

Park City School District

January 15, 2025

Board Training 1:00 pm

Members Present:

Meredith Reed, Nick Hill, Kathleen Britton, Susan Goldberg and Eileen Gallagher

Staff Present:

Caleb Fine, Randall Upton, and Lorie Pearce

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

President Reed called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm, and led the pledge of allegiance.

Finance Overview

Business Administrator, Randy Upton presented a school finance review to the Board. Randy explained the different funding aspects of the budget which include:

- Operations
- Capital Outlay
- Debt Service
- Nutrition Service
- Student Activity
- Insurance
- Foundation

Member Goldberg asked how Randy would assess our financial health. Randy said the District is healthy, because of the way budgets were set up in the past. A big piece of the fund balance is interest that has been accrued which is \$4.6 in interest for the last year.

Legal Training

Attorney Joan Andrew, with Fabian VanCott provided legal overview for School Board and Districts.

- Top Legal Issues for Boards/District
- Open and public meeting act compliance
- Records

- FERPA
 - GRAMA
 - Litigation

- Personnel Issues/Employee Disputes
- Providing FAPE to Students with Disabilities
- Student Discipline/Safe Schools/Non Discrimination

Role of the Local Board is outlined in 53G-4-402 Powers and Duties

Joan went over the Open and Public Meeting Act. The default with public meetings is that you conduct your meetings in public. The preference of the Board can certainly be to be as transparent as possible except for those rare cases when they cannot discuss the information in public.

Joan also emphasized the importance of confidentiality of Closed Meeting discussions. Failure to adhere to this can expose the individual and the board. Assume everything you say and do will end up on the front page of the newspaper. Class B Misdemeanor if the public meetings act is violated.

The board directly hires the Superintendent and BA. The term of office is 2 years. No exception on continued employment beyond contract term. The board is the appeal body for all employees. 53G-11-512(1).

Park City Police Department

The Board was given an overview of the partnership with Park City Police Department and the School Resource Officer. Officers present included: Wade Carpenter, Frank Smith, Casey Bates, Tim Burger, Skyler Talbott PIO, Todd Davis, and Jay Randall.

Chief Carpenter thanked the Board for their hard work. He states that their relationship with the district is very important. Lt Randall oversees the SRO's in the three schools and will have an additional one with HB84. Mike and Lt Randall have spent a great deal of time together collaborating. Lt. Randall encouraged the Board to let them know how they can serve the district. "We rely on this relationship every day". Sheriff Smith said that our number one priority is our children. We plan for the worse and pray for the best. The County Council approved five new SRO's within Summit County. PCSD is well ahead of other schools in the state of Utah.

Caleb said our partnership with the department is so important. He appreciates the safety that everyone provides. No better partnership than we have right here.

Superintendent Community Survey

District Statistician, Lea Hebert, shared the community survey regarding hiring of a new Superintendent. Eight questions were listed on the survey and there were 1043 responses. This information will be shared at the January 21 Board Meeting.

Primary responses came from parents, with the highest priority being a safe and welcoming environment.

Adjourn

Member Hill made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing personnel. Member Gallagher seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all were in favor. Adjourned to Closed Session 4:12 p.m.

Meredith Reed, Board President