



APPROVED MINUTES

September 2026 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education was held on **September 8, 2026** at the Piute County Courthouse in Junction, Utah. Teresa Morgan called the meeting to order at **3:32 P.M.** Present was Teresa Morgan, Rick Dalton, and Jeremy Pearson, Erin Jensen and Neccia Dalton. Also present was Superintendent Jason Strate and Business Administrator Dallas Sylvester. Guests at the meeting were: Wade Fautin, Shauna Bagley, Eric Jessen, Russ Lee, Janette Lee, Shannon Gleave, and Aleia Nay.

Work Meeting: The board met before the normal meeting to have a school finance training led by business administrator Dallas Sylvester.

Opening Remarks:

- President Teresa Morgan welcomed everyone to the meeting. After the pledge of allegiance was recited, opening remarks were given by Neccia Dalton.

Program Reports:

- **Transportation Services**
 - Transportation Director Wade Fautin gave the board a report on transportation services in the district.
 - The new white Chevy Equinox has been purchased.
 - The 2021 Suburban has just over 60,000 miles. Wade mentioned he would like to surplus it and use the funds towards a new Suburban.
 - Wade mentioned that he would like to get some newer, more reliable vehicles and surplus some of the existing vehicles.
 - Buses are on a rotation where they are purchased every other year. We currently have 11 buses.
- **Counseling Services**
 - Eric Jessen gave the board a report and update on counseling services in the school district.
 - Eric mentioned that student mental health in the district has improved over the last few years.
 - Eric showed the board an attendance report for students in the district.
 - Eric mentioned that it is more difficult to hold students accountable with eligibility once the winter sports end in the spring.
 - The school board and Mr. Jessen discussed different attendance incentive options for students.

Public Comments

- President Teresa Morgan turned the time over to the public for public comment.
- No public comments were made.

Business Items:

- **Elementary Schools Construction Update**

- Superintendent Strate gave the board an update on the elementary school construction.

- **CES**

- Circleville elementary school playground is nearing completion.
 - Bushes and plants are going in at Circleville.
 - Cement will be poured for the basketball court and batting cage this week.
 - BHI is working on punchlist items at Circleville.
 - The ballfields in Circleville are being constructed.

- **OES**

- The crews will start working on the retaining wall at Oscarson.
 - The drain system has been installed.
 - The playground equipment has been delivered and will be installed once crews are done working in the back area of the school.

- **Softball Field Construction Update**

- The block is being laid for the restrooms.
- Fencing has been completed and a red-dirt warning track will be installed on the inside of the left and right field fences.
- The ramp and all other cement around the restrooms has been poured.
- Bedrock Concrete will begin working on the batting cage cement.

- **Vehicle sale and purchase**

- The board discussed the possibility of purchasing a new Suburban to be used for student transportation. The board also discussed selling the 2021 Suburban and using the proceeds to put towards a new one as per the recommendation of transportation director Wade Fautin.
- Erin Jensen made a motion to approve the school district purchasing a new Suburban and selling the 2021 Suburban on Public Surplus to help cover the cost of the new one. The motion approved an amount up to \$75,000 for the purchase of a new Suburban. Rick Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **District Logo**

- Aleia Nay presented the board with the new district logo that she has been working on designing.
- She gave the board a presentation that showed the research, design process, and the final version of the logo.
- Neccia Dalton made a motion to approve the new district logo as presented by Aleia Nay. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **Fraud Risk Assessment Form 2027**
 - Dallas Sylvester presented the Fraud Risk Assessment form for 2027.
 - The score from the assessment was 355/395, which is considered low risk.
 - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve the fraud risk assessment form for FY27. Jeremy Pearson seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **2026-2027 Substitute List**
 - Superintendent Strate presented the 2026-2027 substitute list for 2026-2027.
 - Neccia Dalton made a motion to approve the substitute list. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **Title I Plan 2026-2027**
 - Superintendent Strate presented the Title I plan for 2026-2027.
 - Erin Jensen made a motion to approve the Title I plan for 2026-2027. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **TSSA Framework 2026-2027**
 - Superintendent Strate presented the TSSA Framework for 2026-2027 to the board.
 - Jeremy Pearson made a motion to approve the TSSA Framework for 2026-2027. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **School Land Trust Final Reports 2025-2026**
 - The board reviewed the final Trustlands reports for each school in the district, OES, CES, PHS, and UPA.
 - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve the final trustlands reports for all schools in the district for 2025-2026. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **Curriculum Adoption**
 - Superintendent Strate presented the board with the curriculum listing for 2026-2027.
 - Neccia Dalton made a motion to approve the curriculum list for 2026-2027. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **District Committees Membership**
 - The board reviewed the district committee members.
 - Neccia Dalton mentioned that she would like to move from the finance committee to the district literacy committee.
 - Rick Dalton made a motion to approve the district committee's membership. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **Approval of Minutes and Vouchers**
 - Jeremy Pearson made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes, the August payroll reports, the July and August revenues received, and district accounts payable vouchers 27000056-27000133. Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **CUES Legislative Meeting - September 30, 2026 - Circleville Elementary**
 - The CUES legislative meeting will be held on September 30, 2026 at Circleville Elementary School.

- **USSA Leadership Conference - November 2-3**
 - USSA leadership conference will be held November 2-3 at the Utah Valley Convention Center.
- **USBA Regional Meetings**
 - The USBA regional meeting will be held on October 1st in Richfield at 6:00 p.m.
- **Out of State - FBLA National Fall Leadership Conference - Washington D.C.**
 - Shauna Bagley requested approval from the board to take students to the FBLA fall leadership conference in Washington D.C. November 5-7th.
 - Piute High School FBLA student leadership would attend.
 - Two leaders/chaperones would attend. Shauna Bagley and Priscilla Morgan.
 - Erin Jensen made a motion to approve out-of-state travel to Washington D.C and cover the costs of the two chaperones attending. Neccia Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- **New Hires, Assignments, and Reassignments**

New Hires

- Bucky Bird - Substitute
 - Haylee Soffel - Substitute
 - Jill Wright - Substitute
 - Marci Pollock - Substitute
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- Neccia Dalton made a motion to approve the new hires as presented. Jeremy Pearson seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Other Information Items: None

Executive Session : At 5:01 P.M. Jeremy Pearson made a motion to move into executive session for the discussion of Personnel, Collective Bargaining, Litigation, or Other (*Utah Code 52-4-205*). Erin Jensen seconded the motion. Each individual board member was in favor of moving into executive session. Erin Jensen voted aye, Teresa Morgan voted aye, Rick Dalton voted aye, Neccia Dalton voted aye, and Jeremy Pearson voted aye.

- The school board entered the executive meeting at **5:01 P.M.**
- The school board left the executive meeting at **5:20 P.M.**

Adjournment

- At **5:20 P.M.** Erin Jensen made a motion to adjourn the **September 8, 2026** meeting of the school board. Jeremy Pearson seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.