

Jordan School District
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
April 22, 2025

The Board of Education of Jordan School District met in study, general, and closed sessions on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, beginning at 4:02 p.m. at JATC South (Board Conference Room), 12723 S. Park Avenue (2080 West), Riverton, Utah. The sessions were also provided electronically via YouTube.

STUDY SESSION

Those recognized or signed in as present:

Niki George, Board President
Bryce Dunford, First Vice President
Brian W. Barnett, Second Vice President
Erin Barrow, Board Member
Lisa Dean, Board Member
Darrell Robinson, Board Member
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
Carolyn Gough, Administrator of Teaching & Learning
Brad Sorensen, Administrator of Schools
Travis Hamblin, Director, Student Services
Sandy Riesgraf, Director, Communications
Caleb Olson, Planning & Enrollment Consultant, Student Services
Michelle Lovell, Consultant, Elementary Language Arts
Kaye Rizzuto, Consultant, Dual Immersion
Mandy Thurman, Consultant, Elementary Language Arts
Lisa LeStarge, Administrative Assistant

President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education met in a study session to discuss the following:

A. Review of Open House for UFLI and Social Studies Curriculum Approval

Carolyn Gough reported on recent open houses for the public to review the new social studies curriculum. Consultant Kaye Rizzuto said although there were very few who attended the in-person event, there were over 953 unique views on the online website.

Ms. Gough emphasized that teachers who piloted the program gave positive feedback. She said updates to the program are done internally as needed.

B. Review of Calendar Survey Results for 2026-27

Dr. Michael Anderson reported there were 6,101 responses to the online survey about the 2026-27 school calendar options, with parents being the largest group. The Long Break option was preferred over the Short Break Option 54 percent to 46 percent. For this reason, the Calendar Committee recommends the Long Break option be approved for 2026-27.

C. Review of Fee Schedule for 2025-26

President George asked Board members what they need to know to vote on the 2025-26 Fee Schedule and what information they need about fees to prepare for the future.

Mr. Robinson said he believes some prices are inflated for “required” athletic attire and inferred parents are not comfortable raising their concerns. He requested a process of anonymity for submitting parental concerns. He also said a year-end audit would be beneficial to assess costs and participation of school athletic programs. Ms. Wood and President George agreed.

Mr. Dunford asked about transportation for athletic competitions and Dr. Godfrey said District funds are used to pay for transportation.

Board members discussed the optional \$50 activity fee students may pay to attend all school athletic events. Brad Sorenson, Administrator of Schools, said schools charge this to recoup fees they lost due to recent legislation that were needed to fund sports programs. It was explained that students may opt to pay for individual activities instead of the yearly activity pass and that performing arts events also charge admission fees.

Dr. Godfrey said the deadline to approve the fee schedule is July 1, 2025. Mr. Dunford suggested establishing Board priorities for fees and President George said this could be added to a future Board meeting agenda.

After further discussion, it was decided to move forward with a vote on the fee schedule in the Business meeting following tonight’s study session.

D. Consideration of Proposed Changes to Administrative Policies: 1) AS67 *Discipline of Students*; 2) AA418 *Discipline of Students – Staff Responsibilities*; and 3) DP378 *Employee Code of Conduct*

Dr. Godfrey said staff was consulted about potential revisions to Policies AS67, AA418, and DP378 and changes were made to align with the Least Restrictive Behavioral Interventions (LRBI) manual, State Board rule, and State law. Although the State is developing a model policy, administration felt the need to move forward with initial revisions of these policies.

Draft changes were pointed out including wording revisions and more exact definitions of certain terms. Dr. Godfrey said administration intends to create a video to be shown to train educators on what physical contact with students is permissible and how it may be initiated in certain circumstances.

Board members gave additional suggestions, including adding wording about “vandalism to property that belongs to other students.” Bryce Dunford recommended adding that “nothing excludes teachers and administrators to use less intrusive means” when it comes to discipline. Dr. Godfrey said further revisions will be made to include these suggestions and agreed to bring the updated policies back to a future study session for more discussion prior to a vote.

E. Review of Potential Revisions to Board Policy GP104 *Board Officers and Appendix Procedures for the Election of Board Officers*

John Larsen said there are conflicts between Policy GP104 and the appendix in regards to procedures for the election of Board Officers. He discussed small wording changes and changes to the procedure if someone is absent or doesn’t vote and there is a tie.

Board attorney Paul Van Komen gave some suggestions regarding phrasing and Mr. Larsen suggested working with Mr. Van Komen to refine the policy and bring it back at another time. Board members agreed and President George recommended a motion during the business meeting to postpone this agenda item.

F. Review of Board Policy GP111 *Types of Meetings*

Bryce Dunford gave a reminder that in a prior Board meeting, the decision was made that no Board meeting would be held in July 2025. However, Policy GP111 requires a meeting be held and Business Administrator John Larsen noted the importance of approving time-sensitive bids and Board minutes in a timely manner. Mr. Dunford suggested the following options:

1. Hold a virtual (electronic) meeting in July for the exclusive intent of approving bids and consent agenda minutes from June 10, 2025.
2. Commission a quorum of Board members to approve the bids and consent agenda items in a brief in-person Board meeting.
3. Mr. Larsen determining a way to meet policy guidelines without holding a Board meeting.

MOTION: It was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Darrell Robinson to hold a virtual meeting in July 2025 with the anchor location at the District Office for the purpose of approval of minutes and a vote on current bids. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Board members decided the electronic meeting will be held July 8, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

G. Review of 2025 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Conference

Due to the time constraint, Niki George requested item G be discussed after tonight's business meeting. All Board members concurred.

At 5:57 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

JORDAN YOUTH SYMPHONY

Prior to the start of the general session, Board members and patrons were invited to listen to the Jordan Youth Symphony perform several musical selections. The Symphony is under the direction of Eric Perkins, Oquirrh Hills Middle School; Candace Bennett, West Hills Middle School; and Jennifer Clark, Copper Mountain Middle School.

The general session started at 6:34 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

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Brad Sorensen, Administrator of Schools
Scott Thomas, Administrator of Auxiliary Services
Paul Bergera, Director, Transportation Services
Daniel Ellis, Director, Accounting, Budgets and Audits
Jason Mott, Senior Accountant, Accounting
Steven Peart, Director, Custodial/Energy Services
Kurt Prusse, Director, Purchasing

Sandy Riesgraf, Director, Communications
Michelle Lovell, Consultant, Elementary Language Arts
Kaye Rizutto, Consultant, Dual Immersion
Amanda Bollinger, Administrator, Teaching & Learning
Lisa LeStarge, Administrative Assistant
Janet Sanders, President, Jordan Education Association
Sonja Delaney, Director, Region 6 PTA
Jessica Navarro, Associate Director, Region 6 PTA
Cammie Whitchurch, Awards Specialist, Region 6 PTA
Julie Brunner, Reflections Specialist, Region 6 PTA
Todd Quarnberg, Principal, Herriman High School
Mahdis Adams
Wendy Berrett
Lily Praag
Addison Barker
Josh Hold
Exodus Afatasi
James Freeland
Morgan Bangerter
Devionare Howland
Janet Sanders
Bree Halterman
Garrett Draper
Chelsea Lopez

President George presided and conducted. She welcomed those present. Principal Jim Groethe, of South Hills Middle School, led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Reverence was given by Miki Wakamatsu, Student Body Officer at South Hills Middle School.

Celebrating South Hills Middle School

Miki Wakamatsu also presented information to the Board about the good things happening at this school and reviewed some of the programs and activities in which students and faculty members participate.

Resolutions of Appreciation

Lisa Dean read a Resolution of Appreciation for the following former Jordan District employees who recently passed away:

Paul Anthony Greigo – employed by Jordan District from 1986 to 2000
Marilyn Kay Adamson Clayton Guthrie – employed by Jordan District from 1997 to 2008
JoAn Hermansen – employed by Jordan District from 1963 to 2000
Lynn Rodney Sedgwick – employed by Jordan District from 1976 to 1995
Geneal Christensen Stowe – employed by Jordan District from 1971 to 1975
Nancy Stone White – employed by Jordan District from 2002 to 2007

Recognition of Utah State PTA Reflections Award Winners

Utah PTA Director Sonja Delaney introduced Jessica Navarro, PTA Associate Director; Cammie Whitchurch, Awards Specialist; and Julie Brunner, Reflections Specialist. Ms. Brunner recognized Jordan District students who received awards at the State-level Reflections competition. The following students were recognized:

Award of Excellence – These students advance to the National level

Atticus Baldwin	Music	South Jordan Middle School
Ledger Pedroza	Music	Majestic Elementary School

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Arianna Shamy	Music	Mountain Ridge High School
Audrey Stratford	Photography	Blackridge Elementary School
<u>Award of Merit</u>		
Ashlyn Childs	Photography	South Jordan Elementary School
Miya Childs	Dance	Rose Creek Elementary School
Anya Cieslinski	Literature	Mountain Ridge High School
Boston Clancy	Music	Majestic Elementary Arts Academy
Ivy Clark	2D Visual Art	Golden Fields Elementary School
Hayden Draper	Literature	Mountain Point Elementary School
Naybi Dye	3D Visual Art	Riverton High School
Kaybree Goines	Film	West Jordan Middle School
Erin Grimshaw	2D Visual Art	Bingham High School
Sadie Henderson	2D Visual Art	Herriman High School
Addelyn Holt	Photography	Riverton High School
Russell Jenkins	Film	Welby Elementary School
Madison Lundquist	Photography	Bingham High School
	3D Visual Art	
Bridger Pedroza	3D Visual Art	Bingham High School
	Film	
	Literature	
	Photography	
Nathan Prince	Music	Midas Creek Elementary School
Brynlee Runyan	Photography	Golden Fields Elementary School
Elise Shepherd	Literature	Hayden Peak Elementary School
Kennedy Sorenson	Dance	Riverton High School
Melodee Turner	Literature	Fox Hollow Elementary School

Recognitions – Region 6 PTA Awards

PTA Director Sonja Delaney said Utah PTA Awards are given to individuals who work hard to make a difference in local schools and communities. She recognized the following Region 6 PTA Award winners:

Honorable Mention

Bingham High School	Chucky Pham	Outstanding Secondary Educator Award
	Stephanie Maumau	Outstanding Support Staff Award
	Jenn Dishman	Spirit of PTA Award
Blackridge Elementary School	Cindy Tenney	Engagement Award
	Kristi Heywood	Outstanding Volunteer Award
Elk Meadows Elementary School	Emily Crane	Outstanding Elementary Educator Award
Jordan Hills Elementary School	Jennifer Carlson &	Engagement Award
	Susan Champion	
	Michelle Bailey	Outstanding Support Staff Award

Region Winners

Bingham High School	Ivie Erickson	Outstanding School Administrator Award
	Karina Taylor	Spirit of Inclusivity Award
Elk Meadows Elementary School	Jeff Welch	Outstanding Support Staff Award
	Carolann Rogers	Spirit of PTA Award
Foothills Elementary School	Morgan Meyers	Engagement Award
	Natalie Tycksen	Outstanding Elementary Educator Award
	Abe Yospe	Outstanding Elementary Educator Award
	Darrell Robinson	Spirit of PTA Award
Jordan Hills Elementary School	Brita Engh	Outstanding Volunteer Award
Mountain Ridge High School	Bailey Donohoo	Outstanding Secondary Educator Award

Region and State Winners

Butterfield Canyon Elementary School	RaNisha Glover	Outstanding Elementary Educator Award
Foothills Elementary School	Brandi Eaton	Advocacy Award
	Katelyn Vidmar	Development Award
	Patricia Hanlon	Outstanding Support Staff Award
	Whitney Joseph	Outstanding Support Staff Award
Riverton High School	Kayla Edwards	Outstanding Secondary Educator Award
Westland Elementary School	Hilary Moser & the Kindness Committee	Engagement Award

Board Member Recognitions

Suzanne Wood highlighted the District's partnership with the Special Olympics and said Jordan has the most Unified Champion School program participation in the State, with over 200 athletes and partners participating at the high school level. She congratulated the following State Basketball champions from West Jordan High School: Bree Halterman, Nick Caplinger, Josue Veleta Estrada, Garrett Draper, Jean Pierre Campos Fernandez, and Peter Mukuru. She also recognized teachers and coaches: Jessica Little, Sheldon Russell, and Christy Baker.

Peer tutor Bree Halterman and Garrett Draper, student athlete, spoke about the positive impact of the Unified Sports program.

Lisa Dean recognized Chelsea Lopez, a paraeducator who was recently awarded the Outstanding Paraeducator Award by the Utah Council for Exceptional Children. Her work in building a non-profit inclusion cheer program was highlighted. Ms. Lopez said she was a former student and peer tutor and expressed gratitude for her experiences in Jordan.

Ms. Dean attended the musical "Matilda" at Joel P. Jensen Middle School and said it was an amazing student-run production.

President George gave a shoutout to the Jordan Youth Symphony who performed at tonight's Board meeting. She enjoyed a recent performance of "The Lion King" at Oakcrest Elementary School and the Unified Bocce Ball Tournament held at Elk Meadows Elementary School.

Erin Barrow gave a recommendation to view the student art on display at the Old Dome Meeting Hall in Riverton. High school student art is there currently and middle school art will be on display in May.

Superintendent's Recognitions

I. Public Comments

A. Public Comments Regarding Non-Agenda Items

Todd Quarnberg, principal, expressed concern over the growing enrollment in online PE classes at Herriman High School. He requested more functional gym space to accommodate all students and suggested a field house would solve the problem.

Mahdis Adams, an employee, thanked Board members for their service. She asked them to consider pay increases for speech language pathologists in the District.

Wendy Berrett, an employee, said speech language pathologists fill a critical need in the District and asked the Board to consider using SHINE (Supplement for Highly Needed Educators) funds to increase pay for SLPs.

Lily Praag, a student, said she is a peer tutor for Unified Sports. She advocated for retaining the program.

Addison Barker, a student, said she is a peer tutor for Unified Sports and asked the Board to keep this program.

Josh Holt, head coach at Riverton High School, expressed concern that the number of sports at schools has increased although facility space has not expanded.

Exodus Afatasi, a student, thanked coaches for all they have done for him at Riverton High School. He also requested "equal access to success" with better athletic facilities.

James Freeland, a parent, said students need more space and adequate athletic facilities. He asked for equity and access for all students.

Morgan Bangerter, a parent and School Community Council and PTA member, requested the Board consider realigning boundaries so all Midas Creek Elementary School students can attend the same secondary schools. She said one feeder system would be better for students that have been split among three different middle and high schools.

Devionare Howland, a teacher, expressed appreciation for the new social studies curriculum, which she helped write. She said it will be a great benefit to students.

Janet Sanders, Jordan Education Association president, spoke about recent State legislation, noting that 320,000 signatures were gathered for a referendum against HB 267, so the bill now qualifies for the November 2026 ballot. She encouraged the Board to move forward with negotiating a new contract with JEA prior to the referendum vote.

President George invited Mr. Larsen, business administrator, to read comments submitted to boardcomments@jordandistrict.org from the following individuals, whose comments are summarized below:

Corrie Chase, Tiffany Boman, Susie Cuzme, Brooke Boldt, and Laurel Coe each petitioned the Board for fair compensation for speech language pathologists.

II. General Business – Consent Agenda

A. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items

1. Minutes

Minutes of the Board of Education meetings held March 25, 2025 and April 8, 2025, were presented to the Board of Education for approval.

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow to approve minutes from March 25, 2025 and April 8, 2025. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

2. School LAND Trust Plans for 2025-26

School LAND Trust Plans for 2025-26 were presented to the Board of Education for final approval.

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow to approve School LAND Trust Plans for 2025-26. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

3. **Teacher School Success Act (TSSA) Plans for 2025-26**

TSSA Plans for 2025-26 were presented to the Board of Education for approval.

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow to approve TSSA Plans for 2025-26. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

4. **LAND Trust Plan Amendment 2024-25 for Elk Ridge Middle School**

A School LAND Trust Plan amendment for Elk Ridge Middle School was presented to the Board of Education for approval.

MOTION: It was moved by Erin Barrow and seconded by Suzanne Wood to approve LAND Trust Plan Amendment 2024-25 for Elk Ridge Middle School. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

5. **Evaluation of Superintendent of Schools**

In accordance with Board Policy BSC204 *Monitoring Superintendent Performance*, an evaluation was conducted and presented to the Board of Education for approval.

6. **Evaluation of Business Administrator**

In accordance with Board Policy BSC205 *Monitoring Performance of the Business Administrator*, an evaluation was conducted and presented to the Board of Education for approval.

MOTION: It was moved by Erin Barrow and seconded by Suzanne Wood to approve Consent Agenda items A5 and A6 *Evaluations for Superintendent of Schools and Business Administrator*, as recommended. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

7. **Adoption of UFLI and Social Studies Curriculum**

As required by Administrative Policy DE501 *Curriculum Adoption and Review Committee*, UFLI and Social Studies Curriculum was presented to the Board of Education for adoption.

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to approve the adoption of UFLI and Social Studies Curriculum. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Ms. Barrow expressed appreciation for Dr. Godfrey and Mr. Larsen for their kindness, patience and helpfulness toward new Board members.

B. **Motion to Accept Consent Agenda Items**

1. **Expenditures**

Expenditures for the month of March 2025 were provided to the Board of Education.

2. **Financial Statement**

The financial statement through March 31, 2025, was provided to the Board of Education. A copy is attached at the conclusion of these minutes. (Attachment 1)

3. **Personnel – Licensed and Education Support Professionals**

Personnel changes for the month of March 2025 were provided to the Board of Education.

4. **Recommendation to Issue Certificates for Home Instruction**

It was recommended that the students whose parents have filed affidavits pursuant to Utah Code 53G-6-204 shall be issued certificates excusing them from attending public school.

5. **Non-Compliance Report**

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow to accept Consent Agenda items B1 through B5, as recommended. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

III. **Bid Recommendations**

A. School or Department
Herriman High School Items for Bid
Chromebooks & Licenses

<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Amount of Bid</u>
Bluum	\$160,550.00
Connection	
Howard Technology Solutions	
Insight Public Sector	
SHI International Corp.	
Trafera	

Purpose: To provide Chromebooks and Chrome OS licenses for Herriman High School.

Budget: Herriman High Land Trust

Recommendation: It was recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsive, responsible and acceptable bidder, Trafera. The company complied with the specifications, terms, and conditions outlined in the bid documents.

B. School or Department
Mountain Ridge High School Items for Bid
Chromebooks & Licenses

<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Amount of Bid</u>
Bluum	\$166,170.00
Connection	
CDW Government	
Howard Technology Solutions	
Insight Public Sector	
SHI International Corp.	
Trafera	

Purpose: To provide Chromebooks and Chrome OS licenses for Mountain Ridge High School.

Budget: Teacher Student Success Act

Recommendation: It was recommended placing the orders with the state contract vendor, SHI International Corp. They were the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to comply with the specifications, terms, and conditions of the bid. State Contracts: PA4287 and MA3993.

MOTION: It was moved by Brian Barnett and seconded by Erin Barrow to approve the bid for Chromebooks & Licenses at Herriman High and Mountain Ridge High Schools, as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

C.	<u>School or Department</u> Teaching & Learning	<u>Items for Bid</u> Instructure Mastery Connect
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<u>Bidders</u> Utah Education and Telehealth Network (UEN)	<u>Amount of Bid</u> \$538,817.81
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Purpose: To provide three years of access to the Instructure Mastery Connect assessment platform.

Budget: Teaching & Learning

Recommendation: It was recommended awarding the contract to Utah Education and Telehealth Network as a Purchase Between Procurement Units, per Utah Code Annotated 63G-6a-2103(1)a.

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to approve the bid for Instructure Mastery Connect for Teaching & Learning, as recommended.

Amanda Bollinger, Administrator of Teaching & Learning, discussed the usage percentage of the Mastery Connect program at each level and emphasized its importance in data analysis and assessments. She explained the cost savings and plans to promote increased usage in high schools.

Brian Barnett expressed concern about usage level across the District and said he would appreciate more time to look at bids prior to business meetings.

President George called for a vote on the bid for Instructure Mastery Connect for Teaching & Learning. The motion passed with a vote of six to one. Mr. Barnett cast the dissenting vote.

D.	<u>School or Department</u> Facility Services	<u>Items for Bid</u> Parking Lot Addition at West Jordan High School
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<u>Bidders</u> Acme Construction Arnell-West, Inc. Black Forest Paving England Construction Mahas Construction Peckham Asphalt Paving, Inc.	<u>Amount of Bid</u> \$770,410.29
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Purpose: To provide an additional parking area for portables while West Jordan High School is being remodeled.

Budget: West Jordan High School Remodel

Recommendation: It was recommended awarding the contract to the lowest responsive, responsible and acceptable bidder, Black Forest Paving. The company complied with the specifications, terms, and conditions outlined in the bid documents.

MOTION: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to approve the bid for Parking Lot Addition at West Jordan High School, as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

E. School or Department
Transportation

Items for Bid
**School Bus Routing/Planning
Software, Field Trip/Activity Trip
Planning Software and Tablet
Technology**

Bidders
Education Logistics
TransAct Communications
Transfinder
Zum Services

Amount of Bid
\$744,190.00 (5-year contract)

Purpose: To provide Jordan School District Transportation Department drivers with school bus routing and planning software, field trip/activity trip planning software, and tablets with turn-by-turn navigation.

Budget: Pupil Transportation – Transportation Software

Recommendation: It was recommended awarding the contract to Transfinder. They complied with the specifications, terms, and conditions outlined in the RFP documents. The Purchasing Department made the recommendation based on the results of the evaluation process and final ratings of the proposals.

MOTION: It was moved by Darrell Robinson and seconded by Erin Barrow to approve the bid for School Bus Routing/Planning Software, Field Trip/Activity Trip Planning Software and Tablet Technology for Transportation, as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. **Special Business**

A. **BUDGET HEARING: Recommendation to Approve Amended Budget for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year**

Bryce Dunford, Finance Committee Chair, explained that the Board has designated three opportunities for budget hearings: December, April, and June. He said the Finance Committee has reviewed the changes to be presented tonight and recommends approval of the 2024-25 amended budget.

John Larsen, Business Administrator, introduced the revised budget for the general fund, indicating the current April report includes account updates and adjustments. He said local revenues were projected to be higher than originally estimated and property taxes assigned to the general fund offset the State guarantees. Mr. Larsen also reported a \$2 million change in State revenue and a Federal revenue increase of \$900,000 (due in a large part to Special Education program changes).

Mr. Larsen commented on expenditures, noting that in June 2024, approximately \$66 million of unassigned funds were re-categorized and assigned to instruction. Mr. Dunford added that this it is required by law to make sure all funds are “assigned” by the end of the fiscal year. Mr. Larsen also pointed out a large decrease in insurance premiums, as they were less than anticipated this year.

Suzanne Wood, member of the Finance Committee, said Mr. Larsen gave the committee a detailed explanation of budget changes and answered her questions. She said she is very comfortable with the amended budget.

MOTION: It was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Lisa Dean to approve the Amended Budget for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year.

Public Comment

No patrons signed up to address the Board regarding this Special Business item and no patrons accepted the invitation to speak.

Mr. Dunford thanked Senior Accountant Jason Mott for his work in consistently predicting revenues for the fiscal year and Director of Accounting Dan Ellis for his efforts on the budget.

President George called for a vote on the motion to approve the Amended Budget for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year. The motion passed unanimously.

A copy of the *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances* is attached at the conclusion of these minutes (Attachment 2)

B. Recommendation to Approve Calendar for 2026-27 School Year

Dr. Michael Anderson explained the importance of the District Calendar, noting it effects families, communities, and employees. He explained the survey process and noted over 6,000 people participated. He said the Calendar Committee, comprised of a variety of stakeholders, recommends the Long Break calendar for the 2026-27 school year as 54 percent of survey respondents' preferred this option.

MOTION: It was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Darrell Robinson to approve the Long Break Calendar for the 2026-27 School Year.

Public Comment

No patrons signed up to address the Board regarding this Special Business item and no patrons accepted the invitation to speak.

Mr. Robinson said he is grateful for public input on District calendars.

President George called for a vote on the motion to approve the 2026-27 School Year Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

A copy of the approved 2026-27 calendar is attached at the conclusion of these minutes (Attachment 3)

C. Recommendation to Approve Student Fee Schedule for the 2025-26 School Year

MOTION: It was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Suzanne Wood to approve the Student Fee Schedule for 2025-26.

Mr. Robinson said he will be voting against the 2025-26 School Fee Schedule for reasons he expressed in the prior study session.

Public Comment

No patrons signed up to address the Board regarding this Special Business item and no patrons accepted the invitation to speak.

President George called for a vote on the motion on the 2025-26 Student Fee Schedule. The motion passed with a vote of six to one. Mr. Robinson cast the dissenting vote.

The Student Fee Schedule, including specific school fees, is located at:
<http://fees.jordandistrict.org>.

D. **Recommendation to Approve Potential Revisions to Board Policy GP104 Board Officers and Appendix Procedures for the Election of Board Officers**

MOTION: It was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Brian Barnett to postpone item D *Recommendation to Approve Potential Revisions to Board Policy GP104 Board Officers and Appendix* for a future agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

V. **Information Items**

A. **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Godfrey said he had nothing to report at this time.

VI. **Discussion Items**

A. **Committee Reports and Comments by Board Members**

Bryce Dunford, Finance Committee chair, informed the Board that the Committee would like to move funds from the unassigned category to the assigned personnel category to realign the funds set aside for that purpose.

Lisa Dean gave a reminder of the Jordan Education Foundation Challenge Run that will be held May 10, 2025 at Veterans Memorial Park in West Jordan.

Erin Barrow reported on her first Jordan Parent Advisory Committee (JPAC) meeting held last week. She said although there was limited attendance, there was good discussion about current legislation that was passed. She said they also discussed the cellphone policy and overall it was seen as a positive change. Ms. Barrow intends to hold the next meeting in November of 2025 after new Committee chairs have been appointed.

Lisa Dean announced the Licensed Employee Advisory Committee (LEAC) meeting to be held April 23, 2025. She said it is intended to get feedback from representatives on agenda topics for next year.

Darrell Robinson said that he had a request from the Jordan Education Association to make contract negotiations a priority. He Asked Board members if they would consider another Board meeting. Dr. Godfrey explained the turnaround time for tentative agreements for both the JEA and Board; it was decided to discuss this further in tonight's closed session.

Niki George gave the following recommendations:

- 1) Based on interest from a stakeholder about sponsoring a Youth Court, the Government Relations Committee be assigned to study this possibility.
- 2) Finance Committee review options to remedy possible busing issues including field trip driver shortages and busing for special needs students.
- 3) Board members contact the Executive Committee if there are suggestions for topics to be included on future Board meeting agendas.

Board members agreed with these recommendations.

MOTION: At 9:27 p.m., it was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Darrell Robinson to close the business meeting and return to study session. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. The Board reconvened the study session at 9:39 p.m.

STUDY SESSION, Continued

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President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education continued its study session to discuss the following:

G. Review of 2025 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Conference

Niki George invited Darrell Robinson to report on his experience at the recent NSBA Conference.

Mr. Robinson said he attended classes on special education, cellphones, technology and artificial intelligence (School AI), and autism. One class on superintendent evaluations increased his appreciation for the great leadership in Jordan District, noting Dr. Godfrey's length of service denotes the high level of trust Board members have in him.

President George asked about the benefits of Board members attending conferences, suggesting shared vision and an increase in knowledge are reasons she attends. She asked if Board members would like to make it a priority to attend an annual conference together. Board members had differing views and after discussion it was decided, if possible, Board members should plan to attend the annual USBA Conference.

Mr. Robinson requested to attend the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) Conference in Texas this year, and Bryce Dunford suggested he write up a proposal to submit to the Board Executive Committee.

MOTION: At 10:24 p.m., it was moved by Erin Barrow and seconded by Suzanne Wood to go into closed session. The motion passed with a unanimous roll-call vote.

CLOSED SESSION

Those recognized or signed-in as present:

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

Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent
John Larsen, Business Administrator
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law

President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education met in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; property, potential litigation, negotiations, and security measures. The closed session discussion was recorded and archived.

MOTION: At 12:42 a.m., it was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Brian Barnett to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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Attachments