adding that the District will look into the logistics of her request. No formal action was taken by the Board.

Board Action Item (D10): Mr. Black requested approval of a board resolution designating those in the ECSD who are authorized to open and manage accounts within the Public Treasurer's Investment Fund. This resolution is required by the Utah State Treasurer's Office. Marie Johnson made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Kenzi Guymon seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Superintendent's Report (E): Superintendent Davis provided a staffing update. He discussed plans to keep full day PLC's on last day of each term as well as having mid-term early out days. He commented on the Trail Mountain fire, noting that Emery High School is the base location for the firefighting effort. ECSD is proud to work in coordination with state and federal officials to provide these accommodations. Everybody has been good to work with. The firefighting efforts will delay some of our summer custodial work at EHS, but we are glad to help.

Mr. Davis briefly reviewed several policies that are being developed in response to to new legislation – adding that most changes are very minor. The district technology committee met on June 11th. The committee is working on updating goals for the Digital Teaching & Learning grant and approved additional funding for SchoolCity – the data platform for PLC's and collaborative teams. The STEM Ed & CTE committee worked aggressively on a couple of grant applications, but unfortunately the grants were not approved. The District will continue to pursue these opportunities and submit grant requests in the next funding cycle.

Fortunately, USU-Eastern is providing a beginning teaching course that will be available at EHS & GRHS. Neal Peacock will be the instructor. Superintendent Davis has been meeting with Interim Chancellor Gary Straquadine to continue the development of programs for our students. Dr. Straquadine is working to coordinate USU-Eastern resources in order to provide students at EHS and perhaps GRHS access to a CNA program. President Johansen thanked Superintendent Davis for his report.

Public Comments (F): President Johansen asked if there were any public comments from those in attendance. Jeff Wingate, new EEA President, introduced himself, noting that he looks forward to working with the Board and administration. Principal Fluckey commented briefly on a pathways conference she recently attended in Las Vegas. She mentioned that Utah is ahead of other states in developing pathways.

Closed Meeting (G): At 8:45 pm., a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Kenzi Guymon to move to a closed meeting for the following purposes:

- Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual
- Strategy session to discuss collective bargaining

Member voting on this motion was as follows:

- Laurel Johansen Aye
- Tracey Johnson Aye
- Kenzi Guymon Aye
- Royd Hatt Aye
- Marie Johnson Aye

The closed meeting was held in the board room at the Emery County School District office on Wednesday, June 20th, 2018, beginning at 8:50 pm. All five Board members were present for the closed meeting, as were Superintendent Larry Davis and Business Administrator Jared Black. A recording of the portion of the closed meeting related to the strategy session to discuss 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 were made of this portion of the closed meeting.

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 unrecorded portion of the above closed executive session was to review and discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individuals. Under the code referenced above, this closed executive session discussion is exempt from recording requirements and therefore, this portion of the closed executive session was not recorded.

I also certify that the recorded portion of the closed executive session was for the sole purpose of having a discussion related to collective bargaining.

Laurel Johansen, Board President

The closed meeting finished at 10:20 pm.

Upon reconvening in regular session, Royd Hatt made a motion to approve the expulsion of a student. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Adjournment (H): A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Kenzi Guymon to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm.