

Minutes of Regular and Work Session

Board of Education Ogden City School District 1950 Monroe Boulevard, Ogden Utah

A Regular and Work Session of the Board of Education of Ogden City School District was held Thursday, May 2, 2019 beginning at 5:02 PM in the Board Room. The following were present when the meeting convened:

Members:

Don E. Belnap, President
Joyce Wilson, Vice President
Douglas B. Barker
Nancy Blair
Susan Richards
Sunni Wilkinson
Jennifer Zundel

Staff:

Dr. Rich K. Nye, Superintendent
Zane K. Woolstenhulme, Business Administrator
Paula Bosgieter, Executive Assistant
Janis Vause, Foundation Executive Director
Skyler Pyle, Communications
Jer Bates, Public Information Officer
Ken Crawford, Support Services Director

1. **Regular Session, Board Room**

- a. *Action Item:* Contract Approval for Health Insurance Third-Party Administrator
Consideration to approve HealthEZ as Health Insurance Third-Party Administrator.
Presenter: Zane K. Woolstenhulme, Business Administrator

Mr. Woolstenhulme gave a presentation to the board regarding self-funded insurance and the need for a Health Insurance Third-Party Administrator. Board members asked questions regarding the service HealthEZ will provide and Mr. Woolstenhulme responded.

MOTION: Board member Nancy Blair moved to approve HealthEZ as Health Insurance Third-Party Administrator, seconded by Susan Richards. The motion carried unanimously.

2. **Work Session, Board Room**

- a. Real Estate Discussion
Presenter: G. Norman George, Advantage Real Estate

Mr. George gave a presentation to the board regarding real estate owned by the school district. He indicated the market is very strong right now. He recommended the board know what they are going to do with property and revenue before making the decision to sell or buy property. Market value of a property is unknown until the property is made available on the open market and may be more than appraised value.

- b. Ogden School Foundation Report
Presenter: Janis Vause, Foundation Executive Director

Mrs. Vause gave a presentation to the board regarding activities of the Ogden School Foundation. RAMP grants provide additional funding for summer arts programs for students. Mrs. Vause will notify the board when "We Are Amazing" 3rd grade performances are scheduled in our schools. Classroom grants are awarded annually for approximately \$300,000; majority of these grants provide arts in our schools. \$58,000 has been infused in our music programs through donations from Val Browning Foundation, Larry H Miller Foundation, and Adobe Foundation, providing new and repaired instruments in our elementary and secondary schools. Legacy Society has been formed to help build the endowment and provide funding in perpetuity. Dr. Nye recognized the efforts of the Foundation under her leadership.

- c. School Safety and Security
Presenter: Skyler Pyle, Communications

Ms. Pyle gave a presentation to the board regarding school safety, emergency preparedness and response protocol drills. She shared three videos created by the Utah Critical Incident Commission with the board: Lockdown, Shelter in Place, and Lockout.

The purpose of these videos is to begin the discussions regarding safety protocols. Ms. Pyle and Public Information Officer Jer Bates represent Ogden School District on the Critical Incident Commission. Mr. Bates responded to questions regarding the parent notification process and frequency/type of drills. Mr. Bates recognized Ms. Pyle for the work she has done, both within our district and across the state, in developing school safety protocols.

d. Marketing Discussion

Presenter: Jer Bates, Public Information Officer

Mr. Bates gave a presentation to the board regarding marketing strategies and telling our story. Outsourcing marketing pros and cons were shared; an RFP has been released and will be presented to the board on May 16 with a potential recommendation. Board members asked questions regarding reviewing the RFPs and Mr. Bates responded.

e. Construction Projects Update

1. MFJH Innovation Center & Ben Lomond Health and PE Facilities

Presenter: Ken Crawford, Support Services

Mr. Crawford gave a presentation to the board regarding construction progress on the Mound Fort Innovation Center and Ben Lomond Health and PE facilities. The Mound Fort addition will have a total of 10,000 square feet. Board members asked questions and Mr. Crawford responded. The Ben Lomond project has slowed a bit due to the rain but they are anticipating being a couple of days ahead of schedule. Construction teams are working to mitigate issues with excess ground water. Mr. Crawford responded to questions regarding topsoil on the property.

2. Bond Projects

Presenter: Chris Kartchner, BDK

Mr. Kartchner gave a report to the board regarding construction projects related to the bond: replacement of Horace Mann and T.O. Smith, renovation of Polk, and addition at Wasatch. Community meetings are scheduled and being held for the Wasatch and Horace Mann projects. Polk renovation is in the discovery process and this project will be lengthier. Contract negotiations with Architects are ongoing to determine fees. Remuda Tour is scheduled for next Thursday afternoon. The estimated cost for Wasatch addition is \$7.668M, which includes construction and soft costs. Communication matrix is keeping board members informed with progress on all projects.

Board member Jennifer Zundel left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Meetings are being held three to four times per week; up to three board members may be included in the meetings.

f. Horace Mann Elementary Architectural Update

Presenter: MHTN Architects

Representatives Brian Parker, Clifford Curtis, Ben Hansen and Adam LaFortune from MHTN gave a presentation to the board regarding the Horace Mann Elementary project. Construction documents will be ready to bid in October. Options were presented for two and three story buildings with three and four sections. Board members asked questions regarding costs and parking. Difference from three story, three section to four section is approximately \$2M. The difference between the two story and three story building is negligible. Concerns were expressed with three story building and line of sight for both options. Architects have not worked with community members yet; community meeting scheduled for May 14. Discussion ensued regarding agreement with Utah School for the Deaf and Blind for easement for a fire lane. Mr. Woolstenhulme responded to board concerns regarding options for the community and the impact on timing and funding. Mr. Bates gave suggestions regarding the information to provide at the community meeting. MHTN will put together a list of pros and cons for each option for the community to consider with the floor plans.

Board member Nancy Blair left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

g. Insurance Program Update

Presenter: Zane K. Woolstenhulme, Business Administrator

Mr. Woolstenhulme gave a summary report of self-funded insurance and introduced Benefits Consultant Dennis McCormack, Madison Webb, and the team from HealthEZ – Amir Eftekhari and Josh Shriner, who gave a presentation to the board regarding the services they will provide to our employees. Mr. Eftekhari demonstrated the website and noted there will be minimal disruption for our employees. Customer service will be provided by a live person and calls will be answered within thirty seconds. Employees will receive monthly statements for explanation of benefits. The district can upload videos to the website customized with our employees. CVS website for pharmaceuticals will show lowest cost for prescription drugs. Claims will be reviewed monthly by benefits consultant, business administrator, and human resources to ensure claims are being paid. If there are individuals with chronic, serious illness that will require continuing care between plans, HealthEZ will need to begin working with them for transition of care. Open Enrollment begins May 8. Notice will go out to employees notifying them of the changes.

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.ogdensd.org

President Belnap adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

President

Business Administrator