

September 1, 2022 - Wasatch County School District Board of Education Meeting (Thursday, September 1, 2022)**A. Board of Education Meeting****Meeting called to order at 6:31 PM****Members present**

Board President, Tom Hansen

Board Vice President, Tyler Bluth

Board Members: Cory Holmes, Marianne B Allen

Board Member, Kimberly Dickerson participated virtually

Superintendent, Paul Sweat

Business Administrator, Kieth Johansen

Guest, Randy Larsen, District Bond Counsel

B. Notice of Public Comments Concerning Intent to Issue Debt

Action, Information: 1. On September 1, 2022, the Board of Education of the Wasatch County School District, Utah (the "District") intends to affirm a resolution of the District adopted on July 14, 2014 declaring its intention to enter into contracts with the Local Building Authority of Wasatch County School District (the "Authority") related to the Authority's Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds"), and hereby provides an opportunity for comments from the public at a public meeting of the District to be held on September 1, 2022, at the hour of 6:30 p.m. The District intends to enter into lease agreements and related contracts with the Authority related to the Bonds. The Bonds are expected to finance all or a portion of the costs of school facilities, improvements and equipment (collectively, the "Series 2022 Project") that in part was rejected by the voters in a general obligation bond ballot question in November of 2019. The Bonds will be issued in a principal amount of not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$150,000,000), to bear interest at rates not to exceed six percent (6.0%) per annum, to mature in not more than thirty-two (32) years from their date or dates. The Bonds are payable solely from the rents, revenues and other income received by the Authority from the leasing of the Series 2022 Project to the District on an annually renewable basis.

C. Community Comment

Discussion, Information: 1. Public comments will be accepted for approximately twenty (20) minutes. Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of two (2) minutes.

Dave Millner - Heber, UT

"The vote that is before the board right now is very controversial and there have been calls for litigation on this issue. The board should not take action unless they are confident it will hold up to legal scrutiny. There is a significant part of the valley that believes this issue is being pushed through in an improper way. The board should be really careful with the decision they make about this bond issue. Wasatch School District may have a court battle on its hands."

Board Member Marianne B. Allen -

"Thanks for coming and voicing your opinion. We have listened to our legal counsel over the last many months and feel confident and trust them with the decisions we have made thus far."

D. Consent Items

Action (Consent): 1. Consideration of Consent Items

Resolution: Consideration and Approval of Consent Items D 2. - D9.

Action (Consent), Minutes: 2. Minutes School Board Meeting - July 14, 2022

Action (Consent): 3. Employee Separations

Action (Consent): 4. Employee New Hires

Action (Consent): 5. Financials

Action (Consent): 6. Home School Affidavits

Action (Consent): 7. School Choice

Action (Consent): 8. Staff or Student Travel

Action(Consent): 9. Amendment to 2022-2023 Wasatch Learning Academy School LAND Trust plan

Motion to approve by Tyler Bluth, second by Marianne B Allen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

E. Action Items

Action: 1. Affirm the resolution of the District adopted on July 14, 2022 related to the approval by the District of lease agreements and related contracts with the Local Building Authority of the District, described in Item B.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (THE "BOARD") OF WASATCH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, UTAH (THE "DISTRICT") AFFIRMING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT, BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE LOCAL BUILDING AUTHORITY OF WASATCH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, UTAH (THE "AUTHORITY"); AFFIRMING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT, A GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT AND AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF ALL OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO THE CONSUMMATION OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS RESOLUTION; AND RELATED MATTERS.

Motion to approve the resolution by Cory Holmes, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 2. 2022-2023 USBE Early Learning Plan - Dr. Eric Campbell, Director of Elementary Education

2. 22-23 USBE Early Learning Plan-Eric Campbell

Every year, by state statute the districts are asked to bring their early learning curriculum to the board. This plan is focused on Literacy and Math for Kindergarten through third-grade students. We have to have 3 goals. The state has given us an Acadience Math test to gauge our progress. The first goal was a 1st-grade focus with a 13% increase in benchmark scores. Our Last year, Kindergarten did the best that they have ever done, with almost 90% of our kids on grade level. Second grade is a Math goal that we will increase scores by 4%. The last goal is a Literacy goal focused on 2nd grade. Reduce the number of students scoring low on benchmark assessments by 59%.

Recommendation to approve this plan as written.

Motion to approve by Cory Holmes, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 3. 2022-2023 Professional Learning Grant - Dr. Eric Campbell, Director of Elementary Education

Recommendation from Board President Hansen, "Move to remove item three from the agenda."

Motion to remove item by Marianne B Allen, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 4. Early Start Classroom Furniture Supplies - Dr. Eric Campbell, Director of Elementary Education

Early Start was a pilot program that the district has been experimenting with for several years - we receive 3-year-olds for early intervention. The equipment that has been used is really old. Students work on their fine and gross motor skills - using old equipment is very hard when working on these fine skills.

Proposal to replace the Early Start Classroom furniture equipment for \$15,424.18 from Lakeshore Learning.

Board Member Allen-

"Thanks for the detailed list. We know exactly where the money is going and it sounds like it is needed.

Motion to approve by Tyler Bluth, second by Marianne B Allen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 5. Wasatch High School Auditorium Microphone and Wireless Receiver Replacement - Dustin Miller, Technology Director

Most of the equipment in the high school auditorium is very old - it is original to the high school when it was built. This new equipment will allow us to have better range and sound with the new microphones and technology so that we can have discussions that can be heard and support the students and events held at the High School.

Recommendation to purchase, on state contract, through Web Integration for \$34,122.75

Motion to approve by Tyler Bluth, second by Cory Holmes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 6. Wasatch County School District Calendar 2023-24 School Year - Kirsta Albert, Communications Director

Two versions of the presented draft were provided to the community. Approximately 500 comments were received. Both versions of the calendar had the same start, fall break, and the same spring break. The difference is the first day out for the Christmas break and when the school year ends. Version 1 shows the semester break before the Christmas break. Three of the four quarters end before a major break. A shorter Christmas break with the end of school would be before Memorial Day. This would be a full 2-week break for students. Fall and Spring Break would be one week break - ending school the 24th of May.

Second version -Very long Christmas break. Almost 3-week break for Christmas and school would end May 31st.

Overwhelming comments selected version one.

Kirsta has all the comments that came in if the board would like to read through them. 38 comments came through staff.

Recommendation from Superintendent Sweat to approve version one calendar. To align with other districts. This is the best academic calendar for the district.

Motion to approve Version One Calendar by Marianne B Allen, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Not Present at Vote: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 7. WHS Attendance Policy Updates - Dr. Jason Watt, Director of CTE/Student Services

Motion to table item 7.

Motion by Marianne B Allen, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 8. Bullying, Cyberbullying, Harassment, and Hazing Policy Updates - Dr. Jason Watt, Director of CTE/Student Services

In the current version of the policy, the legislature has made changes to define abusive conduct. This provision protects educators from abusive conduct from students and parents. The State Board provides a model policy with minor changes that are updated regularly. The other change is that it articulates more clearly how a district would investigate bullying and the actions that are required to report bullying. The recommendation is to put the policy out for review till the next board meeting.

Motion for policy to be placed on review by Tyler Bluth, second by Marianne B Allen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 9. Purchase of Vehicle for District Fleet- Shawn Kelly, Director of HR/Operations

In the past, the district would purchase two buses a year to keep the transportation fleet up to date and safe for students. More recently we have budgeted to buy suburban and other cars for our staff to use for conferences and teacher professional development. A car from the Cool-to-Care program is available from Labrum Chevrolet that I am proposing for the district to buy back to add to the fleet of vehicles used for teacher professional development and student activity travel. It has 8,600 miles, with the purchase price is \$26,500 - a low bluebook price the Chevrolet Malibu.

Recommendation for the school district to purchase the 2021 Cool Teachers Care vehicle to add to the District fleet to be used for teacher and student transportation.

Motion to approve by Cory Holmes, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

Action: 10. District Office Building, Office Space/Furniture - Shawn Kelly, Director of HR/Operations

WorkspaceElements is a single-source company with resources to provide portable office space with moving walls. The bid is for \$36,720.00. Existing space will be used to create two additional offices for staff at the district office.

Motion to approve by Tyler Bluth, second by Marianne B Allen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

F. Board Report

September 12 is the Annual Dinner in the park from 5:30-7pm.

USBA Regional Dinner hosted in Park City on Sept. 27th at 6:30 p.m.

G. Superintendent Report

Discussion, Information: 1. Information

Wasatch County School District is off to a great start to the school year. We have campaigned extra reminders to the community to drive safely and be aware.

H. Executive Session

Information: 1. Section 52-4-5 of the Open Meetings Act identifies the topics that may be discussed in a closed meeting. Discussion to purchase, exchange or lease of real property; character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; pending or reasonably imminent litigation; and or collective bargaining.

No executive session held.

I. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 1. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting by Tyler Bluth, second by Marianne B Allen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cory Holmes, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth, Marianne B Allen, Kimberly Dickerson

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