



APPROVED MINUTES

November 2024 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education & Local Building Authority Board of Directors was held on **November 12, 2024** at the Piute County Courthouse in Junction, Utah. Jeremy Pearson called the meeting to order at **3:32 P.M.** Present was Jeremy Pearson, Teresa Morgan, Erin Jensen, Neccia Dalton, and Rick Dalton. Also present was Superintendent Koby Willis and Business Administrator Dallas Sylvester. Guests at the meeting were: Paul James, Dan Springer, Ryan Bjerke, Japheth Mcgee, Shauna Bagley, Russ Lee, Andy Anderson, Heather Fautin, Hunter Tanner, Andy Barney, Rex Waddington, Shauna Bagley, Kelcie Dastrup, Brandi Kennedy, and Jeri Sylvester.

Work Meeting: The board met before the normal meeting to review the current designs of the new elementary schools with KMA Architects.

Opening Remarks:

- President Jeremy Pearson welcomed everyone to the meeting. After the pledge of allegiance was recited, opening remarks were given by Erin Jensen.

Program Reports:

- **Baseball Program**
 - Andy Barney gave the board a report on the baseball program.
 - He thanked the school board and State Bank for the new baseball scoreboard.
 - He mentioned that they had 14 players this year. There was only one senior on the team this year.
 - He added that the team's record this year was 17-7.
 - He mentioned to the board which players were named to the all-region teams.
- **Food Services**
 - Brandi Kennedy presented the board with the Food Services report.
 - She mentioned that everything is going well with food services this year.
 - She added that Gretchen Moore is the new cook in Circleville.
 - She explained that there are a few needs in the kitchens at the elementary schools, but those needs should be resolved with the construction of the new elementary schools.
 - Brandi mentioned that the paperwork to apply for USDA foods will need to be completed in December.

- **Work Based Learning**

- Dan Springer presented the board with the Work Based Learning report.
- He mentioned that there are no students currently participating in the program.
- Students must be seniors to participate. Occasionally juniors may be approved to participate in the program as well.

- **Shooting Sports Club**

- Dan Springer presented the board with the Shooting Sports Club report.
- He mentioned that 22 students signed up to be a part of the club this year.
- He said that he has worked with the special service district to get some things improved at the shooting range.
- The club plans on attending the state competition in May in Saint George this year.

Public Comments

- Jeremy Pearson turned the time over to the public for public comment.
- No public comments were made.

IV. Recess From Board of Education Meeting and open Local Building Authority Board of Trustees Meeting

Erin Jensen made a motion to recess from the regular board meeting and open the Local Building Authority Board of Trustees Meeting. Rick Dalton seconded the motion. Roll call voting as follows: Neccia Dalton Aye, Erin Jensen Aye, Rick Dalton Aye, Teresa Morgan Aye, Jeremy Pearson Aye. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Teresa Morgan made a motion to act as the board of canvassers for the local building authority election. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Business Administrator Dallas Sylvester presented the election results. They are as follows:

Results of the special election of the Local Building Authority of Piute County School District. The special election was held on November 5th, 2024.

Election Results:

- Total Votes Cast 939
 - Votes FOR 471
 - Votes AGAINST 468
- Overvotes 2
- Undervotes 36
- Contest Total 977
- By Mail Ballots Not Counted 0
- Precincts Reporting 5 out of 5

Results By Voting Precinct

5 of 5

- Precinct #1 - Marysville
 - Votes FOR 165
 - Votes AGAINST 149

- Precinct #2 - Junction
 - Votes FOR 65
 - Votes AGAINST 59

- Precinct #3 - Circleville
 - Votes FOR 149
 - Votes AGAINST 135

- Precinct #4 - Kingston
 - Votes FOR 73
 - Votes AGAINST 68

- Precinct #5 - Greenwich
 - Votes FOR 19
 - Votes AGAINST 57

Erin Jensen made a motion to canvass and accept the results of the special bond election. Rick Dalton seconded the motion. Roll call voting as follows: Neccia Dalton Aye, Erin Jensen Aye, Rick Dalton Aye, Teresa Morgan Aye, Jeremy Pearson Aye. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Teresa Morgan made a motion to adjourn from acting as the board of canvassers and return as the board of trustees of the local building authority. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Acting on behalf of the board of trustees of the local building authority, Teresa Morgan made a motion to approve the resolution to accept and promulgate the results of the election and move forward and issue bonds. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Roll call voting as follows: Neccia Dalton Aye, Erin Jensen Aye, Rick Dalton Aye, Teresa Morgan Aye, Jeremy Pearson Aye. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Neccia Dalton made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Local Building Authority Board of Trustees Meeting and return to the regular board meeting. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Business Items:

- **New Softball Field Concept Drawings**
 - Superintendent Willis presented a draft design of the new high school softball field.
 - The field will be constructed to the north of the high school baseball field.
 - Superintendent Willis mentioned that bids are being collected for geotechnical surveys for the field.
 - Superintendent Willis mentioned that the district hopes to start working on the field this year so that it will be completed and ready for the 2026 softball season.
 - The board discussed what the needs will be for the new field and possible orientation of the field.
- **Piute Arts Council**
 - Andy Anderson gave the board a presentation about the Piute Arts Council.
 - The Piute Arts Council was established last February as a non-profit organization.
 - He showed a video that was put together by the arts council that told about its purpose and vision.
 - He explained that the arts council hopes to get more community involvement and feedback.
 - He mentioned that the arts council believes that the arts can help improve our county and create more opportunities.
 - He shared that on Saturday, June 21st there will be a Piute Arts and Cultural Fair.
- **Elementary School Buildings Design Update**
 - Superintendent Willis gave an update on the design progress of the elementary school buildings.
 - Board member Neccia Dalton mentioned that she would like the district to host another design meeting with the community to receive community input and feedback on the designs of the new schools.
 - The board elected to hold community design meetings next Thursday, November 21st in both Circleville and Marysville.
 - The meetings will be a time for community members to give feedback and make suggestions as to what they would like to see in the school designs.
- Rick Dalton made a motion to table the policy revisions below until the December board meeting. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Policy #2096 Discrimination & Harassment Revision 1st Reading

Policy #3076 Employee Devices Acceptable Use Policy Revision 1st Reading

Policy #3077 Employee Devices Standards of Conduct Revision 1st Reading

- **One Time Salary Adjustment**
 - Dallas Sylvester presented the options for a one-time salary adjustment for employees in the district.

- The proposals included a breakdown of different one-time salary adjustments scenarios and what they would cost the district.
 - Dallas mentioned that paying employees in the form of a bonus instead of a one-time salary adjustment would allow the district to pay more to employees. This is because a bonus is not subject to retirement through URS.
 - Paying the amount as a bonus rather than a one-time salary adjustment will save the district about \$12,000, which can be passed on to the employees. This allows the bonuses to be \$5 more per weekly contract hour and still stay within the budget that was set for the bonuses.
 - The board elected to pay employees this year as a bonus rather than a one-time salary adjustment.
 - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve a bonus of \$30 per weekly contracted hour per employee. Teresa Morgan seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **Approval of Minutes and Vouchers**
 - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes, the October payroll, and district vouchers and 25000233-25000314. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
 - **New Hires, Assignments, and Reassignments**

New hires

Hire Austyn Brinkerhoff as an assistant basketball coach

Hire Cindy Wilkey as a substitute

Hire Amanda Baker as a substitute

Hire Kelli Carson as a substitute

Hire Makinley Taylor as a substitute

Hire Mackenzie Anderton as a substitute

Hire Trevor Pearson as a sweeper

Hire Kelece Spencer as a substitute

Hire Samantha Gregersen as a sweeper

Assignments

Assign Heather Fautin as the district Special Education Director

Assign Heather Fautin as a Special Education teacher for OES & UPA

Assign Russ Lee as the school district Assessments Director

Assign Robert Thomas as the district Computer Science Specialist

- Teresa Morgan made a motion to approve the new hires and assignments. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Information Items: None

Executive Session : None

Adjournment

- At **5:03 P.M.** Erin Jensen made a motion to adjourn the **November 12, 2024** meeting of the school board. Rick Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.