

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SALT LAKE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting

October 19, 2021

The Board of Education of Salt Lake City School District met in a Board Meeting and Closed Executive Session at 5:31 p.m. on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 440 East 100 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Melissa Ford, Vice President Nate Salazar, Mohamed Baayd, Katherine Kennedy, Jenny Sika arriving at 6:55 p.m. , Kristi Swett arriving at 5:33 p.m., and Bryce Williams.

Members Excused: Yahdira Garcia, Student Member

Also Present: Timothy Gadson, Superintendent; Alan Kearsley, Business Administrator; Gwendolyn Johnson-White; Associate Superintendent; Kristina Kindl, Executive Director of Policy and Legal Services; Logan Hall, Executive Director of Human Resource Services; Tiffany Hall, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning; Leeson Taylor, Executive Director of School Leadership and Performance; Sandra Buendia, Executive Director of Educational Equity and Student Services; Paul Schulte, Executive Director of Auxiliary Services; Emily Sutherland, Director of Social and Emotional Learning; Christy Hart, Director of Finance; Sam Quantz, Chief Information Officer; Theresa Mbaku, Director of I-Certified; James Tobler, representing the Salt Lake Education Association; Dallin Miller, representing the Salt Lake Association of School Administrators; Cindy Mills, representing the Salt Lake Educational Office Personnel Association; Bee Alonso, representing the Child Nutrition Employees Association; Chaylee Olson, Representing the Building & Grounds Employees Association; Cindee Davis, Representing the Transportation Employees Association, and others viewing online.

In accordance with the agenda prepared for the Board Meeting of October 19, 2021, two motions were made. Items are reported as listed in the agenda and not necessarily in the order they were considered.

The meeting was called to order by President Ford, who presided.

1. PUBLIC MEETING OPENS
2. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSIONS
 - A. Litigation; Negotiations; and/or Property

There was no Closed Executive Session to consider litigation; negotiations; and/or property.

B. Character, Professional Competence, or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual; and/or Deployment of Security Personnel, Devices, or Systems

At 5:31 p.m. a motion was made, after which members conducted the meeting off-line:

*(1) That the board meet in Closed Executive Session to consider character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; and/or Deployment of Security Personnel, Devices, or Systems. The motion was approved with a vote of 5 to 0 with Board members Swett and Sika not there at the time of the vote.
 **(Kennedy and Baayd)

VOTE RECORD	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
BAAYD	X		
FORD	X		
KENNEDY	X		
SALAZAR	X		
SIKA			1,2
SWETT	2		1
WILLIAMS	X		
A Absent	Ab Abstention	F Failed	
N "No" Vote	NA No Action	T Tabled	
W Withdrawn	*Unanimous Approval		
**Members Making Motion			

Present for Closed Executive Session for litigation; negotiations; and/or property were, Melissa Ford, Nate Salazar, Mohamed Baayd, Katherine Kennedy, Bryce Williams, Kirsti Swett, Timothy Gadson, Alan Kearsley, Kristina Kindl, and Emily Sutherland.

3. BOARD MEETING CONVENES

4. BOARD STUDY SESSION

A. OPENING ITEMS

1. Welcome

President Ford welcomed everyone to the meeting. She recognized James Tobler, representing the Salt Lake Education Association; Dallin Miller, representing the Salt Lake Association of School Administrators; Cindy Mills, representing the Salt Lake Educational Office Personnel Association; Bee Alonso, representing the Child Nutrition Employees Association; Chaylee Olson, Representing the Building & Grounds Employees Association; Cindee Davis, Representing the Transportation Employees Association.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Theresa Mbaku, Director of I-Certified, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Recognitions

Superintendent Gadson recognized three teachers and one student for their outstanding achievements.

- a. John Arthur, Utah Teacher Fellow- Meadowlark Elementary
- b. Laleh Ghobi, Utah Teacher Fellow-Riley Elementary School
- c. Kelly Kaakenson, Utah Teacher Fellow- Salt Lake Center for Science Education
- d. Anna Gurgel, Utah FCCLA Executive Council, Vice President of Competitive Events

B. CONSENT AGENDA

*(2) A motion was made that the board approve the four items included in the Consent Agenda. These items are listed below. The motion was approved with a vote of 6 to 0 with Board member Sika not there at the time of the vote.

** (Kennedy and Swett)

1. The Purchasing/Accounting Reports
 - a. Purchasing Report
 - b. *Purchasing Report in Excel Format*
2. Highland High-Student Trip
3. West High-Student Trip
4. Recommendations for Case #22-017

Prior to voting President Ford noted the cost per student fee has changed from \$1500.00 to \$900.00 for the West High School Student Trip. A copy of the change has been added to the Official Minutes.

C. STUDY TOPICS

1. Fall Enrollment

Sam Quantz, Chief Information Officer, shared with the board the Fall Enrollment Report. He explained what information was used to create the reports. Mr. Quantz discussed some of the enrollment number changes and answered questions from the board.

2. Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase

Alan Kearsley, Business Administrator, shared what qualifies as a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase. He answered questions from the board.

3. 2021-2022 SLCSO Organizational Chart

Superintendent Gadson presented the 2021-22 SLCSO Organizational Chart. Board members provided feedback and Superintendent Gadson answered board member questions.

4. Board Handbook

Board members discussed making sure the handbook is updated and in compliance. The Policy Subcommittee was given direction to start the revision process.

5. District Extended Learning Program (ELP)

Dr. Tiffany Hall and Allesen Peck provided an overview of the District ELP Program. They asked board members for feedback and direction moving forward with this program. They concluded by answering questions from the board.

6. Student Achievement Plan

The board discussed a possible timeline for creating the Student Achievement Plan and goals they wanted to focus on.

7. Redistricting

Alan Kearsley presented a PowerPoint regarding redistricting. He asked for board feedback and direction on how to develop recommendations for the County Redistricting Committee. He answered questions from the board.

D. BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Board member Swett said she appreciates the work happening in our School Community Council meetings. She requested a report on bus routes and how we can develop a more efficient routing system.

Board member Kennedy asked the board to think about possible classes and activities added to Virtual School.

Vice President Salazar said he is looking forward to attending SLCC meetings and thanked Transportation for their help fixing a bus stop issue. He reminded board members on the Human Sexuality Committee of an upcoming meeting.

President Ford said there is an interest from the community to study the Late Start Program and if it has had the effect the district was hoping for on students.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Miscellaneous Updates:

There was no Superintendent's Report

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by President Ford at 9:30 p.m.

Alan Kearsley
Business Administrator

**Salt Lake City School District
Addition to the Minutes of the Board Meeting 10/19/2021**

*The Official Minutes of the Board Meeting held on October 19, 2021 will be posted upon approval by the Board of Education.

OFFICIAL EXHIBITS OF BOARD MEETING

Official exhibits provided to the board and made available to the public as part of the meeting agenda can be found [here](#).

ADDITION TO THE MINUTES

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The following information was distributed in the public meeting of the board, and has been included in the minutes at the request of the board member(s):

West High-Student Trip *revised*

[Agenda Item 4B3](#)