

Approved

June 22, 2026

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

Open Meeting Start Time	3:30 PM
Open Meeting End Time	4:48 PM
Closed Meeting Start Time	4:50 PM
Closed Meeting End Time	6:17 PM
Meeting Adjourned	6:19 PM

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

Reverence: Connor Thompson

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

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

Others Present: Ralph Squire, Trevor Powell, Jake Hill, Leslie Taysom, Tim Miller, Fawn Miller

RECOGNITION & ACHIEVEMENT

Coach of the Year—Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell recognized Brandon Norris, the Manti High School Track & Field Coach, as the 3A Boys Track & Field Coach of the Year. Board Members expressed appreciation for Coach Norris for his hard work and dedication to the MHS students and athletes.

CITIZEN DIALOGUE

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

Minutes—The Minutes of the May 13, 2026, Regular Board Meeting were presented for approval. After the discussion, David Warren moved to approve the minutes as written. Coleen Ogden seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Warrants—Warrants #00035588 - #00035762 for \$1,620,902.08 were presented for approval. After the 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—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented the Monthly Budget Report, including a year-to-date summary of total revenues and expenditures. He reported that all funds are currently projected to end the year in a positive position, with the exception of Capital Funds, which is expected due to board-approved additions and building improvements. Hill also noted that the district is anticipated to finish the year in a financial position similar to last year.

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

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

None

REPORTS

Transportation Mileage Report—Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell presented the district's transportation mileage reports for all vehicles. Overall bus mileage was down by approximately 4,000 miles, and white fleet mileage was also slightly lower compared to the previous year.

Elementary Reading Report—Assistant Superintendent Trevor Powell presented the Elementary Reading Report for the 2025–26 school year. He noted the state's goal of ensuring that 80% of students score at levels 3 or 4. Currently, the district is at 74% of students performing at grade level (levels 3 and 4 on the assessment scale).

Child Nutrition Annual Report—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the Child Nutrition Annual Report for the 2025-26 school year.

Parent Guidance Report—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the Parent Guidance usage report for the 2025-26 school year, including the engagement data, parent coaching registrations, and children represented.

School AI Report—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the SchoolAI usage report, noting that district usage has increased by 20%.

Sora Online Library Usage—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented the Sora online library usage report, noting the high level of student usage across South Sanpete School District.

Audit Committee Report—Business Administrator Jake Hill reported on the quarterly Audit Committee meeting. He reviewed the Annual Financial Report, discussed the potential need for a Truth in Taxation process in future years, and provided an update on the district's transition to SchoolCash as the new school payment system.

INFORMATION

Construction Project Updates—Business Administrator Jake Hill provided updates on several capital projects, including the elementary school classroom additions, Manti High School restroom renovations, the Manti High School press box, the old gym remodels at Gunnison Valley High School and Manti High School, parking lot maintenance, the Gunnison bus compound, the Manti High School sign, and school irrigation plans.

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
GVHS	FFA	10/20-10/24/26	Indianapolis	National	Air/Suburbans

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

Policy JGA School Fees—Superintendent Ralph Squire presented Policy JGA with noted revisions.

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

Policy KD Public Records—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented Policy KD with noted revisions.

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

TSSA Student Success Framework—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented the TSSA Student Success Framework, which provides guidance for principals in developing their plans and budgets.

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

Annual Financial Report and Tax Rates—Business Administrator Jake Hill presented the annual financial report along with the Final FY26 Budget, the Proposed FY27 Budget, and the certified tax rate for FY27. This information will also be posted on the district website for public review.

After discussion, Loni Hammond moved to approve the Final FY26 Budget, the Proposed FY27 Budget, and the FY27 Certified Tax Rate. David Warren seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Motion for Closed Meeting—Mark Olson moved to adjourn into Closed Session at 4:48 PM to discuss items outlined in Utah Code, Section 52-4-5. The items were: the character and professional competence of several employees. David Warren 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. Mark Olson moved to adjourn from Closed Session at 6:17 PM. David Warren 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—Coleen Ogden moved to approve the following individuals for employment.

1. **New Teacher Recommendations**
 - a. None

2. Para-educator Recommendations

- a. None

3. Transfer Recommendations

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| a. Amy Greene | Cafeteria Manager | EMS |
| b. Kami Morales | District Receptionist | D.O. |

4. Other Hire Recommendations

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| a. Kasey Giddings | Assistant Football Coach | MHS |
| b. Tevita Vakautakakala | Assistant Football Coach | MHS |
| c. Braxton Vakautakakala | Assistant Football Coach | MHS |
| d. William Adams | Esports Head Coach | MHS |
| e. Colette Cox | Financial Secretary | MES |
| f. Erika Jolley | Part-Time Custodian | MES |
| g. Dax Keller | Student Custodian | MHS |

5. Resignations/Retirement

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| a. Nora Peterson | 2 nd Grade Teacher | Retirement | MES |
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David Warren seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Superintendent & Business Administrator Contracts—Loni Hammond moved to approve the Superintendent and Business Administrator employment contracts. Mark Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Adjourn

Mark Olson 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 August 12, 2026, at 3:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM.

President

Business Administrator