



MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Washington County School District
121 W Tabernacle Street, St. George, Utah 84770
March 10, 2020
4:30 P.M.

Present: Board President David Stirland, Board Member Craig Seegmiller, Board Member Terry Hutchinson, Board Member Laura Hesson, Board Member Becky Dunn, Board Vice President Kelly Blake, Board Member LaRene Cox, Superintendent Larry Bergeson, Business Administrator Brent Bills, Assistant Superintendent Richard Holmes, Assistant Superintendent Rex Wilkey, Executive Human Resource Director Lyle Cox, Executive Director Craig Hammer, Executive Director Cheri Stevenson, Executive Director Nate Esplin, Executive Director Amy Mitchell, and Communications Director Steven Dunham.

Hurricane City Officials present: Councilmember Nanette Billings, Councilmember Kevin Tervort, Councilmember Dave Sanders, Councilmember Darin Larson, and Councilmember Joseph Prete.

Minutes: Executive Secretary Kajsia Boyer

Reverence offered by Assistant Superintendent Richard Holmes.

WORK SESSION

Meeting with Hurricane City

Councilmember Kevin Tervort said growth in Hurricane City has been crazy. They are averaging 18-20 building permits a week. Dixie Springs, Elim Valley, Pecan Valley, and Copper Rock are all seeing growth. Copper Rock has 5500 units with a mix of homes and condos. Councilmember Darin Larson mentioned several other developments coming to the downtown area including rentals. The Copper Rock and Cordero developments will bring about 7500 units. Copper Rock had two homes in the Parade of Homes that brought a lot of traffic to the area. The demographics need to include families for a consideration of a school. The city is approximately 56 square miles. Rex Wilkey briefly reviewed the boundaries of the Hurricane schools. Craig Hammer mentioned that there is property in the area owned by Washington County School District. (LaVerkin, Dixie Springs, by Sand Hollow, and behind Walmart). Craig Hammer said it would take 12-14 months to build a new elementary school. David Stirland said that Hurricane High School is the largest it has ever been. The District will need to look at another high school in the next few years. Craig Hammer said our high schools all have the same capacity at 1500, which will help to keep them in the same classification for sports. Kevin Tervort mentioned that one of their biggest concerns is the road by Hurricane Elementary. Valley Academy Charter School is supposed to contact the District to set up a meeting about completing the road. Councilmember Nanette Billings said Hurricane City has committed to helping with 1/3 of the cost. Craig Hammer mentioned that Valley Academy owns all of the property to the west. Brent Bills said that the Mayor of Hurricane City helped us find the property for Hurricane Elementary. We paid to bring the utilities to the property and had assurances that as the property was developed the District would receive half the cost back. We have put a lot of money out but have received nothing back from Valley Academy. Safety for the students at Hurricane Elementary is the most important thing. Councilmember Nanette Billings mentioned that the crossing guards are doing a great job. David Stirland said that sidewalks are needed on 650 south. The road is narrow and there are many students that walk on that street. Superintendent Larry Bergeson mentioned the work that is being done to prepare and be proactive with the Coronavirus outbreak. It is anticipated that we will not need to close schools but are ready if closure is needed. Superintendent Larry

Bergeson said we have been growing at about 1,000 students a year. This past year we grew by 1,500 - 2,000 students. We will have to bond again because of the growth. The CT high school will go down to grade nine and will help with growth. The career paths have been determined after doing some surveys. Richard Holmes reported on students participating in online classes. Superintendent Larry Bergeson mentioned that we are now the sixth largest district in the state with approximately 35,000 students. There would have to be significant growth and it wouldn't really benefit the District to split. There are challenges with the growth and being so far from the Wasatch Front. David Stirland mentioned one frustration from the District with the bond not passing in Hurricane. Brent Bills said we need to help people understand that we are all in this together even when there are not specific projects in the community. Councilmember Kevin Tervort said they appreciate the mentality that the Board approaches for education with smaller buildings and a cap on enrollment. The education in Washington County is great. Superintendent Larry Bergeson said the smaller schools provide more opportunities for students and it helps so administration can know the students by name. Craig Hammer mentioned that the middle and intermediate schools are currently capped at 500 per class.

Board Member Cox presented a motion to go into a closed session at 1:20 p.m. Board Member Hesson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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CLOSED SESSION

Property and Personnel Items

Board Member Hutchinson presented a motion to go out of the closed session at 3:00 p.m. Board Member Seegmiller seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

WORK SESSION

At-Risk Definition – Richard Holmes

Richard Holmes said the definition was tweaked to bring clarity.

2020-2021 School Fee Schedule and School Spend Plans – Richard Holmes/Brent Bills

Richard Holmes said the schools are continuing to work on their spend plans. Schools are responding well. They are looking at the fee schedule to be more broad-based and accommodating. Brent Bills reviewed changes that included the max aggregate fee being increased to \$5000. It puts us in-line with other districts and responded to parent input to keep the aggregate high enough for students to not limit student participation. The fee for band, orchestra and choir cleaning fee includes repairs and replacement. Grad night also includes senior activities.

Insurance Discussion – Lyle Cox

Scott Stewart, GBS, shared a benefits executive summary from August 2019-January 2020. The District is currently trending at 86.3%. Last year the District was at 89%. Over 12 months, the change for subscribers and members shows a 5% increase. Under pharmacy there was one drug that kept the amount up. This year the District will get \$300,000 back in pharmaceutical. Claims are up 12.1% year-to-date. Shock claimants, over \$25,000, are down. The tighter formulary on prescriptions has helped. GBS feels the District is in a pretty good place and employees are happy with the insurance. The recommendation for next year would be a 3% increase. If the District were to go 4%, the money would still there for the District to use as they are self-funded. Lyle Cox said the District will maintain the 3 tier system. The Board needs to determine the percent of increase (3 or 4%) in premium and the amounts the District will pay and pass through to the employees. Brent Bills shared a spreadsheet with the insurance costs. The Board reviewed scenarios on the percent increase and proposals to determine what would be passed on to

employees. The consensus of the Board is to increase the insurance costs by 4%. Terry Hutchinson suggested passing more of the cost to employees on the traditional plan and continuing to pay a higher amount on the high deductible plan. Lyle Cox shared how different decisions could affect the total cost of the plan for the District. The Board looked at and discussed various options and increases.

Open/Closed Meeting Training – Brent Bills

Brent Bills said executive sessions are to be held at a regular location. The Board can't split the meeting into two locations. However, the Board is allowed to do site visits or tours. The Board may need to change their electronic meeting policy in the event that we can't have a quorum. Emergency meetings must have 24-hour notice and all members of the Board must be notified. There must be a quorum present. A vote of two-thirds must approve for a closed meeting and the Board may hold a closed meeting for specific purpose. Closed meetings can be held to talk about personnel, collective bargaining, imminent litigation, purchase/exchange/lease of property that keep us from getting best possible terms, sale of property, discussion regarding deployment of security devices or systems.

Board Member Blake presented a motion to go into a closed session at 4:19 p.m. Board Member Seegmiller seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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CLOSED SESSION

Collective Bargaining

Board Member Seegmiller presented a motion to go out of the closed session at 4:32 p.m. Board Member Cox seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

School Safety – Larry Bergeson

No reports were given.

2021-2022 Board Meeting Calendar Proposal – Larry Bergeson

Superintendent Larry Bergeson briefly reviewed the proposed meeting dates. Members of the Board suggested changing the March meeting to March 2, 2021 and the April meeting to April 6, 2021.

A Dixie High School visit has been scheduled for Friday at 7:30 a.m. LaRene Cox, Craig Seegmiller, and David Stirland are planning to attend.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD

- A. Healthy Dixie Update – Craig Seegmiller
- B. USBA Update – Becky Dunn
- C. MBA Update – Laura Hesson
- D. Dixie Tech Update – Terry Hutchinson
- E. Foundation Update – David Stirland
- F. FCAOG Update – LaRene Cox
- G. Audit Committee Update – Kelly Blake

Board members briefly reported on their areas. Becky Dunn mentioned the USBA Region Meeting scheduled for March 31.

ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW

- A. Enrollment
- B. Safe Schools

- C. GRAMA Requests
- D. Department Reports

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Washington County School District was held after due, legal, and timely notice being given to all members and interested parties. Board President David Stirland called the meeting to order and welcomed all visitors. Board members present were Craig Seegmiller Terry Hutchinson, Laura Hesson, Becky Dunn, Kelly Blake, and LaRene Cox. Staff members present were Superintendent Larry Bergeson and Business Administrator Brent Bills.

OPEN MEETING – 4:30 p.m.

Board President Welcome – President Stirland
Pledge of Allegiance – Member Hutchinson
Reverence – Member Blake

PUBLIC HEARING – BOND PROJECT ITEM CHANGE

The Washington County Board of Education will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 4:35 p.m. to receive public comment on a proposed change to the approved 2019-2023 Bond Projects that would change the priority of the Sandstone Elementary Playground Sunshades from the 2021 school year to the 2020 school year for completion.

Kelly Blake said the sunshades are for the safety of the students to keep them out of the direct sun. Becky Dunn mentioned that we have a contractor here doing the work, so it is saving the District money. Brent Bills said they are doing both the playground surfacing and sunshades at the same time. No public comments were given.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2020-2021 SCHOOL FEE SCHEDULE AND SCHOOL SPEND PLANS
The Washington County Board of Education will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 4:35 p.m. to receive public comment on a proposed 2020-2021 School Fee Schedule and School Spend Plans.

(Names of public speakers were recorded as heard and may not be correctly spelled.)

Travis Woodsworth, parent, said he was shocked at the amount of money being charged for students to attend public school when they moved here. He did not understand the reason for the fees. Students are charged a book rental fee, but don't even use a book in class. He is concerned about not knowing where the fees are going. Not everyone can afford for children to attend school. He would like better communication to better understand what the fees are for. He said the District needs to be more open as why the fees are necessary and what the funds are used for when children are required to attend school. He would like a better explanation. It is a lot for a family.

David Stirland said that the Board looks at the Fee Schedule and spends considerable time trying to keep the fees as low as possible. Brent Bills said now by law, schools are now required to have spend plans that explain exactly what the fees are spent for. Parents should be able to see exactly where the money is going. The textbook is for instructional technology and will explain where that money is going. The District is trying to push back with the schools to help keep the fees lower. The public will be able to see the detail of fees charged.

Brent Bills reviewed the changes to the Fee Schedule from the last public meeting. The aggregate fee of \$5000 includes the amount for fundraising. Cleaning fees for band, orchestra and choir also include the cost for repair and replacement of costumes and robes. The Grad Night fee also includes senior activity costs.

Heather Curl, parent, wondered about solution to fee waivers. She feels there is a real communication gap or disconnect between what teachers are hearing and saying. She also said it was reported in the last meeting that teachers are being told to work around specific fees.

Brent Bills said there has been a lot of communication with the principals and teachers in specific programs such as arts and CTE. Spend plans should be the working model for next year and teachers

should be using them to communicate with parents. David Stirland agreed that the District does need to help parents understand. Superintendent Larry Bergeson said we leave a lot to principals to communicate with teachers. Brent Bills said to help students with fee waivers, principals are going to have to find solutions and do fundraisers to help cover some of the costs. Schools will need to do a lot of fundraisers to help with the cost. That is what is meant by “working around that.” It means schools will need to look at things differently to help with those who can’t afford the fees. The District has tried to help principals find ways to help students fundraise some of the costs. Terry Hutchinson said it is a state mandate and judicial order and has taken time and effort to get to this point. It is a continuing process.

Ryan Adair, teacher, said he understands that there are two types of fundraisers. One for individual students, and one for group fundraisers that go for the whole program. Brent Bills explained that individual fundraisers can be given for students to help cover costs on the fee schedule. Group fundraisers provide an availability to raise funds for items not covered on the fee schedule.

Trever Coombs, parent, expressed appreciation for listening to parents and increasing max ceiling amount while trying to keep it as low as possible. He expressed concern about teachers having to come up with fundraising programs for students and with teachers having to spend days off to facilitate the fundraisers. He suggested that there is still disconnect and continuity is needed in running the fundraisers. He is satisfied with things running through the office but is concerned about funds not being accounted for properly when held off-site and feels it needs to be reemphasized with principals, so funds are accounted for. He said that schools also need to be careful about confidentiality and how far the information trickles down.

Brent Bills said we have spent time trying to make sure schools understand where the funds belong. We can’t do much to keep parents from creating their own events and have asked individuals or booster clubs not to use the school name. Schools have been told to make it clear where the money is going. Principals have also been instructed to have a contract when these groups are using the school to show the arms-length transaction. The District has met with groups to keep them in line and have worked with attorneys to order cease and desist. Terry Hutchinson also mentioned that if boosters misuse and have lack of control, the program they are trying to support can be terminated. Superintendent Larry Bergeson said one concern is that we don’t keep students from participating in programs that they are interested in participating with.

PUBLIC HEARING – ELEMENTARY BOUNDARY CHANGES

The Washington County Board of Education will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 4:35 p.m. to receive public comment on a proposed changes to the Majestic Fields Elementary boundary for 2020-2021 with the opening of the new South Mesa Elementary School.

Rex Wilkey and Nate Esplin shared the proposed elementary boundary map. Students south of 2450 South and east of 3000 East would attend South Mesa Elementary School. The changes would move about 500 students. Next year there will be additional adjustments to boundaries with another elementary school opening. Meetings have been held with parents. No public comments were given.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes
 - 1. February 11, 2020 Meeting of the Board of Education
 - 2. February 24, 2020 Special Meeting of the Board of Education
- B. Financial Report
- C. Personnel Items
- D. Sunrise Ridge Intermediate TSSA Plan Change
- E. Hurricane High School TSSA Plan Change

Board Member Blake presented a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items A through E. Board Member Hesson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BOARD ACTION ITEMS

No public comments were given.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Bond Priority Change of the Sandstone Elementary Playground Sunshades from the 2021 School Year to the 2020 School Year for Completion

Board Member Seegmiller presented a motion to approve the Bond Priority Change of the Sandstone Elementary Playground Sunshades from the 2021 School Year to the 2020 School Year for Completion. Board Member Dunn seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Policy 2980 Commercial Exhibits (Recommendation to Delete) – Lyle Cox

Lyle Cox explained that the policy is in conflict with the Parental Rights Act and is outdated. He has received no comments.

Board Member Hutchinson presented a motion to delete Policy 2980 Commercial Exhibits. Board Member Seegmiller seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Policy 1331 Year-Round School Teacher Trade Days (Recommendation to Delete) – Lyle Cox

Lyle Cox the policy is obsolete.

Board Member Hutchinson presented a motion to delete Policy 1331 Year-Round School Teacher Trade Days. Board Member Seegmiller seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Policy 3630 Student Activities – Michael Lee

Michael Lee said the amendment to the policy removes the language of specificity for activities. All activities that present inherent risk to staff or students need to be reviewed. The policy also added the three exclusions from the state policy regarding trampolines, fireworks, and bonfires.

Board Member Cox presented a motion to approve Policy 3630 Student Activities. Board Member Blake seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Policy 5210 Use of School Buildings and Facilities by Community Agencies (Recommendation to Delete) – Craig Hammer

Richard Holmes said the policy is a duplicate policy and recommended deletion. Policy 5200 is the current updated policy.

Board Member Blake presented a motion to delete Policy 5210 Use of School Buildings and Facilities by Community Agencies. Board Member Hutchinson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

At-Risk Definition Change – Richard Holmes

Richard Holmes explained that the change brings more clarity. The definition is tied to funding. It is a combination of many different things and could relate to language, mental health or special needs. There are many avenues to help these students. We are not targeting one specific group of students.

The purpose is to help students graduate and be well prepared to carry on after graduation.

Board Member Hutchinson presented a motion to approve the At-Risk Definition change. Board Member Blake seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Elementary Boundary Changes – Rex Wilkey

Rex Wilkey proposed that the Board accept the boundary change for South Mesa Elementary as explained earlier.

Board Member Seegmiller presented a motion to approve the Elementary Boundary change. Board Member Hutchinson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Medical Insurance – Lyle Cox

Lyle Cox reported on the recommended percentage of increase will be 4% next year. Employee contributions will adjust slightly. The high deductible plan will continue to have 96.6% covered by the

District which will keep the premium essential the same for employees on the high deductible plan. The District will contribute 87% to the traditional plan, which is a 1% increase for employees on the traditional plan. The increase translates to an amount of \$237.51 for the family plan. Terry Hutchinson feels that the District contribution should be lower but supports the plan. Craig Seegmiller said the Board has discussed and studied and looked at options to make the best decision. Kelly Blake pointed out that insurance in the private sector it is usually a 75/25 split. The District does everything they can to have a rich benefit program for employees. Terry Hutchinson said the extra 1% increase will be used to the benefit of employees.

Board Member Seegmiller presented a motion to approve the District Medical Insurance for next year as explained. Board Member Blake seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Policy 2120 Corporal Punishment – Karen Bess

Karen Bess said the policy was originally presented in August. She reviewed changes that include a change to the title of the policy to Prohibition of Corporal Punishment. The policy has been reviewed by legal counsel. It has also been vetted by school administration. Information in this policy was originally part of the Safe Schools Policy. Emergency safety sections have been added to the policy. Terry Hutchinson encouraged the public to look at the policy online. It gives better guidance to protect students and staff. Karen Bess said it explains how schools can restrain a child. LaRene Cox suggested under section 3.2 it should say that the school shall immediately notify parent then says no later than the end of the school day and not give leeway to wait until the end of the day. Karen Bess said the time of restraint makes the difference on how soon notification must be made. Terry Hutchinson suggested it should include as soon as possible as the parent may not be available. The policy does not apply to SROs. Under section 3.9 it states that information will be reported in the student information system and must include restraints and will be added. Becky Dunn suggested flipping the title for a different focus.

Policy 1700 Conducting an Administrative Investigation – Karen Bess

Karen Bess said Policy 1700 included many policies. Student Services became involved as under section 3.6 it requires verification to make sure it is right student. There have been situations where there may be students with the same name, and we need to make sure the right student is investigated. Another suggestion came up to make sure that the policy has good definition of difference between informal questioning/interviewing and interrogation. The principals and assistant principals were notified of the proposed policy changes and the policy has been reviewed by representatives of the Police Department. School misconduct is questioned by a school administrator. An SRO can be present, but they are not the one questioning. When it turns criminal it become a law enforcement issue. Under section 3.6.5, recommendations were received from the Police Department that the SRO may be present but may not question. Many of the assistant principals like having them present. Terry Hutchinson suggested that the Board may need to look at that. LaRene Cox pointed out that having SRO there can help to know if it is a criminal act. Terry Hutchinson said it could impose on Miranda Rights. Administrators don't have to give Miranda Rights. When being questioned and disciplined, we need to be careful not to cross the line. Larry Bergeson mentioned that the SROs are there in the school and have strong influence on schools. They encourage and support students. They are present and often communicate with students. Terry Hutchinson said we need to make sure the lines are clearly defined. There may be parents that are concerned just having them being present. The SROs do help a lot and can help head off a lot of problems. Karen Bess said HB 239 and HB 132 helped to shift the role of SROs in the school.

Policy 6000 Purchasing and Advertising – Brent Bills

Brent Bills said there have been some issues with documents received to make orders on editable forms which have created audit problems. The change to the policy states that final document must not be in an editable or sharable version. Section 3.1.20 was added to explain that electronic file working copies can be editable, but the final must copy must not be able to be edited. Terry Hutchinson suggested adding that acceptable format include, but not limited to allow for other formats that become available.

INFORMATION

Student Achievement – Accelerated Math Results – Dr. Brad Ferguson

Dr. Brad Ferguson reviewed the math pathways and progress from 7th through 12th grades. He shared a document that shows the regular secondary math track, an honors track, and a consolidated accelerated math sequence. The pathways expand opportunities for students. The document also shared the current count of students participating. Of the 2541 students in 7th grade, 2117 are in the Math 7 program, 158 are in the Honors Math 7 program, and 214 are in the Consolidated Math 7 program, which accounts for 98% of the students. The 8th grade numbers only account for 93%. The other 7% are Special Education students not taking grade level courses, some students are retaking classes, or they are doing their own acceleration or taking courses online. Online students are not included in the numbers. There are 90% in the 9th grade, 82% in 10th grade, and 65% in 11th grade. By 11th grade students are starting to branch in their own trajectory of what they want to do. Craig Seegmiller said not much has been discussed about the consolidated program. Dr. Brad Ferguson said this is only the second year that intermediate schools involved in the math consolidated accelerated. All schools are participating. Craig Seegmiller pointed out that it is good as there were many years that students did not even reach calculus. It can help jump kids further down the path. Dr. Brad Ferguson said that the consolidated accelerated path is a referral track. It is for students who have a different mindset and get homework done.

Dr. Brad Ferguson shared live data through the Rise testing system. He shared that 214 students took the Accelerated Math 7 assessment in February. Of the group all but 2% were proficient or highly proficient. Math 8 shows a similar pattern. Schools can pull up the data to see the content areas and see how students performed generally on the content standards. Teachers can use the information to help them focus more on lower proficient areas.

What's Right in WCSD Schools

- 1. LaVerkin Elementary School – Steve Leavenworth**
- 2. Hurricane Intermediate School – Brad Christensen**

Steven Leavenworth shared a video showing what's right at LaVerkin Elementary. Some of the things recognized were the DIBELS growth, the reading goal of 20,000 books that has already been reached with 23,345 books read, reading challenges for bikes, yoga club, chess club, leadership activities, safety actions, celebrations, and the wellness room. LaVerkin Elementary is loved for their synergy and doing what is best for students, the teacher for all that they do, the playground, fun activities and fieldtrips, the administration and staff that do anything for students. Students know they can be leaders in the community and are praised for what they do.

Brad Christensen shared data from Hurricane Intermediate School. The students are doing great. The mission at Hurricane Intermediate School is to have high achieving, well-rounded students. There are 36 students in 7th grade participating in the Consolidated Accelerated Math 7 program. Thirty-four of those students scored four on the assessment. The other two students were just a few points under a four rating. Some of the successes shared included the Lego Teams qualifying for state, orchestra received a superior rating, school basketball teams had MVPs, 1/3 of the students involved in leadership with Hope Squad, student government, yearbook staff, student aides, and peer mediators.

The data shared shows growth in the students following interventions. Language Arts shows 24.8% growth, Math with an 18.4% growth, and Science with a 34.9%. Teams are coming up with creative ways to teach when students don't get it the first time. The overall growth of students after interventions was 26.2% with 2901 total interventions. He also shared data on the Wellness Center. They average 9.1 student attending on a daily. After 10 minutes students are able to center themselves and get back to class. Reasons students visit the wellness room are because students are angry, anxious, frustrated, sad, scared, worried, have physical ailments, or are stressed. The Wellness Center and other programs are helping the students. There are about 780 students enrolled this year.

REPORTS

Superintendent

Superintendent Larry Bergeson recognized some of the successes in the Arts program. He noted that the jazz bands recently participated in the Region 9 competition. Snow Canyon High and Crimson Cliffs

High qualified for state. Outstanding awards were given to the saxophones at Snow Canyon High. Rob Schmidt reported on Region Band and Orchestra Solo and Ensemble. Our schools had 46 solo or ensemble qualified to go to state. Tomorrow is the Vocal Solo and Ensemble we expect more to qualify. This year there were 24 middle school students and 14 high school students from Washington County were qualified to participate in the All-state Orchestra. Students audition individually.

Superintendent Larry Bergeson reported that Melissa Lane was recognized with the UESP Student advocate of year award. Nadine Hancey was recognized as a Principal of the Year finalist.

Superintendent Larry Bergeson reported on work to be proactive for dealing with Coronavirus and other illnesses. The District has been putting things in place and continues to disinfect in the schools. There has been a lot of focus in the District and in the county. He has been meeting with health department leaders, city leaders, hospital leaders, and the police department. The District does not anticipate that there will be a need to close schools but is prepared if we need to do so. There is a lot of collaboration and work being done.

Superintendent Larry Bergeson mentioned that the Dixie High School Boys Basketball team won the State 4A championship. The Pine View High School Girls Basketball team also did well and took second place.

Superintendent Larry Bergeson mentioned the Foundation Grant Award presentations to recognize teachers. The Foundation has awarded 240 grants at about \$220,000. Teachers are emotional and the students cheer for their teachers when the grants are presented. Steven Dunham said they work around the sponsor schedules to present. Having the sponsors involved has encouraged some of them to give more.

Superintendent Larry Bergeson said that the legislators have been great to work with this year and funding looks good at this point. The funding will be good for teachers, recruiting, allow for training, and provide for students.

Board

David Stirland mentioned that members of the Board spend a significant amount of time with legislative sessions and participating in other meetings and additional assignments.

Association

No reports were given.

PTA/PTO/Community Council

No reports were given.

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – 3 minutes each

No public comments were given.

Board President David Stirland adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m. as there was no further business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT