MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 8, 2026

The Board of Education of the Aspen Peaks School District met in a board meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2026, at 6:02PM. The board meeting took place in the boardroom at the Alpine School District office in American Fork, UT.

Board members present: Vice President Amber Bonner, Nicki Brammer, Jeanne-Marie Burrows, Jason Hart, Steve Sparti, and Jason Theler. Board President Diane Knight was absent.

Also present: Superintendent Perkins and Business Administrator Bea Twede. There were approximately 18 others in attendance.

Vice President Amber Bonner conducted the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eric Woodhouse.

REVERENCE

Reverence was given by Kari Shirk.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS - no comments

ROUTINE BUSINESS(CONSENT AGENDA)

1. Approval of Minutes from former meetings, Expenditure Detail Report/Claims and Enrollment Report

Vice President Bonner asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Board member Theler made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, and it was seconded by Board member Sparti. The Board voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution 2026-010 Vehicle as Excess for Disposition

Vice President Bonner asked for a motion concerning Resolution 2026-010 Vehicle(mail van) as Excess for Disposition. Board member Sparti made the motion to approve Resolution 2026-010 Vehicle as Excess for Disposition and it was seconded by Board member Hart. The Board voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Alpine School District Employee Policies (4000 Series-Personnel Policies) Doug Larson and Cami Harper
    a. State statute requires that the new district, Aspen Peaks School District adopts the personnel policies of the existing district, Alpine School District. The plan is to adopt the 4000 Series in total in order to comply with state statute and a means to maintain stability and create continuity for our employees.
        i. Questions
            1. Board member Theler - Our understanding is that the only thing that has changed is the name Alpine School District to Aspen Peaks School District? - YES, those policies need to be the same policies that are in place on July 1, 2027. If changes need to be made after July 1, 2027, we will work with the employee association to make those changes.
            2. Board member Brammer - Will these policies be approved now and will then be in place until July 1, 2028, the first full year of Aspen Peaks School District? - NO, state code only states that these policies must be the same on the date that educational services commence. There could be some additional changes prior to 2028, but these policies must be in place when Aspen Peaks School District commences on July 1, 2027.

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3. Board member Sparti - Did we already approve a couple of the 4000 Series policies? - YES, rather than pull out these policies from the series, we have made a header on Policies 4253, 4415 and 4752 and stated that these 3 policies were approved on May 14, 2026.
4. Superintendent Perkins stated that this was brought forth as a discussion item this week and will be an action item at our next board meeting for consideration of adopting.

2. Boundary Study Summary - Dr. David Ludwig stated that he and his committee have been working on this boundary study for the last four months.
    a. Boundary Study Update
        i. Committee Work
            1. Open an Internal Boundary Study
            2. Form a Boundary Committee
            3. Establish a Portrait of a School
            4. Review Historical Boundary Studies
            5. Review Building Capacities
            6. Review Projected Student Populations
            7. Gather Community Feedback
            8. Review Community Feedback
            9. Review Student Counts
            10. Identify Specific Areas for Further Study
        ii. Survey Participation - Boundary Feedback Tool
            1. The survey was open to the public for six weeks
            2. We received 627 responses (300+ pages)
            3. Respondents identified:
                a. School(s) attended or expected to attend
                b. Grade levels
                c. General area of residence
                d. Boundary topics of interest
                e. Number of students potentially affected
                f. Respondents could also provide contact information for follow-up
            4. We received a wide range of boundary-related feedback
                a. Current elementary boundaries 350 (56%)
                b. Current middle school boundaries 216 (34%)
                c. Overcrowding / under-enrollment 209 (33%)
                d. Future growth / new development 208 (33%)
                e. Current high school boundaries 169 (27%)
                f. Transportation / busing 160 (25%)
                g. Respondents could select more than one topic, so percentages do not total 100%.
        iii. Next Steps
            1. Capital Planning Meeting
            2. November 12, 2026 we will have our official student counts.
            3. Identify themes, questions, and potential areas for further consideration:
                a. School - Which schools were referenced?
                b. Grade level - Which grade levels and student groups were represented?
                c. Geographic area - Where are respondents and affected students located?
                d. Topic - What boundary or enrollment issue was identified?
                e. Common themes - What concerns or suggestions appeared repeatedly?
            4. Superintendent Perkins clarified that we always talk about October 1 being the date that student counts are official. Now that we have those numbers we will work with the State, finalize and start to build the enrollment document. At our

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board meeting on November 12, 2026 we will have our projections solidified and we can discuss and overlay the feedback we have received.

5. Questions
    a. Board member Theler - Will the results be published so that our public can see the overall themes we received from the boundary feedback tool? - YES, we will share the results with the Capital Planning Committee first and get further direction for them.
    b. Vice President Bonner - Can these results be sent to the board members?

BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent Perkins gave a shout out to all of our schools and board members, as of today we have completed our school tours of every school and building in Aspen Peaks.

Board member Burrows reported that she and other board members got to crawl and climb under the tunnels at Lehi Elementary School during the school tour.

Board member Sparti appreciates that a younger audience is here to come and listen to the board meeting.

Board member Theler reported that he went to the Farm Field Days at the equestrian park in American Fork sponsored by FFA and CTE. He loved seeing the second graders learning how food actually shows up in their home. He enjoyed watching the high schoolers interact and explain to our second graders how this process works.

Board member Hart reported about the community night we hosted at Willowcreek Middle School where community members could come and express their concerns about boundary issues. He felt it was a positive experience and appreciates the community members who attended.

Board Vice President Bonner stated that Alpine has a foundation that collects donations and runs some great programs for the district. She stated that Aspen Peaks is in the process of starting a foundation and she is excited about being able to start collecting donations and choosing projects to help support in our district.

Board member Brammer attended the county cross county event at Art Dye Park yesterday for all the middle schools. She stated about how amazing the experience was to see when a participant fell at the very beginning of the 9th grade race everyone stopped, helped the fallen participant to their feet and then started the race again. She loved how everyone was cheering for all the participants.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Board member Hart and seconded by Board member Burrows, the meeting adjourned at 6:25PM. The Board members who voted in favor were Vice President Amber Bonner, Nicki Brammer, Jeanne-Marie Burrows, Jason Hart, Steve Sparti, and Jason Theler. The vote was unanimous.

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