OFFICIAL MINUTES OF A WORK MEETING

OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOX ELDER SCHOOL DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 14, 2024

A work session was held at 5:30 p.m. on the discussion of facilities.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOX ELDER SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 14, 2024

Official minutes of the Regular Session of the Board of Education, Box Elder School District, held Wednesday evening February 14, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at Independent Life Skills Center.

Those in attendance at the meeting included Board President Wade Hyde, Board Vice President Connie Archibald, Tiffani Summers, Nancy Kennedy, Karen Cronin, Danielle Wright and Bryan Smith. Also, present were Superintendent Steve Carlsen, Assistant Superintendents Keith Mecham and Heidi Jo West, Director of IT Robert Gordon, Director of Facilities Corey Thompson and Business Administrator David Roberts; members of the press, employees and patrons.

President Wade Hyde called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance and conducted the business of the meeting.

After the reverence which was offered by Tiffani Summers, the pledge of allegiance was led by Steve Carlsen.

**Recognition**

Anastasia Trost – Northern Utah Boys and Girls club Youth of Year. Amazing story!

**Approval of Agenda:**

Bryan Smith made the motion to approve the agenda, second by Connie Archibald. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

**Public Comment:**

Noelle Holden, parent of student at North Park Elementary, all-day kindergarten concerns. Would like to see a traditional half day alternative.

Kayla Hillam, parent of student at Garland Elementary, would like to see a traditional half day kindergarten option. Offer a choice for parents preferably a morning and afternoon.

Jessica Young, parent of student at Garland Elementary, would like to see a half day kindergarten class for the Fall of 2024.

**Public Comment on School Fees:**

Connie Archibald made the motion to go into public comment on school fees, second by Julie Taylor. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

Keith Mecham, Asst. Superintendent of Secondary Teaching & Learning

School Fees – Good effort was spent to solidify the athletics fees over the last couple years. Our student fees have been out of compliance with state mandate.

Clint Flinders – parent of student at Lake View Elementary, doesn’t like the look and feel of a “pay to play” school fees.

Dr. Hans Christian Anderson, who can we talk to concerning the fees, feels like at flat fee would be more favorable.

**Public Hearing on 5th Grade Maturation Curriculum**

Nancy Kennedy made the motion to open the public hearing on 5th grade maturation curriculum, second by Karen Cronin. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

Keith Mecham, Asst. Superintendent of Secondary Teaching & Learning explained the information.

Cassandra Merrill asked about including in the future a guardian, presiding adult, etc. as well as the parent.

Tiffani Summers made a motion to close the Public Hearing, second by Bryan Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

**Action Items:**

Approval of Human Sexuality Curriculum

Keith Mecham, Asst. Superintendent of Secondary Teaching & Learning

Karen Cronin made the motion to approve the Human Sexuality Curriculum, second by Danielle Wright. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

Approval of Amended 2024-2025 District Calendar

Keith Mecham, Asst. Superintendent of Secondary Teaching & Learning

Mark Taylor was not able to attend, so Keith listed a couple changes on the proposed calendar. The changes had to do with changes in parent teacher conference dates and professional development days.

Connie Archibald made the motion to amend the 2024-2025 district calendar, second by Nancy Kennedy. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

Approval of FY25 Capital Improvements

Corey Thompson, Facilities Director, early approval of budget and projects allows us to get ahead of the curve for scheduling and bidding. Met with the Capital Improvements Committee to go over the list of projects and set priorities. Budget amount is $2,500,000 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Tiffani Summers made the motion to approve the budget of $2,500,000 for capital improvement projects, second by Connie Archibald. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

Resolution to Support Granite School District in Condemning the Actions of Utah State Board of Education Member Natalie Cline. We support all children.

Steve Carlsen, Superintendent

Connie Archibald made the motion to approve the resolution, second by Nancy Kennedy. Karen Cronin opposed based on the use of the word “condemn”. Motion passed in favor of the resolution as presented 7-1.

Karen Cronin – no

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

**Information Items:**

Box Elder County Chamber of Commerce

Monica Holdaway, spoke concerning the Business Fair that the Chamber of Commerce helps sponsor at both high schools. Also, spoke about the hometown heroes award program that recognizes a teacher and support professional at each school. Shared the *Economic Dashboard* on the Chamber website.

Update on Chinese DLI

Jeremy Young, Assessment & ELL Director, went over slides provided in the Board packet. Benchmark comparable for Chinese and Spanish. Chinese is below benchmark in some areas.

AAPPL Data

Jeremy Young, Assessment & ELL Director – data charts and graphs showing current trends were presented.

Legislative Update

Steve Carlsen, Superintendent – Keith Mecham spoke to SB216 regarding the changes of all high schools to semesters. David Roberts spoke to HB533 regarding funding for Necessarily Existent Small Schools. In its original allotment Box Elder School District would have lost 90% of its funding $900k+. In the most recent version all 3 class school districts would remain harmless.

Monthly Financial Report

David Roberts, Business Administrator - everything looks good and in line with the budget. David mentioned some updates that need to be on the portable expense and fuel tank at NSC.

Student Board Member Report

Alyssa Lyman, reported that Bear River High School just finished Mr. Bear River and Junior Prom is just around the corner. Box Elder High School combined choir and orchestra concerts were held this week. Girls and boys wrestlers are at State. Boys and girls swim teams won region.

**Policy Review****:**

Second Reading

Policy 2181 District Emergency Response Plan

Policy 2226 Transportation: Space Available Busing

Policy 4016 Evaluation and Selection of Instruction Material

Policy 4017 Evaluation and Selection of Library Material

Policy 4018 Evaluation and Selection of Supplemental Material

Policy 4019 Evaluation of Other Learning Material

Policy 4028 Special Programs: Education of Youth in Custody

Policy 4088 Special Programs: Student Internships

Policy 4175 Student Data Protection

Policy 4200 Term of Instruction: School Year & School Day

Policy 5005 Safe Schools - Student Discipline/Behavior

Policy 5006 Safe Schools Discipline of Students with Disabilities

Policy 5090 Child Abuse/Sexual Abuse and Human Trafficking Prevention Training and

Reporting

Policy 5100 Student Records

Policy 5203 Graduation Attire

Policy 5227 Concussions and Head Injury

Policy 5230 School Fees

Policy 5265 Student Discrimination and Harassment

Policy 5380 Notification Received from Juvenile Courts

Policy 6000 Public Records Access and Management

Policy 6025 Parent Access to District Instructional Material

Nancy Kennedy made the motion to approve the policies on second reading, second by Bryan Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

**Consent Items:**

Karen Cronin made the motion to approve the consent items, seconded by Connie Archibald. The motion passed unanimously.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

The Consent items included the following items:

Approval of the minutes of working and regular meeting January 10, 2024.

Approval of claims 00045023- 00046893, 02011724, 05011204, 07013124, 08013124, 09011924, 9013124, 9013124A.

Personnel Actions

See attachment to agenda.

**Suggestions for Future Board Meetings:**

* Articles monthly that are education focused, hot items or topics will be presented each month.
* Future conversations for AI on next month’s agenda.

**Upcoming Events:**

USBA Spring Regional Meeting - March 14, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. at Maddox.

**Adjournment:**

Karen Cronin made the motion to adjourn, second by Connie Archibald. The motion passed.

Karen Cronin – yes

Tiffani Summers – yes

Julie Taylor – yes

Wade Hyde – yes

Connie Archibald – yes

Danielle Wright – yes

Nancy Kennedy – yes

Bryan Smith - yes

President Wade Hyde adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

With the announcement that the next meeting will be a work session on Wednesday, March 13th at 5:30 pm at the Independent Life Skills Center, a Regular Session on Wednesday, March 13th at 6:30 p.m., at the Independent Life Skills Center, 960 S Main St, Brigham City, Utah.

APPROVED: March 13, 2024

ATTESTED: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

School Business Administrator President, Board of Education