# **Minutes of Work Session**

# Board of Education Ogden City School District

1950 Monroe Boulevard, Ogden Utah

A Work Session of the Board of Education of Ogden City School District was held Thursday, March 4, 2021 beginning at 5:00 PM in the Henry Barker Board Room. The following were present when the meeting convened:

#### **Members:**

Jennifer Zundel, President
Joyce Wilson, Vice President
Amber Allred ~ virtually
Arlene Anderson
Douglas B. Barker ~ absent
Nancy Blair
Susan Richards

## Staff:

Dr. Rich K. Nye, Superintendent Zane K. Woolstenhulme, Business Administrator Paula Bosgieter, Executive Assistant Ken Crawford, Support Services ~ virtually Jer Bates, Public Information Officer Janis Vause, Ogden School Foundation

### **Work Session**

1. Report: Construction and BDK Project Management

Ken Crawford, Support Services, gave a report to the board regarding the Ben Lomond Health and PE facility construction project. Most of the work is concentrated on the northwest side of the property, on the concessions building and dugouts. Ogden has been asked to be the backup location to host one of the age groups for the national fast-pitch softball tournament and Ben Lomond may be selected to host the tournament in July. The soccer field should be ready for the fall soccer season.

Chris Kartchner, BDK, gave a report to the board regarding the bond projects.

- East Ridge substantial completion date of June 1; magnetic whiteboards installed in classrooms to make walls writeable surfaces; existing building will be demolished during the summer;
- Polk and TO Smith are moving along quickly;
- All projects are at or slightly ahead of schedule.

Mr. Kartchner responded to questions from board members regarding issues with work force due to multiple projects going on with limited work force.

- 2. Discussion: T.O. Smith Construction Feedback Survey Followup Jer Bates, Public Information Officer, gave an update to the board regarding the T.O. Smith construction feedback survey. Over 200 individuals have responded to the survey with an increase in student participation during the past 24 hours. Superintendent Nye and Mr. Bates responded to questions from board members. Mr. Crawford responded to questions regarding timing for decisions on name change, mascot, and color selections. This item will be on the agenda on March 18 for discussion and action regarding name change considerations.
- 3. Action Item: Naming of Community School Student and Family Resource Center at James Madison Janis Vause, Ogden School Foundation, gave a report to the board regarding consideration of naming the community resource center at James Madison. Ms. Vause introduced Danette Pulley, MarketStar Foundation, to board members. Community members have contributed to name the center and the four indoor spaces, namely: MarketStar, Get Air Entertainment, Suzanne Lindquist & Family, Young Automotive Group, and Powell Foundation. Mr. Crawford shared information regarding the progress with the family center. Ms. Vause shared that a private foundation through the Salt Lake Education Foundation is also donating \$100,000 for food and hygiene items and Rich and Kathy Peterson are donating \$50,000 for a permanent endowment fund. Ogden School Foundation will also contribute \$25,000 to the permanent endowment fund as well. It is proposed to change the name of the resource center to MarketStar Student Resource Center. Board members commented and asked questions and Ms. Vause and Ms. Pulley responded. Superintendent Nye thanked our community partners and donors for this project to benefit the families and students of Ogden.

**MOTION:** Motion to approve the proposed name change for the center at James Madison to MarketStar Student Resource Center. This motion, made by Nancy Blair and seconded by Joyce Wilson, Passed.

Amber Allred: Yea, Arlene Anderson: Yea, Douglas B. Barker: Absent, Nancy Blair: Yea, Susan Richards: Yea, Joyce Wilson: Yea, Jennifer Zundel: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

4. Discussion: Proposed 2021-2022 Student Fee Schedule

Superintendent Nye gave a presentation to the board regarding the proposed 2021-2022 student fee schedule, which must be approved by the board by April 1. A survey has been circulated to our community to collect feedback and comments from the public, which will be shared with the board on March 18 and read into the public record during that meeting. All fees listed on the fee schedule are subject to fee waivers. Dr. Nye responded to questions from board members regarding the spend plans, difficulty in finding the student fee schedule on our district website, amount of money collected through fundraisers to offset student fees, and information on fee waivers.

- 5. Public Comment Regarding Proposed 2021-2022 Student Fee Schedule There was no public comment at this meeting.
- 6. Report: Legislative Update

Superintendent Nye gave an update on the legislative session which ends on Friday, March 5, and reviewed bill tracking through the legislature website. HB381 Grow Your Own has passed and we are excited about the opportunities this will provide for our employees interested in becoming school teachers or counselors. Several bills were discussed and their status was reviewed. Dr. Nye responded to questions from board members. There have been a lot of investments in public education this session including a 6% increase on the WPU. Once the session is completed and we receive the legislative summary, our Policy & Law committee will review to determine if any board policies need to be updated.

7. Discussion: Board Master Planning

Superintendent Nye led a discussion with the board regarding board master planning and provided an overview of the Capital Facility Finance Plan and Land Use. The district owns four vacant properties where Edison, Grandview, Lynn elementary schools were located and one lot on North Jackson Avenue. Dr. Nye gave an overview of aging properties and cost for repairs needed. Discussion ensued regarding projects and considerations for aging buildings. Hillcrest, Bonneville, and James Madison will be our remaining aging elementary buildings once the current bond projects are completed. It was noted that the roof on Heritage Elementary School is failing and needs to be replaced. Proposed course of action is to create a committee and contract with a professional demographer to help inform long-term planning. Dr. Nye and Mr. Woolstenhulme responded to questions from board members regarding timeline; building capacity calculations taking into account space needed for interventions, testing, and other services; and the opportunity for a personalized learning facility on the Ogden Weber Tech College campus.

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

President Zundel adjourned the meeting a	at 7:34 p.m.
	President
	Business Administrator