

Garfield County School District Work
Meeting
Thursday, November 20, 2025 3:00 PM
Mountain

Garfield County Courthouse
55 S Main St.
Panguitch, UT 84759

I. Work Meeting

I.A. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 PM and all board members were present including April Lefevre, Curtis Barney, Ralph Perkins, Jared Brems, and Myron Cottam. Also present were Superintendent John Dodds and Business Administrator Lane Mecham.

II. Discussion Items

II.A. Aide Training

Superintendent discussed paraprofessional training across the district. The board discussed having a binder available for quick reference. A substitute plan was also raised as an issue for discussion and various ideas were discussed for being prepared. The board also discussed lesson preparation and how often and to what depth might be appropriate. The board discussed the use of Canvas as a potential way of providing a single touchpoint for parents to check in on students.

II.B. Summer Ag Program

Superintendent led a discussion about the summer ag program, travel for the program, and pay for the program. There was some discussion about funding, CTSO's, and what work needed to be done still to maximize funding and get the full CTSO's in place. Superintendent said he would work with CTE director Jeff Brinkerhoff on it and report back.

III. Policy

III.A. Redline and New Model Policies

Superintendent reported that the model policies have come back and there are many changes. He asked the Board to review the policies between this meeting and next and be prepared to adopt policies at next meeting.

IV. Board Training

IV.A. Master Board Award

The Board had questions about why their MBA's show completed but are not reporting as being completed. April said she would follow up with USBA personnel.

IV.A.1. Student Advocacy Training

V. Review Board Agenda

VI. Executive Session

1. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
2. Discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.

3. Strategy to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
4. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
5. Strategy to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real estate.
6. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal conduct.

A motion was made to go into executive session for #1 and #3. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.

Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.