

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING – MARCH 26, 2026

The Board of Education of the Aspen Peaks School District met in a board meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 6:01 PM. The board meeting took place in the boardroom at the Alpine School District office in American Fork, UT.

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

Also present: Superintendent Perkins and Business Administrator Bea Twede. There were approximately 15 others in attendance.

President Diane Knight conducted the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Candace Jones.

REVERENCE

Reverence was given by Candace Jones.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Tamara Avalos and Matt Baugh, both teachers at Lehi Junior High - commented on the need to have World Language as required credits for graduation.

MINUTES

President Knight recommended the approval of the March 12, 2026, Study Session and Board Meeting minutes. Board member Brammer made the motion to approve the March 12, 2026, meeting minutes, and it was seconded by Board member Sparti. The Board voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. Districtwide boundary study process
 - Dr. Perkins addressed the previous discussion in the study session of a potential boundary study. He feels at this time it would be in the best interest of Aspen Peaks to hold on moving forward with a potential boundary study. Dr. Perkins also addressed the article published in the Lehi Free Press that misrepresented that action had already been taken on a boundary study.
 - Steve Sparti feels that we need to engage other parties prior to moving forward.
 - President Diane Knight feels Aspen Peaks needs to wait for a decision to be made by Alpine School District concerning Deerfield and Barratt elementaries so that multiple boundary studies won't be going on at the same time. She explained that while no action will be taken at this time, this does not mean that a boundary study will not happen. We just need to have more discussion with the other districts prior to making a decision.
 - Vice President Amber Bonner feels that the schools that are straddling over new district boundaries need to be addressed prior to Aspen Peaks starting a boundary study.
 - Nicki Brammer feels we need to gather more information prior to starting a potential boundary study.
2. Board Meeting dates through the end of 2026 - **President Knight recommended the approval of the updated list of Board Meeting dates for the remainder of 2026. Board member Hart made the motion to approve the updated list of Board Meeting dates for the remainder of 2026, and it was seconded by Board member Theler.**
 - Vice President Amber Bonner stated that Aspen Peaks wants to stick with the 2 board meetings per month. The board meetings will be on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month with the exception

- of July, November and December due to holidays. Board meetings can be cancelled if there is no need for a meeting.
- Jeanne-Marie Burrows commented that we will deviate from the usual schedule for the month of April due to Spring Break. The Board meeting dates for April will be on the 3rd and 5th Thursday, April 16th and 30th.
 - **The Board voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**
3. Budget amendments - Bea Twede, BA
- Capital Budget - \$10 million added as Capital Outlay Budget
 - i. Funded from ASD
 - ii. New districts have flexibility to use \$10 million allocation for their own specific needs
 - iii. Individual allocations provide for equity to be maintained as funds are expended
 - Operations Budget
 - i. The revised budget allows for refinement as expenditures are completed. The reduction in expenses were the result of:
 - 1. ASD is covering the base cost of the superintendent, executive assistant and business administrator salaries until June 30, 2026
 - 2. Communications salary cost is lower than anticipated due to hiring an hourly technician rather than a full-contracted employee.
 - 3. Several board members chose a stipend over health benefits.
 - ii. Estimated careover for FY27 budget = \$1,696,257
 - **Board President Knight recommended the approval of the proposed FY26 budget amendments. Board member Bonner made the motion to adopt the proposed FY26 budget amendments and it was seconded by Board member Burrows. The Board voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**
 - i. Board President Knight and Vice President Bonner both thanked Bea Twede for her help in revising the budget.
 - ii. Board member Brammer is grateful for the innovative way that ASD used to disperse the allotted funds to the 3 new districts.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Board member Bonner gave a shout out to all the schools that we have toured and how welcoming the administration and staff have been. It is amazing to see and hear about all the wonderful things that are happening in our schools.

Board member Brammer gave a report on the policy committee. As a general rule Aspen Peaks will be adopting ASD current policies and number system then make revisions and adaptations as needed. Policy issues will be approached as emails are received. In the next few weeks the policy committee will begin to introduce policies.

Board member Burrows commented on how fun it has been to be in the schools and loves how each school thinks their school is the BEST. She announced the Gratitude and Listening Tours that will start on Tuesday, March 31, 2026. These tours will allow the community to come and be a part of the creation of Aspen Peaks School District.

Board President Knight explained the reason for the Gratitude and Listening Tour. These tours will be held in the evening and be an open house format. The Board and district staff will be in attendance to speak with community members as they share their thoughts and acknowledge their gratitude to ASD and the great things that are happening in our district and to listen to their concerns. We will use the feedback from the community as we develop the VISION, MISSION and VALUES of Aspen Peaks School District.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Board member Theler and seconded by Board member Brammer, the meeting adjourned into a closed meeting to discuss personnel, property and litigation issues at 6:39 PM. The Board Members who voted in favor were President Diane Knight, Vice President Amber Bonner, Nicki Brammer, Jeanne-Marie Burrows, Jason Hart, Steven Sparti, and Jason Theler.

MINUTES OF THE CLOSED SESSION – MARCH 26, 2026

The Board of Education of the Aspen Peaks School District met in a closed session on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 6:52 PM. The meeting was held in a conference room at the Alpine School District office in American Fork, UT.

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

Also present: Superintendent Perkins, Business Administrator Bea Twede and there were approximately 0 others in attendance.

President Diane Knight conducted the meeting. Closed session ended at 7:37 PM.

The purpose of the closed session was to discuss personnel, property and litigation issues.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Board member Theler and seconded by Board member Bonner, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM. The Board members who voted in favor were President Diane Knight, Vice President Amber Bonner, Nicki Brammer, Jeanne-Marie Burrows, Jason Hart, Steve Sparti, and Jason Theler. The vote was unanimous.