

WEBER SCHOOL DISTRICT
5320 Adams Avenue Parkway
Ogden, UT

General Board Meeting
March 1, 2023

The Board of Education of Weber School District held a Board Meeting in the Board Room at 5320 Adams Avenue, Ogden, Utah. The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

The following Board Members and Superintendency were present:

Paul Widdison	Board President
Jon Ritche	Board Vice President
Doug Hurst	Board Member
Janis Christensen	Board Member
Jan Burrell	Board Member
Kelly Larson	Board Member
Gina Butters	Superintendent
Clyde Moore	Assistant Superintendent
Dave Hales	Assistant Superintendent
Robert Petersen	Business Administrator

Board Member Bruce Jardine was excused.

Student Presentation: Jaxon Parker and Zoey Penman, student storytellers from North Park Elementary, introduced by Elementary Supervisor Heather Neilson.

Roy High student Aubrey Guerrero was introduced by James Ebert, Executive Director of Boys and Girls Club. James noted Aubrey is the first student to win this award in Utah. Aubrey thanked the Board and shared her essay she submitted for the award.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Zoey Penman, North Park Elementary Student
2. Consent Calendar
 - A. Minutes
 - B. Warrant Register
 - C. Budget Update
 - D. New Hires
 - E. Bid/Purchase Approvals
 - F. Leave of Absence Requests
 - G. Approval of LEA License and Endorsement Lists – February 2023
 - H. Approval of Burch Creek Elementary School LAND Trust Plan Amendment
 - I. Approval of Positive Behaviors Plans
 - J. Approve the Signing of the Juul Settlement Agreement for Weber School District
3. Presentation of Proposed Fee Schedule for 2023-2024 School Year – 2nd Reading

4. **Public Meeting – Public Comment on Proposed Fee Schedule**
The public is encouraged to participate in the development and review of fee schedules. Each person desiring to participate will have 2 minutes to provide input regarding the proposed fee schedule.
5. **Recognitions**
 - A. Jo Barela, Jacqueline Morales Diaz, Kim Fochtman, Kevin Reader, Briana Whelan, Kimberlee Marker, Sand Ridge Jr. High – *E+ Team Award*
 - B. Alissa Shupe, Farr West Elementary – *Extra Mile Award*
6. **Presentation**
 - A. Latinos in Action
7. **Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. Reappointment of Business Administrator/Oath of Office
 - B. Approval of Revised Policy 4300 *Promotion and Retention* – 1st Reading
 - C. Approval of Renamed Policy 4220 to Revised Policy 6800 *Utah Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA)* – 1st Reading

AGENDUM ITEM #2 – Consent Calendar

A. Minutes

That the minutes for the Study Session dated February 1, 2023, and General Board Meeting dated February 1, 2023 be approved.

B. Warrant Register

That check numbers 00023159 through 00023501; and 00549519 through 00550520 totaling \$17,988,622.36 dated February 22, 2023, be approved.

C. Budget Update

That the budget update dated February 23, 2023, be approved.

D. New Hires

That the list of personnel changes and additions dated January 27, 2023, through February 23, 2023, be approved.

E. Bid/Purchase Approvals

That the Approval to Renew Palo Alto Cortex 1 Year License be approved.

That the Approval of the New Eligibility and Point of Sale System for Child Nutrition Department Selection be approved.

F. Leave of Absence Requests

There was no leave of absence requests.

G. Approval of LEA License and Endorsement Lists – February 2023

H. Approval of Burch Creek Elementary School LAND Trust Plan Amendment

I. Approval of Positive Behaviors Plans

J. Approve the Signing of the Juul Settlement Agreement for Weber School District

Board President, Paul Widdison, called for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion: Doug Hurst

Seconded: Janis Christensen

That the above Consent Calendar be approved. Voting was unanimous in support of the motion.

AGENDUM ITEM #3 – Presentation of Proposed Fee Schedule for 2023-2024 School Year – 2nd Reading

Secondary Education Supervisor Matt Williams noted the committee is seeking approval on the school fees and acknowledged the specific changes. The meeting is open to public comment and changes have been made to align with state policies and to create transparency and equity. The committee is requesting the Board approve the fee schedule on a second reading.

It is recommended the Board approve the Proposed Fee Schedule for 2023-2024 School Year on a second reading.

Motion: Jon Ritchie

Seconded: Jan Burrell

That the Approval of the Proposed Fee Schedule for 2023-2024 School Year on a second reading be approved. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

AGENDUM ITEM #4 – Public Meeting – Public Comment on Proposed Fee Schedule

President Widdison invited members of the audience to comment on the draft fee schedule if they would like. There were no requests to address the Board.

AGENDUM ITEM #5 – Recognitions

A. Joe Barela, Jacqueline Morales Diaz, Kim Fochtman, Kevin Reader, Briana Whelan, Kimberlee Marker, Sand Ridge Jr. High – *E+ Team Award*

Special Education Director Quinn Karlinsey introduced the paras from the Life Skills classroom at Sand Ridge Jr. High. Principal Quinn Talbot's nomination letter stated, our team of paras work tirelessly to give each student the targeted attention they need. They make

students have “their” day every day and give individual attention to help students be successful. An example was shared how they made a day special for student, Ian, who was highlighted on KSL News as a guest player on the basketball team. Another example was shared how the paras helped students attend the Valentine’s Day dance to make “their” day. The job descriptions for junior high paras was shared and noted how many responsibilities they have, but do it with a smile on their face. Quinn concluded thanking them for all they do every day!

Each awardee introduced their family attending in the audience.

B. Alissa Shupe, Farr West Elementary – *Extra Mile Award*

Online Digital Learning Director Nick Harris introduced Alissa Shupe, Librarian at Farr West Elementary. She was nominated by Principal Kirt Swalberg and he noted she embodies the spirit of Weber School District and Farr West Elementary. Her commitment to the students, school and community is unmatched. Co-workers shared she has a love of reading with a vast knowledge of books, fosters love for books and reading and encourages love for reading, has books on reading grade level available for students. She motivates reluctant readers with fun games, book wars, fresh ideas, literacy incentives, literacy club, authors club and Storytelling Festival. She has made the Storytelling Festival a big deal! The authors contest was implemented by Alissa to encourage young authors. Many hours go into making this event successful. An example of books published by students were shared. Following are comments from others around the district: She has fresh ideas, she graciously shares her ideas, every librarian benefits from her enthusiasm, Alissa is a leader of her peers, she is patient, understanding and well versed and she has an expertise that is admired by all. Students shared they love the library, literacy crew and she is super fun and nice!

Alissa shared how much she loves the students and introduced her family in attendance.

AGENDUM ITEM #6 – Presentation

A. Latinos in Action

Curriculum Teacher Leader Melanie Malan noted she is over World Languages, Social Studies and is the Latinos In Action (LIA) District Liaison. She explained LIA is an elective class for junior high and high school students to help bridge the graduation gap, create positive change and encourage students to lead in their communities. Students in LIA participate in college and career readiness curriculum, leadership development by participating on committees, literacy tutoring and they serve as role models for neighboring elementary students. Students from Bonneville High School, Weber High School and T.H. Bell Jr. High performed dances for the Board. Students from each of these schools shared their heartfelt experiences from being involved in LIA.

AGENDUM ITEM #7 – Discussion/Action Items

A. Reappointment of Business Administrator/Oath of Office

President Widdison explained it is time to re-administer the Oath of Office for Business Administrator Dr. Robert Petersen. Comments from evaluations received from directors for Dr. Petersen were shared noting he is a team player, approachable, willing to help others, provide

training related to department budgets and provides accurate financial information and projections. The Oath of Office was then administered by Board President Paul Widdison.

B. Approval of Revised Policy 4300 *Promotion and Retention* – 1st Reading

District Legal Counsel Heidi Alder shared we are currently updating our policies and policy book to ensure we are up to date and in compliance with state and federal law, and have all policies formatted the same. This policy was initially titled *Promotion and Retention* and has been retitled *Retention and Placement in Specialized Class or Program*. State law has no provision requiring districts to promote a student upon request from a parent. We have removed the piece about promotion and rewrote it in terms clearer to the public on the process parents can follow. It is recommended the Board approve the revised Policy 4300 *Retention and Placement in Specialized Class or Program* on a first reading.

Motion: Jon Ritchie

Seconded: Jan Burrell

That the Approval of Revised Policy 4300 *Retention and Placement in Specialized Class or Program* be approved on a first reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Board Member Kelly Larson suggested a change in Section 4 regarding who the meeting will include when requesting retention and to list the team members. Heidi noted the next draft will be updated with this suggestion for the Board to review on the next reading.

C. Approval of Renamed Policy 4220 to Revised Policy 6800 *Utah Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA)* -1st Reading

District Legal Counsel Heidi Alder explained the next policy also has a slight change in the numbering and has been placed in another section. The change to this policy includes a fee schedule. The law allows us to charge for a request of records when it takes significant time for a staff member to put together. It is recommended the Board approve revised Policy 6800 *Utah Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA)* on a first reading.

Motion: Doug Hurst

Seconded: Jan Burrell

That the Approval of Renamed Policy 4220 to Revised Policy 6800 *Utah Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA)* be approved on a first reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

After determining no further business need be conducted, President Widdison called for a motion to adjourn the general session of Board Meeting.

Motion: Kelly Larson

Seconded: Jon Ritchie

That the General Session of Board Meeting be adjourned. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

General Board Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.