

Approved

December 10, 2025

South Sanpete School Board Meeting
39 S Main St
Manti, UT 84642

Open Meeting Start Time	3:30 PM
Open Meeting End Time	4:50 PM
Closed Meeting Start Time	4:51 PM
Closed Meeting End Time	5:25 PM
Meeting Adjourned	5:26 PM

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM by Board President Connor Thompson.

Reverence: Connor Thompson

Patriotic Tribute: Connor Thompson led the Board and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Coleen Ogden, Connor Thompson, Mark Olson, David Warren, Loni Hammond

Others Present: Jake Hill, Ralph Squire, Trevor Powell, Leslie Taysom, Kyle Parry, Arlene Anderson, Lexi Ogden, Kolton Parry, Annica McQuivey, Durke Larsen, Brigdon Jensen, Jaydee Cox, Caitlyn Merrill, Rylie Henningson, Natalie Dowding, Sophie Walk

RECOGNITION & ACHIEVEMENT

Manti High Football Achievement—Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell congratulated the MHS football team on earning second place in the state championship.

Computer Science Grant—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented information on a Computer Science supplemental grant award for \$35,000, which is in addition to the previous award, to support enhanced Computer Science instruction and tools throughout the District.

CITIZEN DIALOGUE

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

Minutes—The Minutes of the November 12, 2025, Regular Board Meeting were presented for approval. After discussion, David Warren moved to approve the minutes as written. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Warrants—Warrants #00034614 - #00034783 for \$1,067,467.76 were presented for approval. After discussion, David Warren moved to approve the warrants as presented. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Budget Report—Jake Hill, the Business Administrator, presented the Monthly Budget Report, which included a Year-To-Date Summary of Total Expenditures and Revenues, the Zions Bank Sweep Account, and the Utah Public Treasurers' Investment Fund. Business Administrator Hill noted that the

property tax payment, which represents the majority of local revenue, is expected sometime in December. He also received the mid-year funding update from USBE, showing \$133,000 less than anticipated for this year. However, he expressed confidence that this difference should not affect the overall financial expectations for the year.

After discussion, Mark Olson moved to approve the budget report as presented. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Connor Thompson—Board President Thompson reminded Board Members of the upcoming USBA Conference scheduled for January 8–10, and there will be no Board Meeting that month.

David Warren—Board Member Warren requested ideas for feedback to UHSAA on how to better support students in balancing sports and life. One option discussed by UHSAA was adding additional moratorium time, though the details of how that would work are still uncertain. Board Members expressed support for providing students more time to help prevent burnout.

REPORTS

FY25 Audit Report—Kurt Gilbert, an independent auditor from Gilbert & Stewart, presented the FY25 audited financial statements. He noted that the District received an unmodified opinion, the highest rating possible for audited financial statements.

Audit Committee Report—Business Administrator Jake Hill provided a report on the Audit Committee meeting held on December 10, 2025.

Youth Court Report—Restorative Justice Intervention Specialist Kyle Parry, along with a group of participating Manti High School students, presented an overview of the Youth Court Program at their school.

Graduation Report—Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell presented the graduation report for the 2024–25 school year.

INFORMATION

Open Meeting Training—Superintendent Ralph Squire conducted training on Open Meetings to inform Board Members about Open Meeting Law.

Rural Schools Sports Facility Grant—Business Administrator Jake Hill announced that the District received awards of \$300,000 for GVHS and \$200,000 for MHS sports facility upgrades.

Capital Projects—Business Administrator Jake Hill updated the Board on current and future capital projects, including Parking Lots, Security, Restrooms, Auditoriums, Lighting/Power, Water, Sports Facilities, Storage, Cement, Flooring, Blinds/Shades/Windows, Playgrounds, Building Additions/Remodels, and Roofing.

ACTION ITEMS

150 Mile/Overnight Requests—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the following 150 Mile/Overnight Travel request:

School	Sport/Program	Date(s)	Destination	Reason	Travel
MHS	Choir	1/23-1/24/26	Herriman	Competition	Suburbans
MHS	Softball	3/5-3/7/26	St. George	Tournament	Suburbans
MHS	Girls Golf	4/21-4/22/26	Roosevelt/Vernal	2 Matches	Suburbans
MHS	Baseball	3/5-3/7/26	Kanab	Tournament	Bus
MHS	Baseball	3/19-3/21/26	St. George	Tournament	Suburbans

After discussion, David Warren moved to approve the 150 Mile/Overnight Requests as presented. Coleen Ogden seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

School Land Trust YIC Re-Allocation—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented a proposal to re-allocate the Trustlands funding from YIC to Gunnison Valley Middle.

After discussion, Mark Olson moved to approve the re-allocation of the Trustland funds from YIC to GVMS. Coleen Ogden seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Policies—

Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell presented the following policy update for approval:

- *IKF Elementary and Secondary Curriculum, Access, and Graduation Requirements*

After discussion, David Warren moved to approve Policy IKF as presented. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell presented the following policy update for approval:

- *IKH Human Sexuality Curriculum*

After discussion, Coleen Ogden moved to approve IKH as presented. David Warren seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell presented the following policy update for approval:

- *IK Driver Education*

After discussion, Loni Hammond moved to approve IK as presented. Coleen Ogden seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Business Administrator Jake Hill presented the following policy update for approval:

- *DCB Payroll*

After discussion, Mark Olson moved to approve Policy DCB as presented. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the following policy updates for approval:

- *IF Library Materials*

- *IFA Instructional Materials*

After discussion, Coleen Ogden moved to approve Policy IF and Policy IFA as presented. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Business Administrator Jake Hill presented the following policy on first reading:

- *DD Building Rental*

Motion for Closed Meeting—Mark Olson moved to adjourn into Closed Session at 4:50 PM to discuss items outlined in Utah Code, Section 52-4-5. The items were: the character and professional competence of several employees. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the following Board Members voted in favor: Connor Thompson, Coleen Ogden, Mark Olson, Loni Hammond, and David Warren. Motion passed.

The following items were discussed in Closed Session: the character and professional competence of employees. David Warren moved to adjourn from Closed Session at 5:25 PM. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the following Board Members voted aye: Connor Thompson, Coleen Ogden, David Warren, Loni Hammond, and Mark Olson. Motion passed.

Hire Recommendations—David Warren moved to approve the following individuals for employment.

1. New Teacher Recommendations

- a. None

2. Para-educator Recommendations

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| a. Ella Strong | TSSA | EMS |
| b. Heidi Froelich | SPED | GVES |

3. Transfer Recommendations

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| a. Tristan Barnes | Head Custodian | EMS |
| b. Wendy Olsen | Site Specialist | MHS |

4. Other Hire Recommendations

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| a. Sarah Sutherlin | Full Time Custodian | GVHS/GVMS |
| b. Mekesha Wanner | Instructional Assistant (PE) | MES |

5. Resignations/Retirement

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| a. Stacey Carlisle | Resignation | Site Specialist | MHS |
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Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Superintendent & Business Administrator Contracts—Mark Olson made a motion to approve the Superintendent and Business Administrator contracts. Coleen Ogden seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Adjourn

David Warren moved to adjourn the South Sanpete School Board Meeting. Loni Hammond seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 3:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 5:26 PM.

President

Business Administrator