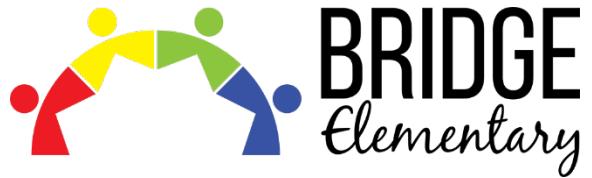


**Bridge Elementary  
Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Date:** January 20, 2026



**Location:**<https://zoom.us/j/99737499735?pwd=1I1Sl9m6TSDQ6R3gxxeirCdhb82ysw.1>

**Board Member Present:** Trent Ady, Marianne Henderson, Lance Eastman, Linda Nilson

**Others Present:** Janey Stoddard, Lalani Williams, Sara Tucker, Diane Arrington, and Ron Hubbard

## MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER:

At 5:05 Marianne Henrerson called the meeting to order.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- Approve Previous Months Board Meeting Minutes

Linda Nilsen made a motion to approve the December 2025, Board Meeting Minutes. Lance Eastman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Trent Ady, Marianne Henderson, Lance Eastman, and Linda Nilson

VOTING AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Director's Report- Janey Stoddard
- Staff Highlight: Janey highlighted staff member Diane Arrington. Diane joined Bridge this year as she replaced Julie Christensen. Diane appreciates the support from the administration. Regular conversations are occurring between SPED and administration. Diane appreciates that administration is constantly concerned with the staff. Diane is happy to work with Sara and Lalani again, and she is getting to know Janey.

Lance mentioned that SPED can be extremely rewarding and difficult. The Board would like to thank Diane for all that she does for Bridge.

Linda and Marianne also expressed gratitude for all Diane brings to our students.

Janey appreciates that Diane makes sure to have great compassion for our parents. Diane and her team have helped to change our culture for our SPED staff.

- SPED update

Janey, Sara, Susan, and Diane have had conversations on how to move forward with the SPED department. SPED has been uniting the team, relationships with other teachers, counselors and unify behavior team with the academic team. There was a divide with the academic/behavior teams. Child Study has been organized; they now meet monthly. The child study team consists of SPED, mentor teacher, counselors, behavior specialist, reading specialist, and math specialist. The entire SPED team is now in the same location in the school. There are seven students that are in the SPED testing process. Three students have evaluated out of SPED this year. Two- Three more students are close to exiting the SPED program. Nine students no longer need behavior trackers due to improvements. One behavior team member has been promoted to take on the lead position, Jorge. Diane along with the three other certified SPED teachers are a wonderful team. Bridge has a large SPED population.

- Food Bank

Food Bank update by Sara Tucker. In the month of November, fifty families received assistance. One hundred families received assistance in December. Sara has enjoyed the opportunity to build relationships with the families. Sara mentioned that she loved to help with assisting the families. Sara expressed that this has been a “work of heart.” The Utah Food Bank items are only for Bridge families. Mr. Tucker has decided to create recipes for products that may not be typical meal items.

- Financial Summary- Ron Hubbard

Financial Summary. Currently we are about 50% through the school year. Overall financials look great. Funds are still processing, and accounts are proving to be under budget. The insurance budget looks to be lower for next year. Bottom line, the net income has increased.

Ron has left the meeting.

- SPED Policy Change

SPED has requested a change of policy. The change would involve the Specific Learning Disabilities Categories. Currently Bridge used the “alternate method.” The change would be the “combination method.” This would allow for added measures when looking at individual students. This is a more flexible approach. This allows for a full range of assessments.

“Proposed Change: Update the Special Education policy related to the identification of Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD) to replace the current Alternate Method language with the Combination Method, which incorporates both Severe Discrepancy and Response to Intervention (RTI) data.”

Marianne mentioned that she would recommend that there is data, data, data recorded.

Linda has left the meeting.

Lance brought up the question as to the formatting of the changes. There is “A” as well as “a” separation of requirements within the policy.

- School Calendar

Administration shared the proposed school calendar for 2026-2027. Administration considered that the staff enjoyed the longer breaks, allowing for family time. Sara asked if administration needed parents feedback- the board decided this was unnecessary.

Linda Nilsen made a motion to approve the SPED learning and disability method policy change and the 2026-2027 school calendar for the 2026-2027 school year. Lance Eastman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Trent Ady, Marianne Henderson, Lance Eastman, and Linda Nilson; aye.

At 6:23 Marianne Fredrickson made a motion to adjourn. Trent Ady seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Trent Ady, Marianne Henderson, Lance Eastman, Kari Fredrickson, Linda Nilson

Lance Eastman has mentioned that he is at the point of resignation. Janey and Marianne will communicate to decide on a plan to replace Lance.