

Minutes of Study Session and Regular Meeting

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

A Study Session and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Ogden City School District was held Thursday, October 22, 2020 beginning at 5:30 PM in the Henry Barker Board Room. The following were present when the meeting convened:

Members present:

Don E. Belnap, President
Joyce Wilson, Vice President
Douglas B. Barker
Nancy Blair
Susan Richards
Jeremy Shinoda (*virtually*)
Jennifer Zundel (*virtually*)

Staff present:

Dr. Rich K. Nye, Superintendent
Zane K. Woolstenhulme, Business Administrator
Paula Bosgieter, Executive Assistant
Mike Hipwell, IT Department (*virtually*)
Sondra Jolovich-Motes, Equity and Access (*virtually*)
Jessica Bennington, Human Resource (*virtually*)

Study Session, 5:30 p.m.

1. Review of Board Meeting Agenda

Celebrating Student Achievement

- Students of the Month: Jer Bates will take the lead on presentations.

Consent Calendar

- There were no questions regarding the Consent Calendar. Item 10.g. will be moved to the Consent Calendar.

Public Participation:

- No one has signed up in advance.

Committee Reports

- Policy & Law: has met and will report.
- Student Achievement: nothing to report.
- Budget, Finance, and Facilities: has met and will report.

Increasing Student Achievement

- 10.a. Adopt School Name for new school to replace Horace Mann: Jer Bates will take the lead on this item.
- 10.b. Medical Forensics Course at Ogden High School: there were no questions regarding this item.
- 10.c. Schools Fiber Upgrades: Mike Hipwell is presenting on this item in place of Casey Bowden. Various dates for last fiber upgrades per location, at least seven or more years ago except for New Bridge. The board agreed to move this item to the Consent Calendar.
- 10.d. ELD Software Systems: Sondra Jolovich-Motes provided additional information regarding this request for software for EL learners. The board agreed to move this item to the Consent Calendar.
- 10.e. Board Policy Revisions - 2nd Reading: Policy language included to be in compliance with Title IX. The board agreed to move this item to the Consent Calendar.
- 10.f. Board Policy Revisions - 1st Reading: Public Participation policy revisions allow participants to sign up at the board meeting or in advance. Suggestion to rephrase to be more welcoming and also consider participation in a virtual setting. Safety Program policy revisions to prohibit use of maintenance vehicles when students are present; code references in this policy need to be updated. Activities on school district policy was reviewed with no recommended changes, code reference applies to colleges and universities so may not apply unless it informed our policy.
- 10.g. James Madison LAND Trust Amendment: The board agreed to move this item to the Consent Calendar.
- 10.h. Keeping Ogden Healthy: Superintendent Nye will give an update.

President Belnap called for a brief recess at 5:55 p.m. to reconvene in the regular meeting.

Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Visitors

President Belnap called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The board agreed that items 10.c., 10.d., 10.e., and 10.g. under Increasing Student Achievement will be moved to the Consent Calendar. The following were present when the meeting convened:

Members present:

Don E. Belnap, President
Joyce Wilson, Vice President
Douglas B. Barker
Nancy Blair
Susan Richards
Jeremy Shinoda (*virtually*)
Jennifer Zundel (*virtually*)

Staff present:

Dr. Rich K. Nye, Superintendent
Zane K. Woolstenhulme, Business Administrator
Paula Bosgieter, Executive Assistant
Jer Bates, Public Information Officer (*virtually*)
Carrie Maxson, Equity and Access (*virtually*)
Tim Peters, Career and Technical Education (*virtually*)
Jessica Bennington, Human Resource (*virtually*)

2. Reverence

Presenter: Sondra Jolovich-Motes, Equity and Access

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Presenter: Karen Harrop, Special Education

4. Celebrating Student Achievement

a. Students of the Month

Four outstanding high school students were recognized as students of the month from their respective high schools. They each received a framed certificate of achievement and Ogden School District pin.

b. Superintendent's Celebration

Dr. Nye shared the following celebrations with the board:

- Art display in the board room highlights the talent of our students; Carrie Maxson explained each piece of artwork from George Washington and Ben Lomond High Schools. Visual Arts teachers received a grant for the arts from the Browning Foundation through the Ogden School Foundation. Art kits have been donated through our community partners and the Foundation so every elementary student taking art can have their own art kit. We celebrate our students and the teachers who inspire them to grow this talent.
- Declaration from Governor Herbert declaring October 2020 as School Principal Recognition Month, in honor of all they do to support our students.

5. Consent Calendar

Board members have reviewed board materials, including items listed on the Consent Calendar. The board agreed to move Increasing Student Achievement action items 10.c., 10.d., 10.e., and 10.g. to the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: Susan Richards moved to approve the consent calendar as amended. Seconded by Douglas B. Barker. The motion carried unanimously.

- a. Recommended Personnel Actions provided by the human resource director and recommended by the superintendent were approved.
- b. Board Financial Reports for September 2020 were provided by the business administrator and were approved.
- c. Minutes for the board meetings held September 17, 2020 and October 1, 2020 were approved as written.
- d. Approval: Lincoln Elementary LAND Trust Plan Budget Amendment was approved.

6. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Nye gave a report to the board regarding a change in procedure for the use of teacher coverage slips. Recognizing the hard work in which teachers are engaged and shortage of substitutes, the district has seen an increase in the use of teacher coverage in our buildings. Teachers earn coverage slips when they cover a class with an unfilled substitute. Many times these coverage slips go unused. Effective next month, all coverage slips accrued will be submitted by November 15 and will be documented in ALIO as accrued leave. Any unused leave will be paid out semi-annually in June and December at the teacher's regular daily rate. Board members asked questions and Dr. Nye responded.

System-wide Accreditation process was discussed and our review will be held on November 1-5,

2020. Board members will participate in Focus Group interviews on November 2. The review team from Cognia will provide feedback on areas that we are doing well and areas where we can improve.

Ogden High Girls Soccer just won their semi-final game tonight and will play in the state championship game at Rio Tinto Stadium.

7. Business Administrator's Report

Mr. Woolstenhulme gave a report to the board regarding the number of students attending charter schools and district enrollment. We have approximately 3,245 students attending charter schools and our school enrollment counts are down from projections by approximately 700 students. Funding will not be affected this year but may have an impact on funding for next year.

Budget, Finance, and Facilities Committee discussed risk assessment regarding the audit and one requirement is for board members to complete training on the state auditor website. Board members are encouraged to complete this training, which takes approximately one hour. Board members asked questions and Dr. Nye responded regarding funding impacts due to decreased enrollment.

8. Board Committee Reports

a. Policy and Law Committee

Chair Wilson reported the committee met and discussed policy submitted for 2nd reading. There was no additional feedback from board members regarding the policy revisions for board policy on harassment, intimidation and bullying. Policy revisions for 1st reading will be taken back to committee to address issues and brought for approval in November.

b. Student Achievement Committee

Nothing to report.

c. Budget, Finance and Facilities Committee

Chair Barker reported the committee met and discussed generators in schools in case of power outages. Annual financial report was reviewed with the committee and audit report will be presented to the board in December.

9. Public Participation

There was no public participation at this meeting.

10. Increasing Student Achievement

a. Action Item: Adopt School Name for new school at 1300 9th Street as East Ridge Elementary

Mr. Bates gave a presentation to the board regarding adopting a name for the school to replace Horace Mann Elementary. The name East Ridge Elementary has been selected and through a survey, the community has identified Raptors as the preferred mascot for the new school. Color scheme will remain red, white, and black. Action adopting the school name was tabled until more input can be collected from the community. This item will be voted upon in the November 5 work session.

b. Action Item: Medical Forensics Course at Ogden High School

Mr. Peters gave a presentation to the board regarding a new Medical Forensics course to be offered at Ogden High School next year. Board members asked questions and Mr. Peters responded. Mr. Peters also shared the CTE booklet on the district website outlining all CTE courses and pathways offered in our district.

MOTION: Board member Douglas B. Barker moved to approve the Medical Forensics Course at Ogden High School, seconded by Nancy Blair. The motion carried unanimously.

c. Action Item: Schools Fiber Upgrades- Erate 2020. This item was moved to the Consent Calendar and approved.

d. Action Item: ELD Software Systems. This item was moved to the Consent Calendar and approved.

e. Action Item: Board Policy Revisions [2nd Reading]. This item was moved to the Consent Calendar and approved.

f. Action Item: Board Policy Revisions [1st Reading]

Ms. Bennington gave a report to the board regarding recommended policy revisions for first reading:

- 1.103 Public Participation at Board Meetings: suggestion to make public participation more friendly and community knows how to participate, committee will review with further revisions; once policy is finalized get feedback from PTA, Community Councils, and school administrators;

- 4.100 Safety Program: recommendation from risk management to include policy on when we use motorized equipment so we can ensure the safety of our students;
- 4.102 Activities on School District Properties: reviewed with comments, no recommended changes to policy but committee will review reference to Utah Code.

MOTION: Board member Joyce Wilson moved to approve policy revisions on first reading with noted comments and concerns for review in the next committee meeting. Seconded by Jeremy Shinoda. The motion carried unanimously.

g. Action Item: James Madison LAND Trust Plan Budget - Increased Distribution. This item was moved to the Consent Calendar and approved.

h. Information Item: Keeping Ogden Healthy Update
Dr. Nye gave a report to the board regarding Keeping Ogden Healthy. We currently have 19 active COVID-19 positive cases and 257 quarantined students. Of quarantined students, there are 84 elementary with an average of seven students per school and 173 secondary with average of 29 students per school. These numbers change daily and we are monitoring the effect on students and teachers. We are honoring our employees as professionals and meeting the needs our students.

On Oct 8, we received new guidance on adjusted quarantine protocols from the state health department which provides for a shortened quarantine time if specific conditions are met, allowing quarantined individuals to return after 7 days instead of 14 days. Weber County has moved to the high transmission status under the new protocols and we will continue to follow guidance from the state health department. We are grateful for the hard work in our schools and community in keeping the numbers down. Dr. Nye will keep the board informed of any changes that would affect our schools.

Adjourn

President Belnap adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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

President

Business Administrator