

Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 18, 2026 6:30 PM
Mountain

Wayne High School - Room 119
265 N 400 W
Bicknell, UT 84715

Shawn Davis: Absent
Jim Lamb: Present
Liz Torgerson: Present
Charlene Van Dyke: Present
Curtis Whipple: Present

Present: 4, Absent: 1.

Attendance included Superintendent Randy Shelley, Business Administrator Seth Taft and Student Board Member Stetsyn Lamb.

I. 6:30 Administration

I.1. Pledge of Allegiance

Liz Torgerson led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

I.2. Reverence

Reverance was given by Randy Shelley.

I.3. Consent Agenda

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Charlene Van Dyke, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

I.3.a. Approval of Minutes

I.3.b. Accounts Payable

Accounts payable reports were reviewed by the board.

I.3.c. New Hires

New hires were reviewed.

I.3.d. Employee Separations

None noted.

II. 6:35 Financial Review

Construction updates were given by Superintendent Shelley. Brick masons have finished walls on the south end of the elementary school. Concrete is scheduled to be poured on the second level of the elementary. Framers are on schedule to frame out classrooms on the first floor. Construction is moving forward as planned.

II.1. Board Budget Summary

Business Administrator Seth Taft presented the SY26 budget figures as of February 18th.

School year 2026 is 58% complete. The district's year-to-date expenses total \$4,754,153. This

is 53% of our budgeted expenditures. We are on pace. The district's year-to-date revenues total \$10,341,498 or 94% of our projected revenues.

III. 6:45 Citizen Comments

None noted.

IV. 6:55 Information Items

None noted.

IV.1. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Shelley shared details about the American Exchange Project, which allows funding for foreign exchange students to visit our area. Permission has been granted for district vehicles to be utilized for transporting foreign exchange students to/from airports and to school-appropriate activities.

IV.2. Data Review

Superintendent Shelley reported on our elementary and high school report cards on the USBE website. See links below. You can also copy and paste the URL.

[Loa Elementary](#)

- <https://reportcard.schools.utah.gov/School/OverAllPerformance?SchoolID=1045&DistrictID=1042&SchoolNbr=112&SchoolLevel=K8&IsSplitSchool=0&schoolyearendyear=2025>

[High School](#)

- <https://reportcard.schools.utah.gov/School/OverAllPerformance?SchoolID=1047&DistrictID=1042&SchoolNbr=704&SchoolLevel=HS&IsSplitSchool=0&schoolyearendyear=2025>

IV.3. Board Reports

Liz — Shared a document entitled Board Statement on Student Athletics, Conduct, and Safety. Liz also shared details about her Board of Directors meeting on Feb 12th. She has been added to the MBC Committee. In addition, the March board meeting is to be moved to the 17th at 6:00pm at the high school.

Curtis — Discussed having April's board meeting on the 8th with a zoom option for board members who may need to join virtually. Curtis also reported on the Public Ed Celebration at the Rotunda. He expressed his appreciation and excitement about this younger generation coming up and feels they will accomplish great things in the future. Curtis is the current USBA President.

Jim — Jim expressed his experience up at the State Capital where he sat in on the Joint Legislative Committee meetings. He enjoyed his time spent on the hill this year.

Charlene — Charlene expressed her experience at the Joint Legislative Committee meetings as well up at the State Capital. She also asked about booking in advance for hotel rooms for future USBE conferences to obtain cheaper rates.

IV.4. Salary Committee Recommendations
Reviewed with the board.

V. 7:00 Business Items

V.1. School Behavior Plan Updates

A motion to approve each school's annual positive behavior plans. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Jim Lamb, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

A presentation was given by Nichol Stringham, Erica Taft and Bailey Torgerson discussing how they have implemented the positive behavior plans that were approved in February 2025. Various elements of the plan included health education, school-wide activities, classroom lessons, and other events.

V.2. Policies

V.2.a. First Reading

Approve 1st reading of FBB. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Charlene Van Dyke, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Approve 1st read FDB suicide prevention response with proposed amendments. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Jim Lamb, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Table EDA and Language Access Plan policies. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Jim Lamb, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Waive 1st and 2nd read and approve policy CEB. This motion, made by Jim Lamb and seconded by Curtis Whipple, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Table FGAC and Travel Supervision Policies. This motion, made by Liz Torgerson and seconded by Jim Lamb, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.2.b. Second Reading

Waive 2nd read and approve policies GB, FHB, DAI, FHA and FGAD. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Jim Lamb, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Approve 2nd read to policy DFE with the exhibit A. This motion, made by Liz Torgerson and seconded by Charlene Van Dyke, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.2.c. Third Reading

V.3. Spring Sports Schedules

Motion was made to approve spring sports schedules. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Charlene Van Dyke, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.4. School Calendar

Motion to approve Draft 2 with flexibility to work Fridays. This motion, made by Curtis Whipple and seconded by Liz Torgerson, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VI. **8:00** Closed Session as permitted by Utah Code Annotated Section 52-4-205(1)(a)

Motion to go into closed session at 8:36pm. By voice, all voting members approved. This motion, made by Jim Lamb and seconded by Curtis Whipple, Passed.

Shawn Davis: Absent, Jim Lamb: Yea, Liz Torgerson: Yea, Charlene Van Dyke: Yea, Curtis Whipple: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Returned to the open meeting at 9:05pm.

VII. **9:00** Adjournment

Seeing that all items on the agenda have been covered, the meeting is adjourned at 9:05pm.

Board Statement on Student Athletics, Conduct, and Safety

In response to concerns that have been raised regarding student athletics and student conduct, the Board of Education took proactive steps to ensure appropriate oversight and accountability. The Board engaged an independent educational investigator to review whether district practices aligned with applicable policy and state code, to identify areas where improvement may be needed, and to provide recommendations for consideration. The Board is following up on those recommendations as part of its ongoing governance and oversight responsibilities.

The Board takes issues related to student safety, bullying, and hazing very seriously. We strongly encourage students, staff, and parents to report concerns to teachers or administrators so they can be addressed promptly and appropriately. Our priority is to maintain a safe and supportive environment for all students.

Based on the information available to the Board, district administration has acted in accordance with board policy and state requirements in past matters. At the same time, the Board and administration recognize the importance of continuous improvement and remain committed to learning from experience and strengthening practices where appropriate.

As part of this ongoing work, district administration are currently developing an additional student supervision policy. This policy will be brought forward to the Board for review and consideration through the formal reading process. The intent of this policy is to provide greater clarity and consistency regarding supervision expectations during the school day and while traveling for school-sponsored activities.

The Board will continue to fulfill its governance role through oversight, policy development, and collaboration with district administration to support student safety, accountability, and trust within our community.