

Jordan School District
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
January 14, 2025

The Board of Education of Jordan School District met in a special session on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, beginning at 6:34 p.m. at the JATC South Auditorium, 12723 S. Park Avenue (2080 West), Riverton, Utah. The session was also provided electronically via YouTube.

SPECIAL GENERAL SESSION

Those recognized or in attendance:

Niki George, Board First Vice President
Darrell Robinson, Board Second Vice President
Brian W. Barnett, Board Member
Erin Barrow, Board Member
Lisa Dean, Board Member
Bryce Dunford, Board Member (excused)
Suzanne Wood, Board Member
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent
John Larsen, Business Administrator
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law
Cody Curtis, Administrator of Schools
Odette Desmarais, Administrator of Schools
Meredith Doleac, Administrator of Schools
Rebecca Gerber, Administrator of Schools
April Gaydosh, Administrator of Human Resources
Lisa Robinson, Administrator of Schools
Brad Sorensen, Administrator of Schools
Scott Thomas, Administrator of Auxiliary Services
Sandy Riesgraf, Director, Communications
Roxane Siggard, Administrative Assistant
Rich Graham, AV Department
Nikila Venugopal, Salt Lake County Chief Deputy Clerk
Tracy Miller, Former Board Member
Marilyn Richards, Former Board Member

First Vice President Niki George presided and conducted. She welcomed those present. John Larsen, Business Administrator, led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the Reverence.

A. Administration of the Oath of Office to New and Re-elected Board Members

Mr. Bryce Dunford joined the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Nikila Venugopal, Salt Lake County Deputy Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to the following new and re-elected Board members:

Darrell Robinson	District 1	Re-elected
Suzanne Wood	District 3	New
Erin Barrow	District 4	New
Bryce Dunford	District 5	Re-elected
Niki George	District 6	Re-elected

B. Comments by New and Re-elected Board of Education Members

At the request of Mr. Dunford, the Board agreed to hold the election of officers prior to the comments.

C. Organization of the Board of Education: Election of Board of Education Officers

Mr. Larsen reviewed the procedures used to elect Board officers to serve two-year terms of office for the years 2025 and 2026. He conducted elections for president, first vice president, and second vice president of the Jordan School District Board of Education.

1. Election of President

Mr. Larsen opened nominations for the office of president of the Jordan School District Board of Education to serve a two-year term.

Ms. Lisa Dean nominated Ms. Niki George

Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Larsen confirmed acceptance of the nomination by Ms. George and called for a motion to close nominations for the office of Board president.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Dunford and seconded by Ms. Dean to close the nominations for the office of Board president. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Larsen conducted a vote by raise of hand on the nomination of Ms. Niki George to the office of Board president. Mr. Larsen stated that by unanimous vote, Ms. George was elected to serve a two-year term as president of the Jordan School District Board of Education.

2. Election of First Vice President

Mr. Larsen opened nominations for the office of first vice president of the Jordan School District Board of Education to serve a two-year term.

Mr. Darrell Robinson nominated Mr. Bryce Dunford

Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Larsen confirmed acceptance of the nomination by Mr. Dunford and called for a motion to close the nominations for the office of Board first vice president.

MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Lisa Dean and seconded by Mr. Brian Barnett to close the nominations for the office of Board first vice president. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Larsen conducted a vote by raise of hand on the nomination of Mr. Bryce Dunford to the office of Board first vice president. Mr. Larsen stated that by unanimous vote, Mr. Bryce Dunford was elected to serve a two-year term as first vice president of the Jordan School District Board of Education.

3. Election of Second Vice President

Mr. Larsen opened nominations for the office of second vice president of the Jordan School District Board of Education to serve a two-year term.

Ms. Lisa Dean nominated Mr. Brian Barnett

Mr. Bryce Dunford nominated Mr. Darrell Robinson

Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Larsen confirmed acceptance of the nomination by Mr. Dunford and Mr. Robinson and called for a motion to close the nominations for the office of Board second vice president.

MOTION: It was moved by President Niki George and seconded by Ms. Lisa Dean to close the nominations for the office of Board second vice president. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Larsen conducted a vote by raise of hand on the nomination of Mr. Brian Barnett to the office of Board second vice president. Voting in favor were Board members Dean, Barrow, George, Wood, and Barnett. Mr. Larsen stated that by obtaining a five-vote majority, Mr. Brian Barnett was elected to serve a two-year term as second vice president of the Jordan School District Board of Education.

The Jordan School District Board of Education officers and members as now constituted are:

Niki George, Board President
Bryce Dunford, Board First Vice President
Brian W. Barnett, Board Second Vice President
Erin Barrow, Board Member
Lisa Dean, Board Member
Darrell Robinson, Board Member
Suzanne Wood, Board Member

B. Comments by New and Re-elected Board of Education Members (taken out of order)

Each of the new and re-elected Board members expressed personal feelings about being on the Board of Education.

Mr. Bryce Dunford left the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

D. Recommendation to Authorize Board President and Business Administrator to Sign Contracts, Agreements, and Checks

Mr. John Larsen explained the reason for this business item is to specifically name the Board President Niki George and Business Administrator John Larsen to sign documents on behalf of the District. Including this action in the official minutes is evidence that may be presented to businesses that require the authorized signers to be named.

MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Lisa Dean and seconded by Mr. Brian Barnett to authorize Board President Niki George and Business Administrator John Larsen to sign contracts, agreements, and checks on behalf of the District. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

MOTION: At 7:12 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Brian Barnett and seconded by Ms. Lisa Dean to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

At 7:13 p.m., the meeting adjourned.