

## MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION – DECEMBER 1, 2025

The Board of Education of the Aspen Peaks School District met in a study session on Monday, December 1, 2025, at 8:04 AM. The study session took place in the boardroom at the Alpine School District office.

Board members present: Board President Diane Knight, Vice President Amber Bonner, Nicki Brammer, Jeanne-Marie Burrows, Jason Hart, Steven Sparti, and Jason Theler.

Also present: Executive Director of USBA, Richard Stowell, President of USBA, Dr. Mark Clement, and Vice President of USBA Julie Jackson. There were approximately 2 others in attendance.

### Superintendent Search Presentation

Richard Stowell, Executive Director of USBA, introduced President of USBA, Dr. Mark Clement who provided a hand out for their upcoming conference in January 2026 and information on being a member of USBA as well as the benefits. Dr. Clement fielded questions from the Board.

Julie Jackson, Vice President of USBA offered words of support and provided her contact information advising she is available for any kind of support they need.

Richard Stowell, Executive Director of USBA, provided information on the process of finding a Superintendent. He explained the process from start to finish, advising that USBA can assist and guide them through this process with no cost to them other than printing and distribution. USBA representatives fielded questions from the Board.

### Technology

Darren Draper, Administrator of Technology and Digital Innovation at Alpine School District, reviewed the start of reserving domains, setting up emails, and websites for the new district.

### Board Compensation

Board President, Diane Knight, discussed SB188 and how it states they are set to adopt Alpine School District's current board compensation, including benefits. They reviewed Alpine School District's board compensation along with other board compensations.

### FY26 Budget

Vice President, Amber Bonner, reviewed the potential FY26 budget to bring to the next board meeting for approval which includes the board members' salaries, benefits, Superintendent salary, and potential stipends for employees.

**The meeting adjourned at 10:47 AM.**