

The Board of Education of Ogden City School District met in a study session at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2016, in room 200, located in the Administration Building at the District Education Service Center, 1950 Monroe Boulevard, Ogden, Utah.

The following members of the board were present when the meeting convened:

Jeff N. Heiner	President
Jennifer Zundel	Vice President
Douglas B. Barker	Member
Don E. Belnap	Member
Susan Richards	Member
Joyce Wilson	Member

Superintendent Sandy Coroles and Business Administrator Zane K. Woolstenhulme were also present. Board member Shane B. Story was excused.

President Heiner welcomed everyone to the study session.

Review of Consent Calendar.

Student Fee Schedule, 2016-2017, Revision. Board member Joyce Wilson posed a question concerning the charging of a fee for students in grades K-6 for extracurricular activities such as theater. She stated that State Board Rule R277-407-4 now allows these fees to be charged to elementary students participating in after school activities. She asked if the district should add \$10 to \$15 to the Student Fee Schedule to cover the cost of costumes for students, K-6. Superintendent Coroles has followed up with Janis Vause of the Ogden School Foundation, who agreed to help with the costumes needed for students in grades K-6, up to \$300.

Celebrating Student Achievement.

“Great Things Happening Report” – Astro Camp. It was announced that the board would be introduced to the new Astro Camp director, Annika Jensen, as well as having the opportunity to say goodbye to Ed and Lois Douglas, former Astro Camp directors.

Superintendent’s Celebration. The superintendent shared a brief report of items she will discuss further in the upcoming board meeting:

- Emeli Flores, a recent OHS graduate, received the CTE Secondary Pathway Completer award.
- September is National Attendance Awareness Month and we are hosting several celebrations district-wide.
- Garrett Barton, a senior at OHS, took first place at the City-County Cross Country meet; OHS boys Cross Country team took first place for the team event. OHS girls Cross Country team took third overall.
- Friday, September 16, 2016, the Ogden High and Ben Lomond High School tracks and fields will be rededicated.
- Friday, September 16, 2016, we will be celebrating the ‘A’ grade received by Polk Elementary on their SAGE spring 2016 testing.

Public Participation.

There will be no public participation at the board meeting following this study session.

Increasing Student Achievement.

Accountability Results. Adam McMickell, assessment coordinator, stated that recently we learned that because of changes to SB 149, the grading system for SAGE results would be changing due to the fact that too many schools received A’s or B’s. With this new direction, 50% of our schools received a lower grade than was originally communicated. He has reached out to every state board member and Senator Ann Millner to request that the state board review their decision and change back to the grades first received in August 2016. He noted that the major media has picked up on our positions and have led with the fact that we have a moving target this year. Our request was that this subsection to this state law be applied to next year’s SAGE assessment and not this year’s results. The state board ruled last Friday to keep the changes as presented. Mr. McMickell will present the SAGE results as approved by the state board at tonight’s board meeting.

Other.

Board Leadership. President Heiner stated that early this evening, Board Leadership met with the superintendent and business administrator, with Mr. Woolstenhulme having two items that needed to be shared with the board members. The first concerned the softball field at Ogden High School. He stated that a gentleman had made a donation a few years ago to Northridge High School to improve their softball field. Luke Rasmussen, principal at Ogden High School (OHS), has reached out to this person, Mr. Blaine Burnett, and asked if he would do the same for the OHS softball field. Mr. Burnett has made a very generous offer to renovate the softball field at OHS at a cost of approximately \$70,000. This

donation would flow through the Ogden School Foundation and would also cover the cost of maintenance for the infield indefinitely. He is further willing to offer this same thing for the Ben Lomond High softball field using funding in 2017. The BLHS softball field would not need as much work and would cost approximately \$40,000. The board agreed to have Mr. Burnett proceed with the plans for the OHS softball field upgrade.

The second item is the tennis court at Ben Lomond High, where a section of post-tension concrete blew up a few weeks ago. There are a couple of reasons that this slab failed:

- Poor workmanship
- 4" Post-tension slab
- Tendon location
- Post-tensioned concrete slabs require no restriction around the perimeter as they expand and contract daily. The larger the slab – the greater the contraction/expansion. This is a fairly large slab and there was a concrete sidewalk placed in between the post-tension slab and a building to the south which had restricted the movement of the post-tension slab.

The resolution is:

- Option 1: Release the active tendons and saw cut the concrete approximately 10' from the south perimeter and remove the 10' of concrete along the entire south end. Replace the 10' of concrete with reinforced 6" thick concrete; cost would be approximately \$62,000; or
- Option 2: Demolish the entire post-tension tennis court and replaced with new post-tensioned concrete courts; cost would be approximately \$275,000.

The board asked if we needed more than four courts at BLHS. There are six courts at OHS. Do we also need to cover the courts with a bubble? Mr. Woolstenhulme asked the board to consider both options and make recommendations at a future date. He will get bids on adding two more courts, as well as adding a bubble cover. We would be using capital funds and not bond funds for this project.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m. in preparation for attendance at the board meeting at 6 p.m.

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President

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Business Administrator

The Board of Education of Ogden City School District met in a regular session at 6:03 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2016, in the board room, located in the Administration Building at the District Education Service Center, 1950 Monroe Boulevard, Ogden, Utah.

The following members of the board were present when the meeting convened:

Jeff N. Heiner	President
Jennifer Zundel	Vice President
Douglas B. Barker	Member
Don E. Belnap	Member
Susan Richards	Member
Joyce Wilson	Member

Superintendent Sandy Coroles and Business Administrator Zane K. Woolstenhulme were also present. Board member Shane B. Story was excused.

President Heiner welcomed everyone to the board meeting.

The reverence was led by Ken Crawford.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led Jessica Bennington.

1. Consent Calendar.

The following items on the consent calendar, including those items mentioned above, were approved on a motion by Don E. Belnap. Seconded by Susan Richards. The motion carried unanimously.

a. Recommended Personnel Actions. The following personnel actions recommended by the superintendent were approved:

**RESIGNATIONS**

4/15/16	Hughes, Samantha	Special education staff assistant @ Heritage, resigned
5/26/16	Gregerson, Carma	Classroom staff assistant @ TO Smith, resigned
8/18/16	Warren, Candis	Teacher @ Heritage, resigned
5/26/16	Stanger, Paul	Classroom staff assistant @ James Madison, resigned
4/13/16	Johnstun, Wendy	Classroom staff assistant @ Heritage, resigned
5/26/16	Rivers, Paul	Playground monitor @ Polk, resigned
5/26/16	Laughlin, Cecilia	Classroom staff assistant @ TO Smith, resigned
9/30/16	Allen, Tori	Teacher @ YIC, resigned
5/27/16	Dominguez, Brenda	Teacher @ Mound Fort, resigned
5/27/16	Thayn, Avan	Library media specialist, resigned
9/2/16	Williams, Zac	Communications Director @ District, resigned

**RETIREMENTS**

9/15/16	Tesch, Ronald	Custodian @ George Washington
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**ELECTIONS**

8/23/16	Serrano, Dylan	Special education staff assistant @ Horace Mann, \$12.53 per hour, 26 hours per week
8/23/16	Richey, Lorianne	Special education staff assistant @ Lincoln, \$12.53 per hour, 26 hours per week
8/23/16	Polson, Crystal	Classroom staff assistant @ Lincoln, \$12.53 per hour, 25 hours per week
8/23/16	Dinsdale, Kristine	Library staff assistant @ Shadow Valley, \$12.53 per hour, 19.5 hours per week
8/23/16	Cabral Matos, Jennifer	Library staff assistant @ Odyssey, \$12.53 per hour, 24 hours per week
8/15/16	Perkins, Rebecca	CTE secretary @ Ogden High, \$12.53 per hour, 35 hours per week
8/18/16	Muncy, Kelly	Teacher @ George Washington, \$62,845.00
8/18/16	Ventosa Vazquez, Jose Luis	Teacher @ TO Smith, \$44,470.00
8/18/16	Barton, Alydia	Teacher @ Ogden High, \$46,220.00
8/18/16	Jacobsen, Anita	Teacher @ Taylor Canyon, \$51,470.00
8/18/16	Pizarro, Renee	Teacher @ Polk, \$51,470.00
8/18/16	Kennedy-Croft, Sharmain	Teacher @ Shadow Valley, \$55,845.00
8/18/16	Homer, Lindsay	Teacher @ Shadow Valley, \$39,220.00
8/18/16	Lenart, Diana	Teacher @ Bonneville, \$40,095.00
8/18/16	Kelley, Tara	Teacher @ Bonneville, \$39,220.00
8/18/16	Dredge, Jessica	Teacher @ Taylor Canyon, \$39,220.00
8/18/16	Olson, Emily	Teacher @ Gramercy, \$43,595.00
8/18/16	Aho, Carly	Teacher @ New Bridge, \$43,595.00
8/19/16	Tonks, Kailei	Custodian @ New Bridge, \$13.44 per hour, 19 hours per week
8/22/16	Cota, Shauntelle	Counselor @ Lincoln, \$54,095.00
8/18/16	Roghaar, Brady	Teacher @ Heritage, \$39,220.00
8/18/16	Williams, Sharon	Teacher (.5 fte) @ Heritage, \$27,922.00
8/22/16	Harlan, Tyler	Counselor @ Mt. Ogden, \$49,720.00
8/23/16	Sanguino, Ariana	Tracker/staff assistant @ Ogden High, \$12.53 per hour, 25 hours per week
8/23/16	Smart, Carrie	Office staff assistant @ New Bridge, \$11.69 per hour, 20 hours per week
8/22/16	Gilbert, Devin	Teacher @ TO Smith, \$39,220.00
8/22/16	Gibson, Katalin	Teacher @ Taylor Canyon, \$39,220.00
8/23/16	Leach, Kelsey	Playground monitor @ Wasatch, \$11.69 per hour, 17.5 hours per week
8/23/16	Hicks, Stacie	Playground monitor @ Horace Mann, \$11.69 per hour, 17.5 hours per week
8/23/16	Unruh, Heidi	Playground monitor @ Taylor Canyon, \$11.69 per hour, 15 hours per week
8/26/16	Hales, Angela	Library staff assistant @ Gramercy, \$12.53 per hour, 19.5 hours per week
8/29/16	Kirvan, Jessica	Library staff assistant @ Highland, \$12.53 per hour, 10 hours per week
9/6/16	Jensen, Annika	Astro Camp Facilitator, \$39,220.00
8/23/16	Furner, Jennifer	Behavioral staff assistant @ Mound Fort, \$12.53 per hour, 28.75 hours per week

8/23/16	Isom, Juliana	Behavioral staff assistant @ Odyssey, \$12.53 per hour, 20 hours per week
8/31/16	Merrill, Neidra	Behavioral staff assistant @ Heritage, \$12.53 per hour, 26 hours per week
8/29/16	Toomer, Lantzen	Office staff assistant @ District HR, \$13.44 per hour, 28.75 hours per week
<b><u>CHANGE OF STATUS</u></b>		
8/26/16	Hansen, Robyn	Special education staff assistant @ Heritage, \$12.53 per hour, 19.5 hours per week
8/23/16	Sorensen, Maijken	Special education staff assistant @ Heritage, \$13.69 per hour, 26 hours per week
8/23/16	Clelland, Cole	Special education staff assistant @ Mound Fort, \$12.53 per hour, 26 hours per week
8/23/16	McKnight, Jenny	Hours decreased from 17.5 hours per week to 14 hours per week, no change to wage or location
8/23/16	Jones, Tammy	Playground monitor @ New Bridge, \$11.69 per hour, 17.5 hours per week
8/11/16	Eastman, Wendy	Hours increased from .8 fte to 1.0 fte
8/18/16	Miller, Maren	Level increase to a Master's degree, \$47,095.00
8/18/16	Mikesell, Arlin	Level increase to a Master's plus, \$54,970.00
7/1/16	Maxson, Carrie	Supervisor @ District, \$76,841.00
8/11/16	Montgomery, Janean	Contract increased from 181.5 days to 191.5 days
8/23/16	Youngberg, Leslie	Site tech @ Heritage, \$15.20 per hour, 25 hours per week
8/23/16	Moya, Amarani	Office staff assistant @ Heritage, no change to wage, location or hours
8/23/16	Redd, Alexis	Classroom staff assistant @ James Madison, \$13.31 per hour, 17.5 hours per week
8/15/16	Conrad, Dusk	Custodian @ New Bridge, \$13.44 per hour, 19 hours per week
8/18/16	Crouch, Roxie	Counselor @ Bonnevillie and Polk, no change to wage or hours
8/18/16	Davis, Nichole	Level increase to a Bachelor's plus, \$44,470.00
8/23/16	Becker, Hollie	Hours increased from 17.5 per week to 19.5 per week
8/23/16	Leach, Kimberly	Hours increased from 26 hours per week to 27.5 per week
8/23/16	Wiser, Lori	Hours decreased from 19.5 hours per week to 17.5 per week
8/23/16	Vila Torras, Ignasi	Hours decreased from 19.5 hours per week to 17.5 per week
8/23/16	Messerly, Ann	Library staff assistant @ Horace Mann
8/23/16	Child, Jodean	Library staff assistant @ Horace Mann, \$15.97 per hour, 19.5 hours per week
8/18/16	Wright, Ameer	Teacher @ New Bridge
8/18/16	Witman, Emily	Teacher @ YIC
8/18/16	Nielson, Patricia	Counselor @ New Bridge, salary level remains the same
8/18/16	Mitchell, April	Science specialist @ Shadow Valley/New Bridge, salary level to remain the same
8/23/16	Byrne, Stacey	Hours increased from 15 per week to 19.5 per week
8/23/16	Jones, Tammy	Hours increased from 17.5 per week to 19.5 per week
8/18/16	Van Hook, Stacey	.5 Teacher @ Taylor Canyon, no change to salary level
8/23/16	Gerrard, Heather	Intern admin @ Ogden High, no change to salary or hours
8/16/16	Peterson, Brecken	Level increase to a Master's degree, \$47,095.00
8/18/16	Wolfley, Melanie	Part-time teacher (.49) @ Polk, \$19,218.00
8/18/16	Price, Leianne	Hours voluntarily reduced to .8 fte @ Madison
8/18/16	Richardson, Paula	Hours voluntarily reduced to .4 fte @ Special education/District
8/22/16	Pyle, Skyler	Communication Specialist @ District, \$20.17 per hour, 40 hours per week
8/29/16	Sagers, Jeffry	YIC staff assistant @ Weber Valley Detention Center, \$15.97 per hour, 29.5 hours per week
8/19/16	Ingram, Diane	Cook @ New Bridge, wage and hours to remain the same
9/12/16	Nunez, Rocio	Location change to Mt. Ogden, no change to wage or hours
8/23/16	Weeks, Shellie	Hours increased from 15 per week to 17.5 per week, no change to wage or location
8/23/16	Holliday, Justin	Wage increased from lane B to lane C, no change to location or hours
8/23/16	Berger, Wendy	Wage increased from lane B to lane C, no change to location or hours
8/23/16	Goode, Steven	Wage increased from lane B to lane C, no change to location or hours
8/14/16	Elder, LaJean	Level increase to a Master's degree, \$47,095.00
8/29/16	Miller, Tonya	Hours decreased from 26 per week to 19.5 week, no change to wage or location

9/6/16	Richey, Laurie	Hours decreased from 25 per week to 12.5 per week, no change to wage or location
9/2/16	Smith, Lisa	Special education staff assistant @ Odyssey, \$12.53 per hour, 19.5 hours per week
8/23/16	Bate, Lenor	Hours increased from 15 hours per week to 19.5 hours per week, no change to wage or location
9/6/16	Hicks, Stacie	Location change to Polk, no change to wage, hours or position
8/23/16	Anderson, Melanie	Hours decreased from 19.5 per week to 17.5 per week, no change to wage or location

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

8/18/16	Bullough, Brett	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 11/15/16 then approved for a medical leave of absence
9/2/16	Florek, Heidi	Approved for FMLA 9/2/16 through 12/4/16
10/18/16	Ferry, Kelly	Approved for FMLA 10/18/16 through 10/20/16
8/31/16	Chertudi, Marian	Approved for FMLA 8/31/16 through 11/30/16
10/7/16	Willig, Amy	Approved for FMLA 10/7/16 through 12/20/16
8/18/16	Christensen, Clay	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 10/27/16
8/18/16	Noseworthy, Christy	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 9/18/16
8/23/16	Gronewald, Angela	Approved for FMLA 8/23/16 through 11/17/16
8/18/16	Goodsell, Sarah	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 9/29/16
8/18/16	Beck, Tracy	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 9/29/16
8/18/16	Jackson, Jessica	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 10/28/16
8/18/16	Brown, Richard	Approved for FMLA 8/18/16 through 9/23/16

b. Financial Reports. Financial reports for August 2016 were provided by the business administrator.

c. Minutes of Previous Meetings. Minutes for the board meeting held August 8, 2016, August 18, 2016, and September 1, 2016, were approved as written.

d. Second Reading Board Policy Manual Section 2.2 – Duties of the Superintendent (rev.). The board approved the second reading of this policy, with the revision as written:

The superintendent is the executive officer of the Board of Education. The following are the duties of the superintendent:

1. To plan, direct, and coordinate the educational program of the district with special emphasis on improvement of reading and mathematics and content specific standards reading improvement and to maintain continual emphasis of best practices for all educational programs of the district.

e. Second Reading Board Policy Manual Section 4.6.2 – Special Use of School Buses (rev.). The board approved the second reading of this policy, with the revision as written:

All trips over ~~400~~ 350 miles and/or overnight must receive prior approval from the Board of Education. A bus usage fee will be established by the transportation department.

f. Second Reading Board Policy Manual Section 5.1 – Facilities Development Goals (rev.). The board approved the second reading of this policy, with the revision as written:

With ~~twenty-three~~ many school campuses, a district office complex, shops, warehousing facilities, and several other properties, the Board of Education has a huge investment in school facilities.

g. Second Reading Board Policy Manual Section 5.4 – Facilities Construction (rev.). The board approved the second reading of this policy, with the revision as written:

Part ~~5~~ 2 of the Procurement Policy for the Ogden City School District outlines the process for the implementation of construction, including the selection of an architect, alternate methods of construction services, bid security, bonds required, contract clauses, change orders, awarding contracts, competitive sealed proposals, non-responsibility of bidder, specification preparation and legal requirements.

h. Second Reading Board Policy Manual Section 5.5.1 – Names of Building Plaques (rev.). The board approved the second reading of this policy, with the revision as written:

In keeping with the practice to recognize elected officials and others for their efforts and/or public service in providing new or improved public facilities, the district will have plaques installed on new construction projects listing the names of persons, as reflected in board minutes, who were involved at the time of acceptance of the project bid and who served during the construction period. The plaques will provide the following information:

- a) Name of the school, building, or playing field;
- b) Board-approved construction date;
- c) Names of the members on the board who approved construction date, thusly: president, vice president, members of the board (in order of number of years on the board), and any members of the board added during the period of construction;
- d) Names of the superintendent and ~~clerk of the board~~ Business Administrator;
- e) Name of architect;
- f) Name of contractor; and,
- g) Others as directed by the board.

i. Second Reading Board Policy Manual Section 6.1.9 – Employment Background Checks (rev.). The board approved the second reading of this policy, with the revision as written.

Employees working 30 – 40 hours	Full cost
Employees working 20 – 29 hours	\$35.00
Employees working 15 – 19 hours	\$20.00
Employees working 14.9 hours and below	\$10.00
Volunteers and substitutes	\$10.00
<u>Employees Transferring from Other Districts</u>	<u>\$ 5.00</u>

j. Student Fee Schedule, 2016-2017, Revision. The board approved the revision for junior high ceramics, from \$8 to \$10.

k. Allocation of New Property Taxes. The board approved the allocation of new property taxes as follows:

**Budget:**

- New Voted Local Levy \$ - \$353,441
- New Board Local Levy \$ - \$468,990
- New Capital Local Levy \$ - \$883,604

**Allocation:**

- 1) Apply the proceeds from the Capital Local Levy increase towards payment of the New Bridge Revenue Bonds;
- 2) Apply the proceeds from the Board Local Levy increase to offset increased transportation contract costs;
- 3) Apply the proceeds from the Voted Local Levy increase for funding of:
  - A) Extra-curricular secondary school programs -- \$250,000;
  - B) \$103,441 for Behavior Specialist support.

2. Celebrating Student Achievement.

a. "Great Things Happening Report"- Astro Camp. Roger Snow, district administrator, shared a history of Astro Camp, beginning with the beginning 26 years ago at Lynn Elementary by Lois Douglas, a teacher at that school. Mrs. Douglas, with the help of her husband, Ed, built the first AstroLab out of PVC pipe and plastic sheeting. This AstroLab, housed on the stage at Lynn, ran for a few years before it was moved to the district campus in the former Woodbury Hall dormitory. There, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas built their own orbiter, thanks to the sponsorships of many aerospace groups such as ATK Thiokol. After many years of running field trips and summer space camps out of Woodbury Hall, Astro Camp was officially set up at Odyssey Elementary in the fall of 2006, where it remains today. Mr. Snow introduced Ed and Lois Douglas, who have recently retired from the district, and thanked them for the many years of dedicated work to Astro Camp and the education of students interested in science, mathematics, and aerospace education. Mrs. Douglas thanked the board for the years of support and encouragement and for giving this opportunity to so many young people. They will treasure their relationships with these young people forever. Mr. Douglas stated that when you look back 26 years ago, there is so much ownership by so many for this program. It started with Rich Moore, principal of Lynn Elementary, allowing the AstroLab to be built on the stage; then with Dr. Jim West, superintendent, who believed in them and made it possible to move Astro Camp to Woodbury Hall on

the district campus; and finally all the parents who allowed their children to come to Astro Camp over the years. He thanked the district staff and secretaries for their support and work over the years.

Mr. Snow stated that the district had many discussions concerning the future of Astro Camp without the Douglas's, with the decision made that "it's not broke, don't fix it." Astro Camp needed to maintain their format. With that decision made, the district set forth to find a new director, but because the Douglas's had developed their jobs from scratch, it was hard to write a job description and to find the right person. Fortunately, we have some alumni who knew of Annika Jensen, a former Astro Camp student and summer camp counselor, who had graduated from Utah State University with a degree in Aerospace Engineering. As the committee interviewed Mrs. Jensen, it was apparent that we had found our new director for Astro Camp.

Mrs. Jensen was introduced to the board, and stated that Astro Camp inspired her to become an aerospace engineer. While living in Texas, she started her own summer science camp in her home. She expressed a desire to expand the Astro Camp program to the pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students, to incorporate engineering and maintain the core values set by the Douglas's. She thanked the board for the opportunity to be a part of the Astro Camp program in this capacity.

b. Utah State Finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching – Cayme Olsen, Shadow Valley Elementary. Suzanne Bolar, principal at Shadow Valley Elementary, introduced Mrs. Cayme Olsen as the Utah State finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. She stated that Cayme provides students with a nurturing environment that allows them to achieve and succeed on a daily basis. She accomplishes this because she goes above and beyond in everything she does. She has spent countless hours outside of the classroom working to create authentic and engaging learning experiences that cross over content areas as well as relate to the students' real world and life. In addition, Cayme makes her classroom a fun and inviting place for students to explore their interests as well as foster their creativity.

When you enter Cayme's classroom for science instruction, you enter into a science lab and research facility where students are actually being scientists. She presents purposeful phenomena to spark their curiosity and interest, and then provides them opportunities to design their own investigations to gather evidence. She strategically plans lessons using the 5E Lesson Plan Design to ensure that her students are thinking, acting, and solving problems like scientists and engineers. There is always a lot of great dialogue, problem solving, looking for evidence, making claims, and designing projects as well as a happy buzz in the room from the students who are deeply engaged. She announced that Cayme will be moving onto the national level of competition which will take place in 2017.

c. Superintendent Celebrations. Superintendent Coroles shared the following celebrations:

- Congratulations to Emeli Flores, a recent OHS graduate, for receiving the CTE Secondary Pathway Completer Award. Emeli completed the CTE Skilled and Technical Science Cosmetology/Barbering Pathway and was recognized for her dedication and hard work.
- September is National Attendance Awareness Month. With a theme for this year of "Be in School Everyday!" many of our schools have held activities to promote attendance awareness, such as Mayor Caldwell visiting James Madison on September 21<sup>st</sup> from 9-11 a.m. Mayor Caldwell will talk to the students about the importance of attending school every day and what that will mean for them the rest of their lives.
- Garrett Barton, a senior at OHS, took first place in the individual City-County Cross Country meet held on Wednesday. The OHS boys cross country team placed four runners in the top ten, and took first place in the team event. Congratulations also to the OHS girls team, who took third overall.
- This coming Friday night, both Ben Lomond and Ogden High School's will be rededicating their tracks and fields at 6:40 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and celebrate the new turf football fields and upgraded tracks. These facilities will benefit our high school students and our community for years to come. Thanks to all who helped with this massive project.
- Also on Friday, we will be celebrating the success of Polk Elementary on their SAGE results, which is an 'A' grade. This celebration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

3. Public Participation.  
There was no public participation at this time.

4. Increasing Student Achievement.

a. Accountability Results. Adam McMickell, coordinator of assessment, led the discussion concerning the district results from the SAGE testing held spring 2016. Mr. McMickell stated that our spring SAGE test scores indicate that we have a gap in all three subjects, mathematics, English Language Arts (ELA), and science, but we are making progress over the past three years, especially in elementary ELA.

Elementary SAGE Proficiency:

o ELA:	2016- 38%	2015- 33%	2014- 32%
o Math:	2016- 36%	2015- 33%	2014- 30%
o Science:	2016- 36%	2015- 32%	2014- 31%

He further spoke to the changes made in the grading scale by the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) in the past few weeks. A recent revision of the school grading law (SB 149) requires the USBE to increase the threshold for letter grades by five (5) percent if more than 65% of schools earn an A or B (Utah Code Annotated 53A-1-1110 (2)). In 2015-2016, more than 65% of Utah's schools would have received an A or B based on the established grading scale. The new law essentially masks increased test scores by arbitrarily raising the criteria for letter grades and distracts the community from focusing on the most important topic: student achievement. It was widely felt that there was room for interpretation with the bill and that this was not the intent of the legislative authors to have it happen in this way.

In 2015-2016, 12 of our 14 elementary schools increased their overall accountability scores. Due to the changes to the grading scale, 50% of our schools received a lower grade than they would have earned under the previous criteria. Below is a listing of what our schools would have earned under the former criteria and what they actually earned after the USBE change:

<u>School</u>	<u>Former Criteria grade</u>	<u>Actual Grade after Change</u>
Bonneville	C	D
Dee	C	C
Gramercy	B	C
Heritage	C	D
Hillcrest	C	D
Horace Mann	B	C
James Madison	C	C
Lincoln	A	B
Odyssey	C	C
Polk	A	A
Shadow Valley	B	B
Taylor Canyon	B	B
T. O. Smith	C	C
Wasatch	B	C
Highland	C	C
Mound Fort	C	C
Mount Ogden	B	C
Ben Lomond	C	F
Ogden	D	F

Mr. McMickell stated that even though we are satisfied with our proficiency, we will focus our attention on the huge growth made at every level. We want to focus on what we accomplished, not what was lost. We are so proud of our administrators and teachers who worked hard this past year to raise the bar in their schools. He congratulated Polk for obtaining an A, and Lincoln for their efforts toward an A prior to the change. The board asked Ross Lunceford, principal at Lincoln to talk about the change and how that affected his faculty. He stated that Lincoln's goal is to be the best school in the district and they will focus everything on doing this. We will put all of our resources into making our teachers better, more effective in what they do and supply what they need to succeed. Lincoln has a great staff, and even though it took the wind out of their sails, the percentages increased, and the teachers know of the hard work that was done and will refocus on their efforts for this school year. Mr. McMickell added that Mr. Lunceford is engaged at every level with the intricacies of his students, especially those of poverty. He is in constant communication with his teachers concerning their data and the variables that will impact their students. He rallies his teachers and other administrators to focus and keep moving forward.

The board held a conversation on what they can do to encourage our teachers and administrators to continue forward, as well as working with the community to keep them informed of the

changes made in assessments at the legislative and state board levels. These changes are huge hurdles for our schools to overcome. The board thanked the district assessment team and all administrators and teachers for their great work.

Motion to adjourn the regular session was made by Joyce Wilson, seconded by Jennifer Zundel, and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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President

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Business Administrator

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