

Board of Education Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, August 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM
Located at Boardroom, 285 East 400 South, Kamas, Utah 84036

Board Members Present were:

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM.

Dan Eckert: Present

Ty Metcalf: Present

Matt Weller: Present

Lynda Whitmore: Present

Wade Woolstenhulme: Absent

Board Member Woolstenhulme excused.

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

A. President Weller welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

B. Guests:

1. Superintendent Maughan
2. Business Administrator Robinson
3. Board Assistant McMillan
4. Stephanie Clegg
5. Sandi Lott
6. Kim Woodard
7. Cory Lott
8. MeriKae Parker
9. Sara Charboneau
10. Lorraine Jones
11. Aaron Tillett
12. Cari Tillett
13. Michael Ruf
14. Jeremiah Fierro
15. Brittanie Martindale
16. Janet Mitchell
17. Marci Mitchell
18. Krista Mitchell
19. Stephen Sutherland
20. Shelley Halverson
21. Leland Robinson
22. Cristal Taylor
23. Jodi Jones
24. Destry Howard
25. Kymm Hansen
26. Shaleez Lott
27. Bonnie Jo Walsh
28. Lisa Flinders

C. Vision and Mission Statements: Board Member Eckert reviewed the Vision and Mission Statements.

Vision Statement:

South Summit School District — valuing individuals and **preparing** them for **success**.

Mission Statement:

We **support, empower,** and **inspire** individuals to **promote** and **achieve** academic and character **excellence**.

Board Member Eckert reviewed the Vision and Mission Statements

D. Pledge of Allegiance: Vice President Whitmore led the Pledge of Allegiance

II. PUBLIC INPUT

- A. Jerry Parker: Presented a follow-up to the letter he received from the board regarding his public comment in June 2026. He handed attachments to the board and the board assistant and asked that they are added to the agenda.
- B. Aaron Tillett: Commented that he has taught for 31 years and 24 of those years at South Summit. He thanked the board, the district, his family, and colleagues for the support over the years. He commented on discontent over the way the district has changed over the years. The district leadership is cold and aloof and lacks communication. Teachers in the district are scared to speak up because they are afraid of retribution.

III. DISTRICT UPDATES

A. Director Reports

1. Athletic Department Title IX Report

- a. Jeremiah Fierro: Title IX Report — The report doesn't account for students who participate in multiple sports. They had an All-Sports parent meeting with over 200 parents attending. So, parents only had to attend one meeting per year. All sports are now competing in 2A. See attachment for Mr. Fierro's detailed presentation. South Summit High School is partnering with "Just for Athletes". Their motto is "Eyes Up Do the Work". The school emphasizes academics first and sports second.

2. Data Reporting

- a. In June 2026, the Board asked Shelley Halverson to bring a graph that shows student growth and achievement overtime. Shelley Halverson, Director of Teaching and Learning presented Student Data over time. All details of the report can be found in the attached document. Acadience, RISE, Aspire Plus, ACT, and WIDA scores were all presented.

B. Superintendent Update

- 1. Office of Legislative Auditors (OLAG) Discussion: OLAG Auditors let the Superintendent know that they will be ready in the next couple of weeks with their report. They may be ready to present to the board at the September Board Meeting. The superintendent asked OLAG to partner with the district for guidance.
- 2. SB 241 Requirements: Reading Intervention Bill. 80% of students should be reading at grade level at the end of 3rd grade by the year 2030. The district needs to implement some components of this bill now. Using reading curriculum and intervention curriculum, teachers and paras have to align with the Science of Reading. It is necessary to give the Acadience test three times a year and notify parents about how their students performed. Any students in yellow or red (below or well below) must have an individual reading plan (IRP). The IRP is set up in PowerSchool. Students stay on the IRP until they don't need it anymore. The last part of the bill applies to the kids that are coming into Kindergarten. In July 2030, kids that are red and yellow at the end of 3rd grade will be retained.
- 3. Staffing: All full-time and licensed positions are filled. There are several para positions that are still open.

C. Business Administrator Update

1. Mike Ruf, Director of South Summit Aquatic and Fitness Center. Asked the board to consider a name change from South Summit Aquatic and Fitness Center to South Summit Recreation. South Summit Recreation offers much more to the community than aquatics and fitness. The proposal has two components. South Summit Recreation will be the parent identity for the entire Recreation Department. The current facility will be renamed to the Summit Recreation Center and serve as the flagship facility. The new name better represents everything the facility has to offer. Under the proposed new name, South Summit Recreation could be able to obtain grants easier. This item did not require a board vote. The board gave their support to Mr. Ruf so he could go forward with the plan.
2. Summer Project Update: See attached images for details.
3. Update on Jordan Property: District Representatives met with Summit County to see what it would take for them to purchase the Jordan Property at Market Value for open space. Business Administrator Robinson has ordered an appraisal on the property. Board Member Metcalf asked if the board could stipulate that the property be permanently designated as open space.

IV. PROCEDURAL UPDATE

- A. Procedure 4012-D: Focused Graduation Pathway: The State Board of Education has created an option for high school students that are significantly behind on core credits to earn credit by passing GED exams. This is a new procedure to explain the Focused Graduation Pathway.
- B. Procedure 4072-A: Utah's Statewide Online Education Program. This procedure was updated based on legislative mandates.
- C. Procedure 5042-A: Background Check. This procedure was updated based on legislative mandates.
- D. Procedure 6001-A: Student Enrollment and Admissions. This procedure was updated based on model policy and updated state code.
- E. Procedure 6001-C: Student Toilet Training. This procedure was updated because of the past legislative session.
 1. If the student doesn't meet the exception qualifications of being toilet trained, then the student can't be enrolled in school, but the student still needs to be provided with educational opportunities. The elementary has the online option which will be used for these students.
- F. Updated procedure 6024-B: Health Requirements and Services. This procedure was updated to require electronic reporting.
- G. Procedure 6029-G: Emergency Safety Intervention. Procedure 6029-G was updated based on Legislative updates and new definitions.
- H. Procedure 6051-A: Personal Electronic Devices/Cell Phones was updated to shift the ban of cell phones in schools to bell-to-bell according to recent legislative mandates.
 1. Board Member Metcalf commented that it is good that the policy and procedure include exceptions for students that use their devices for medical needs.
- I. Procedure 6061-A: Participation in Activities. This procedure was rewritten to match updated legislation and model policy.
- J. Procedure 6065-A: Student Bullying, Cyber-Bullying, Hazing, and Abusive Conduct. This procedure was updated based on recent legislative and model policy changes as well as adding references to the use of AI.

K. Procedure 6070-A: Mental Health Care. Updated to Mental Health Care to add the definition for Mental Health Service.

V. RECESS

The board took a 5-minute recess at 7:33 PM. The board returned at 7:41 PM.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Agenda

1. Board Member Whitmore commented that Amanda Keddington is on the Consent Agenda twice. Clarification: She is not the SpEd ESP at the middle school. She is the PE Specialist at the elementary only.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda to include the Meeting Minutes; the Financial and Payment Reports; the New Hires to include the SSAFC New Hires, the New Teachers, the Substitute Teachers, the Education Support Professionals, and other hires; the reassignments; the Volunteers with approved background checks; the Out of State Travel Requests; the Homeschool Affidavits; the Policies for 2nd Reading; and the miscellaneous items.

Made by Dan Eckert
Seconded by Lynda Whitmore
Carried

Dan Eckert:	Yea
Ty Metcalf:	Yea
Matt Weller:	Yea
Lynda Whitmore:	Yea
Wade Woolstenhulme:	Absent

2. June 8, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
3. June 22, 2026, Budget Hearing Minutes

4. Financial and Payment Reports
 - a. June 2026 Revenue Reports
 - b. June 2026 Expense Report
 - c. June 2026 Vendor Summary Report
 - d. July 2026 Revenue Report
 - e. July 2026 Expense Report
 - f. July 2026 Vendor Summary Report

5. New Hires

- a. SSAFC
 - Ryan Rowser
 - Samuel Miner
- b. Teachers
 - Keyan Staples - SSHS Science Teacher
 - Holly Groves - SSES PT Literacy Teacher
 - Matthew Tollison - SSHS Social Studies Teacher
 - Jay Williams - SSHS SpEd Teacher
 - Federico Garcia - SSHS SpEd Teacher
- c. Educational Support Professionals
 - Christi Snyder - SSES Behavior ESP

Abigail Frick - SSES ESP
Katherine Rubush - SSES ESP

d. Other Hires

Amanda Keddington - SSES PE Specialist
Hailey Hadean - SSSD Social Worker
Keyton Gines - SSHS Work Base Learning Coordinator
Jaime Smith - SSHS Wildcat Academy Facilitator
Brent Gines - Sub Bus Driver
Kip Peterson - Sub Bus Driver
Micah Zibel - SSES PT SLT

Note: Amanda Keddington was removed from the Consent Calendar under the SpEd ESP at the middle school.

6. Substitutes

Kristy Brown
Bradley Stewart
Lindsay Castillo

7. Reassignments

8. Volunteers with approved background checks

9. Out of State Travel Requests

a. Travel Request 8513671 - Orlando, FL

10. Homeschool Affidavits

11. Miscellaneous

12. SSHS Fall 2026 Coaches List

B. South Summit Elementary School 2026-2027 TSSA Amendment

1. Senate Bill 241 requires that half of the Elementary School's TSSA funds be allocated to support reading. Because of this, it was necessary for South Summit Elementary School to modify their TSSA Plan for the 2026-2027 school year. It was not necessary to modify Silver Summit Elementary's TSSA Plan as their plan allocated half of their TSSA funds to reading in the original plan.

Motion to approve the amendments to the South Summit Elementary School's TSSA plan for the 26-27 school year.

Made by Ty Metcalf

Seconded by Dan Eckert

Carried

Dan Eckert:	Yea
Ty Metcalf:	Yea
Matt Weller:	Yea
Lynda Whitmore:	Yea
Wade Woolstenhulme:	Absent

C. FY26 Risk Assessment

1. Business Administrator Robinson explained that this is the annual requirement to conduct a self-administered fraud risk assessment. There were no changes from the previous year.

Motion to approve the FY26 Fraud Risk Assessment

Made by Dan Eckert

Seconded by Ty Metcalf
Carried

Dan Eckert:	Yea
Ty Metcalf:	Yea
Matt Weller:	Yea
Lynda Whitmore:	Yea
Wade Woolstenhulme:	Absent

D. Policy 6051: Personal Electronic Devices/Cell Phones

1. There were minor grammatical edits made to the Policy because of updating the subsequent procedure. This is a new cell phone policy patterned after the state code. This new policy protects instructional time. It also refers to adults using cell phones in the building. It was noted that the policy with the hyperlink in the description is the correct version that shows all the updates made to the policy. The attached pdf does not show all the changes.

Motion to approve Policy 6051 Personal Electronic Devices/Cell Phones for 1st Reading.

Made by Dan Eckert

Seconded by Lynda Whitmore

Carried

Dan Eckert:	Yea
Ty Metcalf:	Yea
Matt Weller:	Yea
Lynda Whitmore:	Yea
Wade Woolstenhulme:	Absent

E. Policy 6061 Participation in Activities

1. The revision of Policy 6061 is a title change from Participation in Extracurricular Activities to Participation in Activities because there are more activities going on in a school than just a UHSAA sanctioned activity.

Motion to approve Policy 6061 Participation in Activities for 1st Reading

Made by Dan Eckert

Seconded by Ty Metcalf

Carried

Dan Eckert:	Yea
Ty Metcalf:	Yea
Matt Weller:	Yea
Lynda Whitmore:	Yea
Wade Woolstenhulme:	Absent

F. Policy 6065: Bullying, Cyber-Bullying, Hazing and Abusive Conduct

1. Policy 6065 had some minor edits to add retaliation and abusive conduct to the policy as well as updating the Utah Code. It was noted

that the policy with the hyperlink is the correct version of the policy the attached pdf does not show all the correct changes.

Motion to approve Policy 6065 Bullying, Cyber-Bullying, Hazing and Abusive Conduct for 1st Reading.

Made by Ty Metcalf

Seconded by Dan Eckert

Carried

Dan Eckert:	Yea
Ty Metcalf:	Yea
Matt Weller:	Yea
Lynda Whitmore:	Yea
Wade Woolstenhulme:	Absent

VII. **BOARD ITEMS**

A. Board Items

1. NSBA: The board instructed the Board Assistant McMillan to register the entire board for NSBA and book hotels.
2. Dan: Ribbon cutting and tour of MTECH is 8/28 at 10:30 am. The SS on the hill needs to be spruced up. He will ask for some help to get it done. He's received a lot of feedback on the parades and the board's lack of participation (Kamas City Council, Fiesta Days Committee, Senior Citizens, etc.), get out to some games.
3. Ty: Is the SRO in a marked or unmarked car? It would be advantageous if it was marked. It was clarified that the SRO does have a marked car at the schools.
4. Lynda: Asked to change her number on the district website to her cell phone. Board President Weller commented that all the board members have an extension on the website. All board members should receive an email when someone leaves a voicemail for the board members. Have we received the activity passes? Superintendent Maughan replied that we have not received them yet, but they have been ordered.
5. Matt: Received a call from the class of 1966 asking the board to consider waiving or lowering the insurance liability requirements for class reunions. The board discussed this with input from Business Administrator Robinson stating that he would look research it and come up with something.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

8:04 PM adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 PM.

Made by Ty Metcalf



Board President, Matt Weller



Business Administrator, Adam Robinson