PIUTE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PREPARING CHILDREN FOR THE FUTURE

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

October 2024 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education was held on **October 8, 2024** at the Piute County Courthouse in Junction, Utah. Teresa Morgan called the meeting to order at **3:34 P.M**. Present was Teresa Morgan, Erin Jensen, Neccia Dalton, and Rick Dalton. (Jeremy Pearson was absent). Also present was Superintendent Koby Willis and Business Administrator Dallas Sylvester. Guests at the meeting were: Tanner Dalton, Paul James, Carol Springer, Brooke Gleave, Kelcie Dastrup, Heather Fautin, Julie Mayo, Janette Lee, Russ Lee, and Shauna Bagley. Present online were: Hunter Tanner, Jennifer Finn, Brandi Schear, and Kristi Fautin.

Work Meeting: The board met before the normal meeting to hold a training on the School Trustlands Program.

Opening Remarks:

- Vice President Teresa Morgan welcomed everyone to the meeting. After the pledge of allegiance was recited, opening remarks were given by Neccia Dalton.

Program Reports:

- **Cheerleading Program**
  - Carol Springer gave the board a report on the cheerleading program.
  - She explained that there are 11 girls and 3 boys on the team this year.
  - She mentioned that the team has partnered with Priscilla Morgan's class to promote more school spirit at the sporting events.
  - She thanked the board for the new mirrors that were ordered for the old gym that the dance and cheer team will be able to use for practice.

- **Library Services**
  - Brooke Gleave presented the board with the Library Services report.
  - She mentioned that she went to training last week for the Sora reading program.
  - She added that she would like to add some incentives for students to get more involved in reading.
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that the Sora Library is managed by CUES.

Public Comments

- Teresa Morgan turned the time over to the public for public comment.
- No public comments were made.

Business Items:

- **Special Education Staffing Recommendations**
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that Sally James will be leaving the school district for other employment.
  - Superintendent Willis explained that the school district will need to replace Sally's positions as a special education teacher at OES, online special education teacher, and the special education director.
  - Superintendent Willis recommended to the school board that Heather Fautin could become the special education teacher at Oscarson Elementary and the Special Education Director in the district. She would continue in her position as the principal of Oscarson Elementary. A new teacher would then be hired to replace Heather as the 1st and 2nd grade teacher at Oscarson Elementary.
  - Heather Fautin mentioned to the school board that she would consider moving positions if it is needed.
  - Superintendent Willis reminded the board that this is just a recommendation and nothing has been decided yet.
  - The board will continue to look into the staffing options to replace Sally James' positions.

- **Policy #4019 Dress And Grooming Standards Revision 3rd Reading**
  - Superintendent Willis presented policy #4019, Dress and Grooming Standards Revision for the 3rd reading.
  - The board reviewed the revision and deliberated over the changes to the policy.
  - Shauna Bagley mentioned that the faculty supports the five inch inseam rule on shorts worn at school.
  - Erin Jensen made a motion to approve the revision to policy #4019, Dress and Grooming Standards on the 3rd reading. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion, motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **Policy #3042 Education Association Leave Revision 1st Reading**
  - Superintendent Willis presented the revision for policy #3042, Education Association Leave for the 1st reading.
  - Rick Dalton made a motion to suspend the second and third readings and approve the revision for policy #3042, Education Association Leave on the 1st reading. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **Bus Garage & High School Remodel Update**
  - Superintendent Willis gave the board an update on the progress of both the bus garage and high school remodel projects.
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that Teddy Lewis with Blake Electric was the low bid for the electrical work on the bus garage and the electrical work will begin soon.

- Superintendent Willis mentioned that there will be an open house on November 13th on meet the T-birds night to tour the high school remodel. The portion that was remodeled is now in use.

- **Elementary Schools Design Update**
  - Superintendent Willis gave an update on the new elementary school designs.
  - Superintendent Willis presented the board with the latest draft of the designs of each school.
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that there is still a lot of debate on the location of the lunchroom at Circleville Elementary School.
  - Superintendent Willis explained that there are still areas in the new school designs that need to be cut down in order to stay within the planned and budgeted square footage of the buildings.

- **CUES Travel Grant For AASA Conference March 5-8**
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that the CUES region superintendents will be traveling to New Orleans in March for the AASA Conference.
  - The cost of travel, lodging, and registration will be covered by CUES.
  - The only cost to the district will be per diem for meals.
  - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve Superintendent Willis to travel out of state to the AASA Conference in March of 2025. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **LEA Specific Licenses**
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that there are several teachers who need LEA specific licenses for certain courses they are teaching this year.
    They are as follows:
    Robert Thomas: Chemistry 9-12
    Whitney Mills: Medical Anatomy & Physiology
    Tyrel Ivie: Web Development I, Web Development II, Unmanned Aerial Systems
    Priscilla Morgan: Theatre Foundations I/Musical Productions
    Meredith Vasquez: Theatre Foundations I/Musical Productions

  - Neccia Dalton made a motion to approve the LEA Specific Licenses as presented. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **HB 84 Requirements Review**
  - Superintendent Willis presented the board with the requirements for House Bill 84.
  - House Bill 84 has requirements for school safety that must be met.
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that there are certain requirements that can receive exemptions if approved by the state.
  - Superintendent Willis mentioned that a school principal cannot be the school safety specialist.
  - Superintendent Willis explained what a school “Guardian” is and what their responsibilities are.
  - Superintendent Willis explained that House Bill 84 requires certain locks, safety features, and other items in school buildings.
  - Paul James explained to the board how the new intercom systems through Audio Enhancement will work in the schools.

- **Approval of Minutes and Vouchers**
    - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes, the October 2nd public hearing meeting minutes, the September payroll, and district vouchers and 25000135-25000232. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **New Hires, Assignments, and Reassignments**
    - **None**

Information Items:

Executive Session : None

Adjournment

- At **5:01 P.M.** Rick Dalton made a motion to adjourn the **October 8, 2024** meeting of the school board. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.