

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 28, 2026

Board Meeting

The Murray City School Board met in a board meeting on May 28, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Kelly Taeoalii, Jaren Cooper, Elizabeth Payne, Kami Anderson, Jennifer Covington, Superintendent and Richard Reese, Business Administrator. Jill Weight, Board Member, was excused. The meeting was held at the District office, located at 5102 South Commerce Drive, Murray, UT.

Welcome

Board President Kelly Taeoalii welcomed those in attendance.

Patron Statements

No statements

Report of Staff

Approval of Construction Contractor for APEX Center – Scott Taggart, Support Services Director, informed the Board that a selection committee evaluated nine contractor proposals and recommended that R&O Contractors be approved as the contractor for the APEX Center at Murray High School. Jaren Cooper made a motion to approve the recommendation. Elizabeth Payne seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

Approval of Sex Ed Committee Annual Report – Bruce Eschler, Secondary Director, had presented the annual report in a previous Board meeting. He asked if there were any follow-up questions and requested that the Board approve the annual report. Kami Anderson made a motion to approve the report. Jaren Cooper seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

Board Study Items

The Board discussed the following policies and procedures:

PS 403.2 Student Residency and Enrollment/During Temporary Out-of-Country Travel – Scott Wihongi

PS 449.1 MCSD Focused Graduation Pathway (GED Hybrid) Requirements – Scott Wihongi

PS417.2 Cell Phones, Emerging Technology, and Smartwatches – Superintendent Covington

PS 430 Overnight Excursions – Superintendent Covington

HB 273: Classroom Technology Amendments – Superintendent Covington

Food Additives in Schools – Superintendent Covington

Facility Planning – Board President Taeoalii led a short discussion on the need to redefine boundaries, review maps and schedule cottage meetings with regard to the process of closing an elementary school. Scott Taggart indicated that there will likely need to be two new unfunded bus routes.

Murray City Block Party – Board President Taeoalii asked if the Board was interested in participating the City Block Party on Saturday, June 13, 2026.

STATEMENT AFFIRMING THE PURPOSE OF A CLOSED MEETING

I, Kelly Taeoalii, certify that I am the member of the Board of Education of the Murray City School District who presided at the closed meeting of the board held on May 15, 2026. I hereby affirm, pursuant to Utah Code § 52-4-206(6), that the sole purpose of holding this closed meeting was to discuss personnel issues.

I certify under criminal penalty of the State of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on June 11, 2026

Kelly Taeoalii
Kelly Taeoalii, Board President