

Grand County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2021
5:15 p.m.

Attending: Melissa Byrd, Kathy Williams, Britnie Ellis, Ariel Atkins, Steve Kennedy.

Also Attending: Superintendent Taryn Kay, Business Administrator Pat Wilson, Administrative Assistant Ashley Bunton.

Audience: Jill Tatton, Amanda Knill, Cayden Black, Diego Winn, Pat Pakkarato, Liam Clark, Alex Mascaro, Lillian Scott, Kaistin Oliver, Laird Clark. Electronic: Anna Conrad, Cari Caylor, Mary Marable, Miranda Black, Libby Bailey.

Meeting brought to order by Melissa Byrd at 5:16 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Taryn Kay.

I. Reading of the Mission Statement by Kathy Williams: Our Mission is to put each student first every day.

II. Public Comments: None.

III. Staff and Community Reports:

a. Board Recognitions – DECA Region Champs!

GCHS DECA Club was recognized by the board for their accomplishments and region championship. Student Diego Winn, DECA Club President, introduced each of the club members. Members were presented with certificates from the board.

b. Student Body President Report: None.

c. Board Committee Reports:

- Clinical Safety: Steve said work was completed at the recent meeting to finish updating the emergency response plan. Training will be at each school site.
- Discipline: Ariel said the discipline guide was reviewed at the recent discipline meeting to ensure it is up-to-date.
- DTL: Kathy: None.
- Evaluations: Britnie said regular meetings will continue.
- Facilities: Britnie and Steve. Pat said a community group would like to meet with the facilities committee to talk more about developing a plan for a pickleball court on the high school property.
- Finance: Kathy said the finance committee reviewed financial reports, accounts, taxes, and budgets.
- Negotiations: Melissa said committee is continuing to review certified employee policies. Negotiations team is reviewing the 4100 policies and Section D policies per Utah Code and any updates will be presented to the board for final approval.

- Nutrition: Kathy said the nutrition subcommittee of the wellness committee met and talked about foods, healthy snacks, and developing educational nutrition information for parents.
- Professional Development: Ariel said the next meeting is on Feb. 25.
- Prevention: Melissa added prevention committee to board reports.

d. Business Administrator Report

Pat Wilson updated the board on recent work in the district's business office. Pat reviewed his report with the board included in the board packet.

e. Community Coordinator Report

Amanda Knill updated the board with her report included in the board packet.

Amanda reviewed her continuing work on school district priorities.

f. Principal Reports

- Sherrie Buckingham updated the board with her report in the board packet about Grand Preschool and the Special Education program. Sherrie included enrollment and graduation rates and action steps to meet goals.
- Helen M. Knight Elementary Principal Jill Tatton updated the board with the report included in the board packet. Jill reviewed highlights of recent activities at the school and enrollment, conferences and testing.
- Middle School Principal Cari Caylor updated the board on the report contained in the board packet. Cari reviewed events, enrollment and students of the month.
- High School Principal Dr. Mary Marable updated the board with her report in the board packet. Mary reviewed student achievements, clubs, activities and sports.

IV. Information Items

a. Schools/Covid-19 Update

Superintendent Taryn Kay updated the board on the schools, vaccination rates for Covid-19, Covid-19 funding. High school is in the early pre-planning stage for prom and graduation, looking at holding prom later in May. More information will become available as the high school works on the plans.

b. Taryn updated the board on bills filed by the Utah Legislature and included a report in the board packet highlighting the bills pertaining to education.

V. Consent Agenda

- Britnie Ellis made a motion to approve the consent agenda, not including the personnel list in the consent agenda. Ariel Atkins seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0, motion passed.
- Britnie Ellis made a motion to approve the personnel list. Steve Kennedy seconded the motion. Discussion: Kathy Williams recused. Vote: 4-0, Kathy Williams abstained. Motion passed.

VI. Action Items

a. Steve Kennedy made a motion to add a Professional Development day to the district calendar for April 26. Discussion: None. Vote: 5-0, motion passed.

b. Britnie Ellis made a motion to post the draft 2021-22 GCSD Calendar for review. Kathy Williams seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote: 5-0, motion passed.

VII. Communications

Steve: Education Foundation update: The foundation approved one grant request made to the Education Foundation for a weather balloon project.

Britnie: None.

Kathy: None.

Ariel: None.

Melissa: Went to a 100+ Women meeting. Proposals were discussed at that meeting and the group voted to fund the middle school program proposal.

VIII. Advanced Planning

Board reviewed upcoming meeting dates and events. Agenda planning will take place at 9:00 a.m. on March 5. On March 17 there will be a public hearing for the budget.

IX. Executive Session: None.

X. Actions Items as per Executive Session: None.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Britnie Ellis. Steve Kennedy seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.