



## CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The following minutes are a summary of the October 1, 2024, Canyons Board of Education meeting. To listen to the entire board meeting, including all comments made during the meeting, please go to BoardDocs at <http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf>

The Board of Education of Canyons School District met in a board meeting on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, beginning at 4:00 pm at the Canyons Administration Building, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

**Those in attendance were:**

Amber Shill, Board President  
Amanda Oaks, Vice President  
Andrew Edtl, Vice President  
Kris Millerberg, Board Member  
Holly Neibaur, Board Member, joined electronically for closed session and in person as indicated  
Karen Pedersen, Board Member  
Nancy Tingey, Board Member  
Rick Robins, Superintendent  
Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator  
Dan Harper, General Legal Counsel  
Charlie Evans, Director of External Relations

**1. Closed Session – 4:30 pm**

- A. For the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

**MOTION:** Amanda Oaks moved to approve to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Karen Pedersen seconded the motion. \*A vote was taken. 5 Yea (Ms. Tingey, Ms. Pedersen, Ms. Shill, Ms. Oaks, Ms. Oaks) 2 Not Present (Ms. Millerberg and Ms. Neibaur joined the meeting after the roll call vote) The motion carries.

\*Person in Attendance: All Board Members, Rick Robins – Superintendent, Leon Wilcox – Business Administrator, Daniel Harper – General Counsel, McKay Robinson – Assistant Superintendent. Charlie Evans – Director of External Relations, and Joan Andrews joined the meeting after roll call.

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**2. Study Session – 5:30 pm**

Ms. Neibaur was not present for this portion of the meeting

- A. Title IX report – Dr. Tom Sherwood, Director of High School Principals

The three prongs of Title IX include proportionality, expansion and accommodating interest. Dr. Sherwood reviewed the Title IX conditions, identified at each of the high schools in the District. Financially all equivalent sports have equal fee structures on all district fee schedules. To increase opportunities for girls in high school athletics high schools will increase their efforts to promote and celebrate girl's athletics in their feeder programs. The District in collaboration with Qualtrix created and conducted an interest inventory that is administered to female students every four years and will conduct the survey during the 2024-2025 school year.

In 2024 overall participation in high school athletics at the five comprehensive high schools showed an increase of 344 student athletes over the previous year. Good progress has been made in addressing inadequacies and inequalities in the facilities. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs.

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9GMM35B6CEB>

B. Athletic Manual and Athletic Web Page Update - Dr. Tom Sherwood, Director of High School Principals

The links were provided to access the CSD Athletic Manual 2024-25 (Draft), the CSD Athletics Web page (Draft) and the common school Athletics Web Page (Draft). The staff is currently working on creating an annual Standard Coach Evaluation form to provide more comprehensive feedback. Presentation available on BoardDocs.

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9GMPC5BEDA9>

**3. Introduction of Student Advisory Council – 6:30 pm**

Ms. Neibaur joined the meeting in person

A. Introduction of Council – Dr. Tom Sherwood, Director of High School Principals

The Student Advisory Council members in attendance introduced themselves to the Board of Education. These students meet monthly with board members to discuss their point of view in their respective schools.

**Alta:** Tessa Osborne, Ty Dutcher, Kason Seamans, Brian Curtis

**Brighton:** Makenna Smith, Tyler Olsen, AJ Annabelle Stanfield, John Roberts

**Corner Canyon:** Kaiya Sharp, Ava Johnson, Chryshaun Lee, Saryn Kirkham

**Hilcrest:** Abhinav Mishra, Jocelyn Martinez, Andrea Contreras, Ava Townsend

**Jordan:** Olivia Judd, Thys Oppermann, Katie Phillippe, Hunter Rudkin

**Diamond Ridge:** Victoria "Tori" Farnsworth, Belia Ishim

**Entrada Adult High School:** Altezz "Tezza" Sayakhammy, Maria Uribe Garcia

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**4. Business Meeting – 7:00 pm**

**5. Opening Items**

A. Welcome  
B. Approve Agenda for October 1, 2024

**MOTION:** Amanda Oaks moved to approve the agenda for October 1, 2024. Andrew Edtl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Pledge of Allegiance – Glacier Hills Elementary, Principal Julie Winfree

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D. School Highlights – Glacier Hills Elementary, Principal Julie Winfree  
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**6. Canyons Strong Staff Recognitions** – Jeff Haney, Director, and Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications

The following were recognized for their achievements:

- East Sandy teacher and Sandy City Council member Alison Stroud for her engagement in the community.
- All CSD custodians for the Oct. 2 National Custodian Appreciation Day.
- Faculty, staff and administrators who contributed to Bella Vista Elementary's federal designation as a National Blue Ribbon School.
- Brighton High teacher Derek Chandler, who won first place in the veteran affairs Veteran's Creative Arts Competition.
- Brighton High teacher Aaron Hadfield for presenting a workshop titled "Simulation Method-Mock Elections" at the Sept 14 Utah Council for Social Studies.
- Hillcrest High teachers Josh Long who will direct a show on London's West End.
- All CSD principals for their hard work and commitment for National Principals Month throughout October.

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**7. Patron Comments**

The following patrons commented:

- Timette Wankier – Custodian transfer at Draper Elementary School
- Ashlee Benns – Gun violence policies
- David Gatti – Violent offenders in schools
- Dennis Lagodimos – Violence and weapons in the schools
- Dawn Alley – Bullying
- Jannett Burelagn – Violence & weapons
- James Longstaff – New STEM school in Draper

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**8. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Minutes for September 17, 2024
- B. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- C. Approval of Student Overnight Travel
- D. Approval of Purchasing Bids
- E. Approval of LEA Specific Licenses and Endorsements
- F. Approval of LAND Trust or TSSP Amendment for Union Middle School
- G. Approval of LAND Trust or TSSP Amendment for Sunrise Elementary School

**MOTION:** Amanda Oaks moved to Approve Consent Agenda Item 8A Approval of Minutes from September 17, 2024; Item 8B Approval of Hire and Termination Reports; Item 8C Approval Student Overnight Travel; Item 8D Approval of Purchasing Bids; Item 8E Approval of Approval of LEA Specific Licenses and Endorsements; Item 8F Approval of LAND Trust or TSSP Amendment for Union Middle School; Item 8G Approval of LAND Trust or TSSP Amendment for Sunrise Elementary School. Karen Pedersen seconded the motion. 6 Yea (Ms. Shill, Ms. Tingey, Ms. Oaks, Ms. Neibaur, Ms. Pedersen, Ms. Millerberg) 1 Not Present (Mr. Edtl) The motion carries.

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**9. New Business**

- A. Strategic Plan Focus Group Report: High Quality Learning – Dr. Amber Roderick Landward, Director of ISD

Dr. Roderick Landward highlighted the 2023-2024 achievements which included writing 1.4 million in new grants, over 4,800 K-8 students participated in extended learning opportunities, 560 professional learning opportunities were provided for educators and instructional guides were accessed 1.73+ million times.

The committee is currently focused on narrowing the focus on the six strategic initiatives and 16 success criteria associated with high quality learning. Next steps include prioritizing critical projects, building a project timeline and then developing an action plan. Presentation and document available on BoardDocs.

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B. Constitutional Amendment A Discussion (Follow Up Discussion, Possible Action)

The Board of Education agreed on language for a statement of opinion in opposition of the "Constitutional Amendment A" that will be on voter ballots in the November election.

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**10. Adjourn meeting as Board of Education**

**MOTION:** Andrew Edtl moved to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Education. Amanda Oaks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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**11. Convene meeting of the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District\***

**MOTION:** Andrew Edtl moved to convene the meeting of the Local building Authority of Canyons School District. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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A. Approve Agenda for Local Building Authority of Canyons School District for October 1, 2024

**MOTION:** Andrew Edtl moved to approve the agenda for the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District for October 1, 2024. Amanda Oaks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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**12. Business items of the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District**

A. **Public Hearing for the Local building Authority of Canyons School District**

Public hearing regarding (a) the issuance of not more than \$50,000,000 of Lease Revenue Bonds and (b) any potential economic impact that the improvements, facility, or property financed in whole or in part with the proceeds of said bonds may have on the private sector - Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator

This public hearing was held to discuss the issuance of bonds to finance the purchase of the eBay campus in Draper. The Board of Education will be discussing potential details for the future of the building during the next Board meeting scheduled October 15, 2024. The lease revenue bond request authorization for \$50M may issue less based on market conditions and needed renovations to the building. The potential of property sales will be discussed in future meetings. The current lease revenue bond payments from 2022 issuance and 2024 issuance in \$9.5M through 2031. To cover the proposed \$2.6M bond payment increase the tax impact on an average \$703,000 home could be between \$20-\$25 depending on property sales and future capital

projects. This proposed lease revenue bond commits money from future property tax and income tax revenue allocated to the school district. Additionally, a lease revenue bond generally has a higher interest cost than a voter-approved general obligation bond. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs.

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**B. Public Comment on the Issuance of the Bonds**

The following patron's comment:

- Milenko Novakovich

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**C. Authorizing Resolution of the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District**

Consideration for adoption of a resolution of the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District, Utah authorizing the issuance and sale of not more than \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Lease Revenue Bonds, and related matters – Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator

**MOTION:** Andrew Edtl moved to approve a resolution of the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District, Utah (The "Authority") Authorizing the issuance and sale of not more than \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2024B (The "Series 2024B Bonds"); Delegating to certain officers of the Authority the ability to approve the final Terms and Provisions of the Series 2024B Bonds; Authorizing and approving a third supplemental indenture of trust, a bond purchase agreement, a second amendment to a Master Lease Agreement, security documents, a ground lease, and other documents necessary for the issuance of the Series 2024B Bonds; authorizing and approving the use and distribution of a preliminary official statement and an official statement; authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution; and related matters." Amanda Oaks seconded the motion. 6 Yea (Ms. Tingey, Mr. Edtl, Ms. Shill, Ms. Oak, Ms. Millerberg, Ms. Pedersen) 1 Nay (Ms. Neibaur) The motion carries.

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**13. Adjourn meeting as a Local Building Authority**

**MOTION:** Andrew Edtl moved to approve to adjourn the meeting as a Local Building Authority. Karen Pedersen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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**14. Reconvene the meeting of the Canyons Board of Education**

**MOTION:** Holly Neibaur moved to approved to reconvene the meeting of the Canyons Board of Education. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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**15. Authorizing Resolution of the Board of Education**

A. Consideration for adoption of a resolution of the Board of Education of Canyons School District, Utah (the "Board") authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a Second Amendment to Master Lease Agreement, by and between the Board and the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District, Utah (the "Authority"); authorizing the issuance and sale by the Authority of not more than \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Lease Revenue Bonds; and related matters – Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator

**MOTION:** Andrew Edtl move to approve a resolution of the Board of Education (The "Board") of Canyons School District, Utah (The "District") authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a second amendment to Master Lease Agreement, by and between the Board and the Local Building Authority of Canyons School District, Utah (The

Authority"); authorizing the execution and delivery of a Bond Purchase Agreement and a Ground Lease Agreement; authorizing the issuance and sale by the Authority of not more than \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of lease revenue bonds, series 2024B (The "Bonds") authorizing a supplemental indenture, a preliminary official statement, an official statement, security documents, and other documents necessary for the issuance of the Bonds; authorizing and approving the use and distribution of a preliminary official statement and an official statement; authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution; and related matters." Kris Millerberg seconded the motion. 6 Yea (Ms. Tingey, Mr. Edtl, Ms. Shill, Ms. Oak, Ms. Millerberg, Ms. Pedersen) 1 Nay (Ms. Neibaur) The motion carries.  
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**16. Staff Comments**

- A. Superintendent Report  
<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9GMN85B6D11>
- B. Business Administrator Report  
<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9GMNB5B6D14>

**17. Board Comments**

- A. The President will recognize individual Board members for reports  
<https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9GMNF5B6D18>

**18. Closing Items**

- A. Adjourn

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ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_ Board President  
Amber Shill

\_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent  
Rick Robins