

## **Board of Education Meeting (Tuesday, March 10, 2015)**

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### **Members present**

Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bryan

**Meeting called to order at 6:37 pm**

## **1. Executive Session, 6:00 p.m. (Closed to the Public)**

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### 1.1 Personnel / Negotiations / Property / Litigation

The Board of Education met to discuss personnel and legal issues.

## **2. Business Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (Start of Public Meeting) New Category**

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### 2.1 Welcome and Roll Call

President Manzione conducted roll call and welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting. She excused Member Holt and explained Member Bryan will be arriving late.

### 2.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The Tooele High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance and a patriotic tribute was read by Randy Sneed.

## **3. Recognition / Good News**

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### 3.1 District Recognition for the Month of March - Tooele High School

The following were recognized from Tooele High School by Principal Gochis:

Brent Colledge, Night Shift Custodian, District Staff Member of the Month

Helen Gosling, District Volunteer of the Month

Jose Escamilla, 10th Grade, District Student of the Month

## **4. Open Forum**

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### 4.1 Patron Comments

1. Brittany Eldredge, parent: Asked the Board to consider grandfathering the students that are enrolled for the 2014-2015 school year at Clarke Johnsen Junior High School (about 40 students) to allow them to attend Stansbury High School. The students are concerned having to leave their friends and team members that they have already established and go to another school to re-establish all over again. (Petition attached)

2. Randy Quarez, Coach at Stansbury High School: Provided feedback on the policy for student travel. Coaches are willing to sit down with Administration in a collaborative discussion to discuss making the proposed policy most effective. Stated he is not sure of the rationale behind some of the changes. See attachment for a copy of his presentation.

## **5. Consent Items**

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### 5.1 Approval of Minutes

Resolution: Approval

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Matt Lawrence, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence

## 5.2 Expenditure Reports

Resolution: Approval

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Matt Lawrence, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence

## 5.3 Revenue Reports

Resolution: Approval

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Matt Lawrence, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence

## 5.4 Disbursements

Resolution: Approval

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Matt Lawrence, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence

## 5.5 Personnel Decisions

Resolution: Approval

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Matt Lawrence, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence

## 5.6 Vote on Consent Agenda

Resolution: Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Matt Lawrence, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence

## 6. Information / Discussion Items

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### 6.1 Business Administrator's Report

Informed the Board that Brandon Johnson has left Chapman and Cutler.

### 6.2 BoardDocs

### 6.3 District New Teacher Mentoring Program

### 6.4 UVA 12 Cohort Schools, Update

### 6.5 Digital Conversion of Teaching & Learning

### 6.6 Board Retreat Planning

The recommended agenda items were agreeable to the Board.

The Board agreed to have the retreat June 4 and 5 at 5:30 pm (each a four hour session).

## 7. Action Items

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### 7.1 Broadway Heritage Village

The company is proposing to enter into a Tax Increment Agreement with Tooele City, Tooele County, and the Tooele County School District concerning the use of tax increment revenues. Based upon their estimates, the company would apply for a tax increment loan with the following terms:

- Amount: \$500,000
- Term: 10 Years/25 Year Amortization
- Interest Rate: 5.00%
- Annual Payment: \$35,075.40

Our District employees have gone without pay increase for a number of years and as stated by Superintendent Rogers it is hard to support this amount of tax deferment to the project, even though it is a worthwhile project. He asked the actual impact to the District. Mr. Peterson stated that very preliminary figures would be about \$150,000 to each the city and the county and that would leave about \$250,000 for the District.

Member Bryan stated that the \$250,000 is not out of our pocket, but the District would have to forego this amount over the course of several years. In the past we have supported the county and as a District agreed to do our part. Most of these projects never came to fruition. Based on past experience he is very reluctant. Other Board Members expressed their same concerns.

The board is in favor of the worthwhile project but ultimately they would like to have a discussion with the city and county officials to see if we can make this work. Can the impact fees be more diversified between the three entities? President Manzione would like to hold over a motion on this until the Superintendent and Business Administrator have an opportunity to meet with the city and county officials to study this.

Motion to hold this over until the Superintendent and Business Administrator have had the opportunity to met with the county and city officials to study this.

Motion by Kathy Taylor, second by Matt Lawrence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bryan

## 7.2 Capital Outlay for 2015-2016 School Year, 1st Reading

Superintendent Rogers informed the Board and public that the legislature did not fund additional money for capital projects.

Motion to approve a second reading on the capital outlay projects.

Motion by Carol Jensen, second by Kathy Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bryan

## 7.3 Safe Walking Path

DISCUSSION:

Member Bryan said the logic with this motion is that with the building in the area, there will eventually be a "screwy" boundary line. Eventually the growth will connect with the Rose Springs Elementary boundary. The boundary line will split between two homes. Part of this area will be in Rose Springs and the other part Copper Canyon's boundaries. He believes it would make more sense to put all the area into one school. At this point there are six students in this area.

Member Jensen said that as she studied the map, she also felt this option made sense.

Member Lawrence stated that our goal with the boundary changes is to move students. This area will eventually attend the new school built across the highway. The approved recommendation from the boundary committee was to have this area attend Copper Canyon and he would be hesitant to change recommendation from the committee. We held to the committee's recommendation everywhere else.

Member Bryan doesn't think anyone on the committee realized the road going to the west would connection. President Manzione agreed with that assessment.

Member Lawrence asked how he can go back to the families across the highway and justify this change.

President Manzione said this is a temporary fix. Our intent is to get a new school. She doesn't know if we can say which boundary this neighborhood will fall into.

Vice President Jensen said that if the boundary is not changed, potentially we will have two bussing routes in this area. One bus will drop students off at Rose Springs Elementary and the other at Copper Canyon Elementary. With new information coming in, it is just now being realized.

Based on discussion, Member Lawrence asked if we are building the new school in the wrong place. If the core population in Stansbury Park is greater than the capacity of the two elementary schools there, maybe we need to reconsider the location of the new school.

Member Lawrence asked the Superintendent to express his opinion. Superintendent Rogers said that the Board previously agreed that if a safe walking path could not be established, the students will be bused to Copper Canyon Elementary. These parents have expressed a desire to attend Rose Springs Elementary. He definitely can see both sides and there is no easy fix. He has a hard time saying the current site for a new elementary is not proper. This

area will continue to grow and the property has been donated to the District for this purpose. When the school is ready for occupancy, all of the Stansbury Park area will have to have new boundaries established.

Member Taylor can see both sides; however the approved motion was if the walkway is not feasible the students would attend Copper Canyon Elementary. She can understand Member Lawrence's concern if the motion on the table passes, he will have very upset families from Benson Grist Mill area. She believes the original approved motion should stand.

Member Mouritsen said he understand the logic that there are not that many kids we are talking about. Eventually two buses may have to serve this area. He is concerned that the patrons were told the committee did their due process and then it comes to this point and we tell them never mind. That doesn't reflect well for the Board of Education or the boundary committee.

Motion to designate the Delgado Subdivision area to a bussing route with their boundary to Rose Springs Elementary.

Motion by Carol Jensen, second by Scott Bryan.

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yea: Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Scott Bryan

Nay: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Matt Lawrence

#### DISCUSSION AFTER MOTION FAILED:

It was expressed by Member Bryan that we need another motion to define that boundary. Someone has to make a motion on the dividing house numbers. Member Lawrence said the road is not even build so how could we do that. The original motion was reviewed to see if the motion said "Delgado" or "Delgado Estates." It was confirmed it said "Benson Grist Mill and Delgado."

Superintendent said Administration will do their best to interpret the original and approve motion. He believes the new home builders will just want to know where their students will attend school and President Manzione agreed. Basically, if your address is Delgado you will attend Copper Canyon Elementary and if your address is Schooner Lane, you will attend Rose Springs Elementary.

Based on the current discussion, Member Bryan expressed for clarity purposes everyone north of the highway should attend Copper Canyon Elementary. The motion said Grist Mill only and did not include other areas in that vicinity. When the original motion was approved, in his mind that meant the area in "blue" on the map.

President Manzione believes we need to make sure Copper Canyon Elementary can handle this many students. I understand the point but the original motion said "Delgado" and "Benson Grist Mill." Superintendent Rogers emphasized that this entire boundary issue is temporary and will be corrected with a new school. The developers have looked at our maps and made choices based on them. Now are we going to change the maps?

Superintendent Rogers said if the Board does nothing, Administration will do their best to interpret the last motion in respect to what Delgado means.

Motion to designate everything north of the highway will attend Copper Canyon Elementary.

Motion by Scott Bryan, second NONE.

## 7.4 Annual Review, Policy 5036, Indian Education

Motion to approve the annual review of Policy 5036, Indian Education.

Motion by Kathy Taylor, second by Matt Lawrence.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bryan

## 7.5 Proposed Revision of Policy 3020, Donations, Gifts and Sponsorships, 2nd Reading

Motion to approve the policy for implementation.

Motion by Alan Mouritsen, second by Carol Jensen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bryan

## 7.6 Proposed Revision of Policy 5001, Student Travel, 3rd Reading

After meeting with athletic directors and principals, Mr. Strain would recommend adding language specific to summer travel.

Member Bryan said the Board needs to decide if the goal is to minimize the travel for expense reasons or to limit the time students are out of the classroom.

Superintendent Rogers stressed that we need to do what is right for students and that doesn't mean travel unlimited. In the past, approvals have felt arbitrary.

President Manzione believes there is a disconnect regarding the expenses. Coaches believe they are paying for the trips. She would like to know who pays the expenses. Mr. Strain explained that the big cost is transportation itself. Transportation for Utah High School Activities Association activities are paid by the District as well as the guest teachers to cover for the coaches/advisers out of their classes. The CTE activities are usually covered by CTE funds. Others are generally paid by the school.

Superintendent Rogers recommended a fourth reading and allow Mr. Reynolds to research the District's travel expenses. With that information, it may be recommended the funds could be equitably distributed to the travel budgets at the schools. They would then have to spend according to their budget. Mr. Strain acknowledged that the athletic directors and principals basically agree with this, with the exception of the state competitions. They believe the state competitions should be covered by the District.

In addition to what has been discussed here, Member Bryan inquired if the District funds are paying for summer travel. He suggested the policy allow one summer and one school-year trip. He also believes allowing six additional overnight trips may be excessive and recommends four is a reasonable number.

Motion to approve a fourth reading

Motion by Kathy Taylor, second by Alan Mouritsen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kathy Taylor, Alan Mouritsen, Maresa Manzione, Carol Jensen, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bryan

## **8. Adjourn (10:00 p.m. Curfew)**

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Motion to Adjourn

Meeting ended at 9:47 pm

Adjourn

Motion by Alan Mouritsen