



Closed Executive Session and Business Meeting

(Tuesday, September 2, 2025)

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Members present

Melanie Hall, Jennifer Partridge, Gina Hales, Teri McCabe, Lisa Boyce, Megan Van Wagenen, Emily Harrison

1. 5:15pm Closed Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Litigation. UT Code 52.4.205

Procedural: A. Welcome: President Jennifer Partridge

Meeting called to order at 5:15pm.

Procedural: B. Roll Call *(Audio Timestamp 00:14)*

Jennifer Partridge, Board President; Gina Hales, Board Vice President; Melanie Hall, Board Member; Lisa Boyce, Board Member; Meg Van Wagenen, Board Member; Emily Harrison, Board Member; Devyn Dayley, Business Administrator, Wendy Dau, Superintendent

Action: C. Motion to Convene Study Session *(Audio Timestamp 00:32)*

I move that we convene a study session.

Motion by Lisa Boyce, second by Melanie Hall.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Melanie Hall, Jennifer Partridge, Gina Hales, Lisa Boyce, Megan Van Wagenen, Emily Harrison

Not present at vote: Teri McCabe

Action: D. Motion to Convene Closed Executive Session

(Audio Timestamp 00:47)

I move that we convene a closed executive session for the purpose of discussing Litigation.

Motion by Lisa Boyce, second by Emily Harrison

**Teri McCabe, Board Member arrived at 5:16pm.*

Roll call vote: Jennifer Partridge, Aye; Gina Hales, Aye; Melanie Hall, Aye; Lisa Boyce, Aye; Meg Van Wagenen, Teri McCabe, Aye; Emily Harrison, Aye

Discussion, Information: E. Litigation

Action: F. Motion to Adjourn

2. 6:00pm Business Meeting

Procedural: A. Welcome: President Jennifer Partridge

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm

Procedural: B. Roll Call *(Audio Timestamp 00:00:13)*

Melanie Hall, Board Member; Emily Harrison, Board Member; Meg Van Wagenen, Board Member; Wendy Dau, Superintendent; Jennifer Partridge, Board Vice President; Gina Hales, Board Member; Teri McCabe, Board Member; Lisa Boyce, Board Member; Devyn Dayley, Business Administrator

Not present: Student Board Members Bailee Lindstrom and Rachel Ryu

Action: C. Motion to Convene *(Audio Timestamp 00:00:33)*

I move that we convene our Business Meeting.

Motion by Melanie Hall, second by Lisa Boyce.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Melanie Hall, Jennifer Partridge, Gina Hales, Teri McCabe, Lisa Boyce, Megan Van Wagenen, Emily Harrison

Procedural: D. Pledge of Allegiance: Darrell Jensen, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Education *(Audio Timestamp 00:00:50)*

Discussion, Information: E. Wasatch Elementary Wall Discussion

(Audio Timestamp 00:01:22)

Summary:

- Review of history
- After the failure, the district hired two independent contractors to help solve the problem
- Proposed blanket drain behind the wall, not sure how far
- Still waiting for a proposal and costs
- When those numbers are available the independent contractors will review
- Working to get it done right and hoping to get it done before weather makes things more difficult
- A motion to approve funds is on the agenda, can vote to wait until we have all the information, there is a regularly scheduled board meeting next week

Discussion, Information: F. County Property Tax Error Discussion

(Audio Timestamp 00:11:48)

Summary:

- Valuations and tax rate set by county
- Rate goes down when valuations go up (helps to keep things steady, avoids windfalls to school district)
- When we need to increase the district budget (income), it has to be done through public meetings and a public hearing and 'truth in taxation'
- Voted to do so recently as it wouldn't significantly change most people's tax rates and we need the funds to increase salaries and keep good personnel here in Provo
- County found that the valuations had errors, some double counted, higher than was thought
- County error
- Rod Mann, County Auditor, Burt Harvey, Tax Administration Manager
 - [Provo Property Value Error Presentation](#)
- The County is addressing the error by automating one transfer of data issue, also each entity (city, school district) will be able to review it previous to public mailings

3. Community Connections

Procedural: A. Public Input *(Audio Timestamp 00:41:03)*

*Board Member Megan Van Wagenen needs to leave the meeting for a funeral and will miss the vote. She stated before leaving that if she could vote, she would vote to correct this mistake now.

Summary:

Aaron Wheatley, resident in Provo Peaks area:

- Asked for clarification on 'rainy day fund.'
- He doesn't think it should be used now, for this.
- Thanks for the video explaining the error and process.
- Fix the problem now instead of putting it off, think of future and students and children, should be helping them

Rachel Breen, resident in Westridge area:

- She doesn't approve of kicking the can, take care of the error this year.
- Thanks for the video, mistakes happen, don't dip into the rainy-day fund.

**Board Member Meg Van Wagenen left before business items at 6:50pm*

4. Business Items

Action: A. Large Purchase Request: Wasatch Elementary School Wall

(Audio Timestamp 00:47:05)

I move that we table the approval process for expenditures for the Wasatch Elementary School Wall until we have both a design for that wall that has been checked by our independent geo-technical contractor as well as the cost of that wall.

Motion by Lisa Boyce, second by Teri McCabe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Melanie Hall, Jennifer Partridge, Gina Hales, Teri McCabe, Lisa Boyce, Emily Harrison

Not Present at Vote: Megan Van Wagenen

Action: B. County Property Tax Error *(Audio Timestamp 00:48:44)*

Summary: Discussion regarding questions asked in public comment and board questions for the County Auditors preceded the motion.

(Audio Timestamp 01:05:51)

I move that we approve the new rate of .007305 for the new county rate.

Motion by Melanie Hall, second by Gina Hales.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Melanie Hall, Jennifer Partridge, Gina Hales, Teri McCabe, Lisa Boyce, Emily Harrison

Not Present at Vote: Megan Van Wagenen

5. Adjourn

Action: A. Motion to Adjourn (*Audio Timestamp 01:07:41*)

I move we adjourn the business meeting.

Motion by Lisa Boyce, second NONE.