

Approved

May 8, 2024

South Sanpete School Board Meeting
39 S Main St
Manti, UT 84642

Open Meeting Start Time	3:30 PM
Open Meeting End Time	5:09 PM
Closed Meeting Start Time	5:10 PM
Closed Meeting End Time	5:27 PM
Meeting Adjourned	5:28 PM

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM by Board President David Warren.

Reverence: Connor Thompson

Patriotic Tribute: David Warren led the Board and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: David Warren, Kim Pickett, Mark Olson, Connor Thompson, Loni Hammond

Others Present: Jake Hill, Ralph Squire, Leslie Taysom, John Gillett, Mike Moon, Sharon Mecham, Sheri Heywood, Cami Warby, Michael Robinson, Lori Dunne, Kris Pogroszewski, Mark Anderson

RECOGNITION & ACHIEVEMENT

Academic All-State (Spring Activities)—Superintendent Ralph Squire recognized the Academic All-State recipients for Spring Activities.

UIAAA Administrator of the Year—Superintendent Ralph Squire informed the Board that Karen Soper had been honored as the 2024 UIAAA Administrator of the Year.

CITIZEN DIALOGUE

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

Minutes—The Minutes of the April 10, 2024, Regular Board Meeting were presented for approval. After discussion, Connor Thompson moved to approve the minutes. Kim Pickett seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Warrants—Warrants #00028623- #00028806 for \$977,009.78 were presented for approval. After discussion, Mark Olson moved to approve the warrants as presented. Kim Pickett seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Budget Report—Jake Hill, the Business Administrator, presented the Monthly Budget Report, which included a Year-To-Date Summary of Total Expenditures and Revenues, the Zions Bank Sweep Account, and the Utah Public Treasurers' Investment Fund. Business Administrator Hill pointed out that in the upcoming meeting, the Board will undertake the review and approval of the FY24 final budget, along with the approval of the FY25 budget and certified tax rates. Additionally, Business Administrator Hill detailed several capital projects scheduled for the summer, including the secondary school teen

centers, EMS parking lot and restroom enhancements, MHS auditorium chair upgrades, roof replacement for three sections, and installation of rooftop units.

After discussion, Connor Thompson moved to approve the budget report as presented. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

David Warren—Board President David Warren presented a brief Board Ethics Training Video.

REPORTS

Counselor Report—Counselors from each school presented information about the counseling efforts.

- GVHS Counselor Lori Dunne: This year, GVHS has placed a significant focus on "Break the Chain," highlighting resiliency, positive behaviors, kindness, social skills, and community support. Noteworthy projects include Reality Town, FAFSA Attendance, Career Fair, and Parent Nights.
- MHS Counselors Michael Robinson and Kris Pogroszewski: MHS has revamped its Counseling website for enhanced user experience, expanded internship opportunities, and seen growth in pathway concentrators and completers. Additionally, enrollment in CTE courses and participation in career exploration have surged this year. Accomplishments also include increased FAFSA completion rates, active involvement in communities through classroom initiatives and career fairs, and a 100% college application submission rate during UCAW. Furthermore, Kris Pogroszewski was recognized with the Hometown Hero Award.
- EMS Counselor Sheri Heywood: EMS has focused on the well-being of both students and staff through initiatives like Wellness Wednesday using RethinkEd, Fabulous Faculty Friday, and fostering college and career awareness. The school has also implemented SEL groups led by Janika Broomhead, offered lessons on resilience and stress management, and made strides in supporting ELL students, resulting in noticeable improvements. Additionally, assemblies by Nate Webb and Lance Allred have sparked discussions on kindness and compassion within the school community.
- GVMS Counselor Sharon Meacham: The GVMS counselor noted a 97 percent participation rate in 8th-grade PCCR sessions, with a data project aimed at reducing chronic absenteeism, consequently decreasing dropout rates. She expressed appreciation to the District for providing valuable resources such as Mental Health Specialists, parent coaching, and organizing parent events.

Parent Guidance Counseling Report—Superintendent Ralph Squire shared details about the Parent Guidance program, a resource accessible to parents offering guidance, support, and parent coaching. South Sanpete's utilization rate surpassed that of most in the region, in part because of its size and also due to being an early adopter of the program.

INFORMATION

None

ACTION ITEMS

150 Mile/Overnight Requests—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the following 150 Mile/Overnight Travel request:

School	Sport/Program	Date(s)	Destination	Reason	Travel
MHS	Volleyball	8/16-8/17/24	St. George	Tournament	Suburbans

After discussion, Kim Pickett moved to approve the 150/Overnight Trip as presented. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

School Board Meeting Schedule—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the proposed schedule for school board meetings for the 2024-25 school year. After discussion, Loni Hammond moved to approve the School Board Meeting Schedule for 2024-25. Connor Thompson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Ephraim City MOU—Superintendent Ralph Squire introduced the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Ephraim City Recreation, allowing for the utilization of facilities beyond school hours. The MOU is to be reviewed on an annual basis. Ephraim Middle School administrators expressed that they find the MOU advantageous for both the school and community sports and activity programs. After discussion, Connor Thompson motioned to accept the MOU as presented. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

School Trustlands Plan Updates—Superintendent Ralph Squire introduced revisions to the Trustlands plans for GVMS, EMS, GVHS, and MHS. Kim Pickett moved to approve the amendments to the plans as presented. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Guardian Football Helmet Protection—Superintendent Ralph Squire introduced a proposal to procure Guardian Football Helmet Protection for both high school teams. After discussion, Kim Pickett moved to approve the proposed purchase of Guardian Football helmet protection as presented. Connor Thompson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Policies—

Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the following new Policy for approval:

- *BF Agenda Items and Public Participation*

After discussion, Connor Thompson moved to approve Policy BF with one noted correction. Kim Pickett seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

- *GCF Employment Licensure*

After discussion, Connor Thomson moved to approve Policy GCF as presented. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Driver Ed Vehicle Purchases—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented a proposal for the purchase of a Driver Education vehicle. After discussion, Kim Pickett moved to approve the purchase of the Driver Ed vehicle. Connor Thompson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Technology Vehicle Purchase—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented a proposal for the purchase of a vehicle for use by Technology. After discussion, Connor Thompson motioned to table the purchase for the next meeting. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Fee Schedule & Driver Education Fee Update 2nd Reading—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented the 2024-25 Fee Schedule, including the Driver Education Fee Update for 2nd Reading. After discussion, Kim Pickett moved to approve the Fees Schedule & Updated Driver Education Fee as presented. Connor Thompson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Ephraim Middle School Parking Lot Bids—Business Administrator Jake Hill provided an update on the bids for the Ephraim Middle School parking lot. Bennett Paving emerged as the lowest bidder. After discussion, Kim Pickett moved to accept the Bennett Paving bid for the EMS parking lot. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

MHS CTE Shops—Superintendent Ralph Squire introduced a proposal to initiate the engineering/architectural process for the MHS shop projects, aimed at assessing the costs associated with completing the addition. This project would serve as an exploratory phase to develop plans and ascertain how the District could proceed with prioritizing its capital projects. After discussion, Loni Hammond moved to approve the exploration of MHS shop additions. Kim Pickett seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Hire Recommendations—Connor Thompson moved to approve the following individuals for employment.

1. New Teacher Recommendations

a. Austin Jackson	PE Teacher/Football Coach	GVHS
b. Audrey Smith	Utah Studies/STEM Teacher	EMS
c. Camille Warby	Counselor	EMS
d. Kelsey Fullmer	2 nd Grade Teacher	MES
e. Andi Mullins	Severe SPED Teacher	GVES
f. Suzanne Cook	Math Teacher	CUA

2. Para-educator Recommendations

a. Alyssa Cherry	SPED	EES
b. Jessica Robinson	Trustlands	MHS

3. Transfer Recommendations

a. Denise Hagemeister	BTSA Arts Educator	MES
b. McKinlee Jensen	3 rd Grade Teacher	GVES

4. Other Hire Recommendations

a. Ileana Gubeli	Cook	GVHS
b. KoriAnn Jensen	Custodian	GVES
c. Nik Stevens	Student Custodian	EMS
d. Madelyn Daniels	Student Custodian	MES

e. Lydia Daniels

Student Custodian

MES

5. Resignations/Retirement

a. Alaura Stickney

Site Specialist

Resignation

GVES

Kim Pickett seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Motion for Closed Meeting—Loni Hammond moved to adjourn into Closed Session at 5:09 PM to discuss items outlined in Utah Code, Section 52-4-5. The items were: the character and professional competence of several employees. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the following Board Members voted in favor: Kim Pickett, Mark Olson, David Warren, Loni Hammond, and Connor Thompson. Motion passed.

The following items were discussed in Closed Session: the character and professional competence of several employees. Mark Olson moved to adjourn from Closed Session at 5:27 PM. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the following Board Members voted aye: Kim Pickett, David Warren, Loni Hammond, Mark Olson and Connor Thompson. Motion passed.

Adjourn

Mark Olson moved to adjourn the South Sanpete School Board Meeting. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted aye. Motion passed.

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 3:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM.

President

Business Administrator