

MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION – JULY 14, 2026

The Board of Education of the Alpine School District met in a study session on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 4:00 PM. The study session took place in the boardroom at the Alpine School District office.

Board members present: Vice President Stacy M. Bateman, Sarah L. Beeson, Dr. Mark Clement, and Ada S. Wilson. Remote: Vice President Emily B. Peterson. Late: Board President Julie King. Absent: Joylin Lincoln.

Also present: Superintendent Robert W. Smith, Business Administrator Craig Carter and members of the administrative staff. There were approximately 0 others in attendance.

Blind Mule Presentation

Glen Dyke of Blind Mule Educational Services presented the results of the Special Education Evaluation Report done by their team to the Board of Education. The report evaluated the alignment, implementation, and effectiveness of Special Education policies and practices within Alpine School District, identifying strengths, opportunities for improvement, and actionable recommendations to enhance student safety, access to services, and educational outcomes.

Mr. Dyke fielded questions from the Board of Education.

Science Curriculum Presentation

Sam Rencher, Administrator of K-6 schools, along with his elementary science team: Danielle Kennedy, Lorilee Johnson, and Dr. Jenny Sumsion presented the newly developed elementary science curriculum to the Board of Education. The presentation outlined the rationale for developing the curriculum, the process of preparing educators for implementation, and the anticipated impact on student learning and classroom instruction. The elementary science team fielded questions from the Board of Education.

Superintendent Smith expressed appreciation to the elementary science team for their exceptional work and dedication in developing the new curriculum and recognized each team member with a Superintendent Coin.

The meeting adjourned at 5:14 PM.