

MINUTES FOR MARCH 13, 2024

The March 13, 2024 meeting of the Board of Education, held at the Huntington Elementary, 70 East 100 North, Huntington, UT, was called to order at 6:30 pm by Board President Royd Hatt. Vice President Tracey Johnson, and members Kenzi Guymon, Todd Huntington, and James Winn were also present. Superintendent Ryan Maughan and Business Administrator Jackie Allred were also in attendance along with student board member, Kallee Lake.

WORK SESSION:

A1. Assign Negotiation Committee Board Representatives: The following board members were assigned to the Certified committee: Tracey Johnson and James Winn. Royd Hatt and Todd Huntington were assigned to be on the Classified committee. The district will hold a combined kickoff meeting with all committee members when estimates are available.

A2. Annual Review of School Fees, Fee Waivers, Fundraising, and Donation policies: Business Administrator Allred reviewed these policies with highlights on key areas.

A3. Policy JJE – Fundraising: The proposed amendment presented by Jackie Allred reflects the changes from the USBE School Fee department regarding student participation in an activity based on participation in a required group fundraiser. Kenzi Guymon asked to include the notice to parent in that section.

A4. Data / Technology Policies: Doug Johnson IT Supervisor, introduced several data and privacy documents for review. These policies will be presented as an action item next month.

- Annual FERPA Rights
- Data Privacy Agreement
- Data Sharing Agreement
- Policy EHA – Employee Passwords
- Policy EHAA – Technology Security Policy (new)
- Emery Data PlanWeb
- Policy IJNDB – Use of Technology in Instruction
- Policy IJNDBA – Bring your own Technology
- Policy IJNDCA – Employee Network Acceptable Use,
- Policy IJNDCB – Student or Visitor Network Acceptable Use
- Policy IJNDCC – Employee Use of Webpages & Social Networking
- Policy INDCD – Internet Safety
- Policy JICJ – Electronic Communication Device Use
- Student Data Collection Notice

REGULAR SESSION:

B1/B2: President Hatt welcomed all in attendance and led all attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS:

C1: Westland Construction: Trent Huntsman, Westland Supervisor, gave the status of the Emery High construction project. The critical path items are still on schedule with the finishing of drywall and painting in the immediate future. Overall schedule has the 'Move-in' date around mid-June with prior inspections

and walkthroughs. The project is always working with the fire marshal, and all ceilings have been passed off. The project team has worked out a possible solution for the fire lane for occupancy in August. An immediate big task is the relocation of the district’s portable trailers from their current location to the west side of the new school – excavators are on site preparing concrete for the move which is scheduled during Spring Break. Roofers are finishing the canopy areas, and the acoustical ceilings will start this week for all interior Area A. The pre-cast stairways will arrive in two weeks for the commons area stairs. Plumbing finishes will begin the first of April. The final painting of the gym and commons area have begun this week.

C2: Presentation for FY25 School Fees: The presentation was given by Jackie Allred regarding two proposed changes to the high school fees. The \$15 Drug Testing fee would be reapplied along with changing the AP test fee to match the amount charged to the school. The drug testing fee would be applied only once a year even if a student participates in multiple activities.

A motion was made by James Winn to move to an open meeting for Public Comment and was seconded by Todd Huntington. All approved. Discussion was made by board members to bring better transparency to the use of funds and rename the fee to include Trainer Fees. These funds allow trainers to be at sporting events for district and visiting athletes. It was also discussed to have equitable use for all seasons and sports. Fall and Winter sports are assumed to use the bulk of the services. It was proposed to change the name to a Drug Testing/Trainer Fee for better transparency as to the use of funds.

A motion from Tracey Johnson to close the open meeting and reconvene to regular session was made and seconded by Royd Hatt. Voting was non-opposed.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

D1: A motion was made from James Winn for the Consent Agenda items: a) February warrants, b) Monthly financial reports, c) Minutes for the February 14th meeting and d) Names for New Hire approvals with a second by Tracey Johnson. All members approved the consent agenda.

Pennie Stewart	Girls Soccer Coach	Emery High
Tresa Skinner	Girls Drill Coach	Emery High
Karl Jensen	Head Volleyball Coach	Emery High
Devan Meadows	Head Track Coach	Green River High
Kason Stilson	Baseball Assistant Coach	Emery High
Abbie Christiansen	Girls Soccer Assistant Coach	Emery High

D2: Proposed School Fees 2024-25: With the previous presentations in the February and March board meetings, there was little discussion. Tracey Johnson made the motion to approve the 2024-25 School Fee Schedule as presented with clarification on the name for Drug Testing/Trainer Fee with a second from Todd Huntington. Motion was passed unanimously.

D3: FY25 TSSA Framework: The TSSA Framework sets the guidelines for schools and community councils to create individual school goals that promote the STEAM curriculum in each school. This refers to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. The framework has not been requested by schools to be changed. The framework is required to be reviewed and approved annually by the board. Discussion

was held on accountability to reach the stated 1% improvement goal. It was also suggested to look at the framework earlier next year to allow schools sufficient time to create their individual plans if the district framework changed. Tracey Johnson motioned to approve with a second from Todd Huntington. Motion passed with all ayes.

D4: Policy FFA – Student Memorial: Superintendent Maughan presented this policy change in the February Board work session and also to the administration and staff leadership. The changes allow a moment of silence for a deceased student at graduation along with approved adornment on an empty chair. It also allows an honorary diploma be given to the parents for 11th or 12th grade students who are deceased. The motion to approve the policy as presented was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by James Winn. All agreed.

REPORTS:

E1: The principal report: Jody Carter, principal of Huntington Elementary, reported that the biggest concern is enrollment because they are seeing a slow decline. Enrollment has dropped about 20 children this year and half of those are homeschooling. When those students return to the district, they're far below academic grade level. She is also concerned about teacher staffing with large class sizes and worry about children not getting appropriate education. Huntington has been able to work with small groups and have seen increases with this process, but it has caused a decrease in teacher prep time. Student motivation and setting goals is their current focus which includes a scheduled assembly to help students be self-motivated. Huntington Elementary has been able to maintain instructional coaches who have been amazing to provide Professional Development, mentor new teachers, review instructional practices, and help with small group rotations and grading. These positions are paid from school LT and TSSA funds. Huntington is grateful for their counselor, Destri Gray, and state that she's been a game changer with student check-ins and providing SEL lessons to all students. The after-school Robotics program is provided by Jessie Ward and Tiffany Cowley with the upper grade students, and they are excited to play with drones. HE started their archery program this Spring with a NASP grant. Participation is 50 students and is more than double than expected. Students can attend four times / week. This program has received plentiful positive feedback, and students love to come to school because of this program. Even with practice before school, they show up. Their teams attended the state competition last week and placed 4th in the elementary category. Next week is a 3D state competition held in Price. Mrs. Carter gave a big Shout Out to the faculty and staff who are always willing to step up and do whatever is needed. All board members are invited to come to the school and see what's happening.

E2: Superintendent Report: Ryan Maughan expressed appreciation and commended Huntington on their archery program's very successful first year. He also gave recognition for the district Sterling Scholars:

Jorgen Robinson / Math Winner
Elizabeth Carroll / Music Winner
Melody Lake / Visual Arts Winner
Kelsey Norton / Dance Runner-up
Luke Justice / Business Runner-up
Tyler Frandsen / Computer Tech Runner-up
Taya Cowley / General Runner-up

E2: Business report: Nothing reported.

E3: Board Committee reports: Todd Huntington has been in contact with Liz Peyton from the Hornshadow Solar Development company. They are ready to make the donation that was promised two years ago as the project has finally started. Royd Hatt reported on the ‘What Counts’ meeting with the community and thought it went really well and appreciated the comments received from those who attended. Tracey Johnson attended the community council with Cottonwood finalizing their LT and TSSA plans and also had good conversations with parents. Kallee Lake reported that Emery High Juniors completed the class ACT yesterday. The Spring sports are well underway and have started playing games. James Winn attended the community council with Canyon View and also the Spring Regional meeting with USBA where legislative bills were reviewed. Some new bills are going to greatly affect the district. Kenzi Guymon attended both Ferron schools’ community council meetings and was able to participate in the Ferron etiquette dinner which she said was amazing. She was also able to attend the Art show held at Emery High and was really impressed with all the different forms of art ranging from leather work, paintings, and models. She concluded with the Junior Prom that was held this month which always involves a large crowd from the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (F): Neal Peacock seconded the What Counts night comments and thought it was excellent and wished more people would have attended. They would have seen the many positive things the district is doing, and he appreciated the work that went into holding the meeting.

CLOSED MEETING (G): At 7:58 pm., a motion was made by Todd Huntington and seconded by James Winn to move to a closed meeting for the purpose to discuss the strategy for collective bargaining. Member voting on this motion was as follows:

- Royd Hatt Aye
- Tracey Johnson Aye
- McKenzi Guymon Aye
- Todd Huntington Aye
- James Winn Aye

The closed meeting was held in Room #22 at the Huntington Elementary on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, beginning at 8:10 pm. All Board members were present for the closed meeting. The closed meeting finished at 9:00 pm. A recording of the meeting was made and will be kept on file by the District. Todd Huntington motioned to convene closed session and return to open session with a second by Royd Hatt and all approving.

ADJOURNMENT (H): Royd Hatt motioned and to adjourn with a second by James Winn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.