

Uintah School District  
Vernal, Utah

These are the minutes from **May 10, 2023, Business Meeting** of the Uintah School District Board of Education. The meeting was held at the **District Office Board Room** located at 826 South 1500 East, Naples, UT 84078. The meeting began at **6:24 p.m.**

**Audio Recording:** <https://www.utah.gov/pmn/files/977207.mp3>

**Board Members Present:** President Dave Chivers, Vice President Tawnya McKee, Robin McClellan, Denise Maynard, and Todd Massey.

**Also Present:** Superintendent Dr. Rick Woodford and Kim Barnhurst, CFO, and others.

**Quorum Present (3):** Yes

**1. INTRODUCTION - Audio Time Stamp (1:15)**

- A. Welcome/Called to Order:** Board President Dave Chivers
- B. Reverence:** Jason Johnson, Vice President of Administrative Services at UBTECH
- C. Pledge of Allegiance:** Jade Owens

**D. Student Board Member Report – Kate Larson Audio Time Stamp (4:35)**

Kate Larson reported she is filling in for Ashlyn Olsen, however, she will be next year's student board member liaison. Kate then reported on spring sports, including the UHS baseball team being ranked 16<sup>th</sup> in the state, girls' softball being 1<sup>st</sup> in the region, the boys' JV tennis team being 1<sup>st</sup> in the region, and the boys' soccer team being 2<sup>nd</sup> in the region. The Sports Banquet is scheduled on May 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Senior Ball is scheduled for Saturday, May 13, 2023, and Graduation is scheduled on Friday, May 26, 2023.

**E. Celebrations – Superintendent Dr. Rick Woodford - Audio Time Stamp (5:56)**

- 1. Students of the Month** - The students of the month for May 2023 are Nathan Bird, Central Cove Preschool; Zaiden Dick, Ashley Elementary; Reagan Boren, Davis Elementary; Ivan Reynolds, Discovery Elementary; Easton Reed, Eagle View Elementary; Gaige Olsen, Lapoint. Elementary; Kamdyn Hickerson, Maeser Elementary; Sofia Hautamaki, Naples Elementary; Roscoe McKeachnie, Uintah Middle School; Aaliyah Vaughn, Vernal Middle School; Bodey Simmons, Uintah High School; Hannah Cooper, Ashley Valley Education Center/Uintah Online.
- 2. Kami Elison, 2024 Teacher of the Year - Audio Time Stamp (28:10)**  
Christy Nerdin, UHS Principal
- 3. Erik Middleton, 2024 Classified Employee of the Year – Audio Time Stamp (30:49)**  
Mark Rich, Transportation Department

**4. Aubrey McCarrell, USEA Awards - Audio Time Stamp (34:09)**

Cynthia Shiner, Classified Employees Representative

**5. Uintah FFA National Qualifiers - Audio Time Stamp (40:20)**

David Wilson, FFA Advisor

**F. Patron Input: Board President Dave Chivers Audio Time Stamp (46:30)**

There were no patron input requests and no items received in accordance with Board Policy 002.0720.

**2. BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS - Audio Time Stamp (46:38)**

**A. Approval of Business Administrator Contract**

President Chivers requested a motion to approve the Business Administrator contract.

***Motion:*** A motion was made by Tawnya McKee to approve the Business Administrator Contract, seconded by Todd Massey, with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

**B. Swearing in of Business Administrator - Audio Time Stamp (47:48)**

Judge Jeffry K. Ross swore in the new USD Business Administrator, W. Grant Stoddard, Esq.

**C. Consent Calendar - Audio Time Stamp (50:07)**

Board President Dave Chivers requested a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

1. Minutes (April 5, 2023, Work Session; April 5, 2023, Business Meeting; April 26, 2023, Special Meeting) - Kim Barnhurst, Controller
2. Purchases Over \$50,000 and/or Contracts Needing Board Approval - Kim Barnhurst
  1. Driver Education Simulators
  2. Driver Education Covered Parking
  3. Ashley Elementary HVAC Controls
  4. Carpet Replacement (Discovery, Eagle View, Vernal Middle School)
  5. Verkada Security System
  6. Playground Equipment (Naples and Lapoint)
  7. Uintah Middle School Landscaping
  8. UMS Track Replacement Cost Increase
3. Approval of anonymous donation to Uintah High School in the amount of \$100,000.
4. Monthly Board Financial Update - Kim Barnhurst
5. Approval of PBIS Plans - Dr. Dean Wilson, Student Services Director
6. Approval of Foreign Language Students - Dr. Dean Wilson
7. Approval of 2023-2024 School Trustlands Plans - Jayme Leyba, Curriculum Director
8. Approval of 2023-2024 District Improvement Plan - Dr. Rick Woodford, Superintendent

***Motion:*** A motion was made by Robin McClellan to approve all items listed under the consent calendar, seconded by Denise Maynard, with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

## D. Policy Revisions

### 1. Policies for Approval on First Reading - Audio Time Stamp (55:10)

Board President Dave Chivers entertained a motion to approve the policy listed on the first reading.

#### 1. Elimination of Policy 007.0220 Disruptive Student Behavior - Dr. Dean Wilson, Student Services Director

**Motion:** A motion was made by Denise Maynard to approve the Elimination of Policy 007.0220 Disruptive Student Behavior, First Reading, seconded by Robin McClellan, with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

### 2. Policies for Approval on Second Reading - Audio Time Stamp (56:00)

#### 1. Policy 004.0225 Maintenance of Effort, Second Reading – Jayme Leyba

Board President Dave Chivers entertained a motion to approve Policy 004.0225 Maintenance of Effort.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Todd Massey to approve Policy 004.0225 Maintenance of Effort, Second Reading, seconded by Denise Maynard, with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carries (5,0).

#### 2. Policy 002.0450 Adoption and Change of Policy – Audio Time Stamp (57:22) Dr. Rick Woodford

**Patron Input** – The time allotted for patron input on Policy 002.0450 Adoption and Change of Policy is three minutes.

- **Audio Time Stamp (57:47)** Marsha Curtis, Vernal Middle School Teacher and representative for the Teachers Association, thanked the Board for making the changes to the policy and discussed the importance of the Policy Committee.

**Audio Time Stamp (1:00:14)** Board President Dave Chivers entertained a motion to approve Policy 002.0450 Adoption and Change of Policy.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Tawnya McKee to approve Policy 002.0450 Adoption and Change of Policy with the amended changes to add under Section 1.1 “the board may seek the counsel of the policy committee according to this policy” and add under Section 3.1 “policies may be formally adopted at a regular board meeting by a

majority vote on the second of two readings”, Second Reading, seconded by Todd Massey, with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

Board members had a brief discussion on the changes to this policy.

**E. Personnel Changes - Audio Time Stamp (1:06:29)**

**Dr. Dean Wilson**

Board President Dave Chivers entertained a motion to approve Personnel Changes.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Tawnya McKee to approve the recommended personnel changes (new hires, newly assigned employees, and notification of separations of employment), seconded by Denise Maynard with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

Dr. Dean Wilson presented on behalf of Dr. Mistalyn Leis. Dean requested the approval of eleven (11) new hires, nine (9) current employee who has recently been assigned to a new position, two (2) candidates to fill extracurricular coach positions, and one(1) candidate to fill a non-sanctioned activities position. Dr. Wilson reported there were twenty-six (26) notifications of separations.

Please see the attached May 10, 2023, USD Board-approved list of personnel changes.

**F. Approval of 2022-2023 Tentative Amended Budget – Audio Time Stamp (1:09:20)**

**Kim Barnhurst**

President Chivers entertained a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Tentative Amended Budget.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Tawnya McKee that the Board of Education approve the tentative budget for the 2022-2023 school year as follows. Maintenance and operation - \$77,934,978; Student Activity Fund - \$1,678,200; RDA - \$826,000; Debt Service - \$3,300,125; Capital Outlay - \$9,746,572; Child Nutrition - \$3,578,772; Municipal Building Authority - \$335,000; for a total budget of \$97,399,647, seconded by Todd Massey with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

**G. Approval of 2023-2024 Tentative Budget – Audio Time Stamp (1:12:02)**

**Kim Barnhurst**

**Motion:** A motion was made by Robin McClellan that the Board of Education approve the tentative budget for the 2023-2024 school year as follows. Maintenance and operation - \$82,699,692; Student Activity Fund - \$1,680,000; RDA - \$896,000; Debt Service - \$3,280,125; Capital Outlay - \$27,515,028; Child Nutrition - \$3,461,420; Municipal Building Authority- \$335,000: for a total budget of \$119,867,265, seconded by Denise Maynard with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

**3. INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS - Audio Time Stamp (1:14:27)**

**A. Volunteer Brigade – Dr. Laura Foley**

As members of the Boomer Brigade, Dr. Laura Foley and Jackie Gray discussed the significance of the volunteer group. They have made significant contributions to the district by volunteering their time to assist teachers and help students successfully develop their reading and math skills. Dr. Foley explained they have renamed and rebranded the volunteer group with the assistance of Geoff Liesik, Communications Specialist. They have changed their name to the “Volunteer Brigade.”

**B. Calendar Items – Superintendent Dr. Rick Woodford Audio Time Stamp (1:28:46)**

- Employee Appreciation Week - USD - May 8th-12th
- 1st Grade Around Town - Davis Elementary - Thursday, May 11th
- Walk of Dragon Fame - Davis Elementary - Thursday, May 11th
- 2nd Grade Field Trip - Maeser Elementary - Thursday, May 11th
- Community Council Meeting - Maeser Elementary - Thursday, May 11th, 3:45
- Dodgeball w/Law Enforcement Officers - Maeser Elementary - Friday, May 12th, 9:00
- School Play - UMS - May 12th, 13th & 15th
- Davis 5th Grade Visit to VMS – VMS - Monday, May 15th
- Davis 3rd Grade Field Trip to McConkie Ranch - Tuesday, May 16th
- Davis 5th Grade to USU for iSEE Visit – USU - Tuesday, May 16th
- Community Council Meeting - Discovery Elementary - Tuesday, May 16th, 3:50 p.m.
- Davis 4th Grade Field Trip to Dinosaur Quarry - Dinosaur Quarry - Thursday, May 18th
- 5th Grade Field Trip - Maeser Elementary - Thursday, May 18th
- Senior Walkthrough Elementary Schools - Monday, May 22nd, 10:00 a.m.
- 6th-8th Grade StoryTelling - Eagle View Elementary - Monday, May 22nd
- 5th Grade Juggling - Naples Elementary - Tuesday, May 23rd, 9:00 and 2:00
- Field Day Davis Elementary - Tuesday, May 23rd
- Field Day Maeser Elementary - Tuesday, May 23rd
- End of Year Pow Wow - Eagle View Elementary - Wednesday, May 24th, 12:30-2:00
- Kindergarten Program - Davis Elementary - Wednesday, May 24th
- Talent Show Maeser Elementary Wednesday, May 24th
- Kindergarten Celebration - Naples Elementary - Wednesday, May 24th, 9:00
- 5th Grade Volcanoes - Davis Elementary - Thursday, May 25th
- Kickball Game - Davis Elementary - Thursday, May 25th
- Kindergarten Graduation - Maeser Elementary - Thursday, May 25th
- Field Day - Naples Elementary - Thursday, May 25th
- End of Year Awards Assembly - Eagle View Elementary - Thursday, May 25th, 9:00
- 8th Grade Color Wars, 7th Grade Field Day, 6th Grade Rec Activity – UMS - Thursday, May 25th
- AVEC Graduation - AVEC Parking Lot - Thursday, May 25th, 5:30
- Kindergarten Play - Eagle View Elementary - Friday, May 26th, 8:00
- CUB Assembly - Maeser Elementary - Friday, May 26th, 8:45
- 5th Grade Graduation Walk - Maeser Elementary - Friday, May 26th, 12:45
- Last Day of School - USD - Friday, May 26th
- UHS Graduation - Curg Belcher Stadium - Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

**C. Superintendent and/or Board President follow-up or clarification on items discussed during the meeting. Audio Time Stamp (1:31:02)**

Each board member shared their final thoughts on the meeting and thanked the Uintah School District employees for all their hard work and dedication.

**4. ADJOURNMENT Audio Time Stamp (1:37:02)**

**A. Meeting Adjourned**

***Motion:*** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Todd Massey, seconded by Denise Maynard with the Board unanimously approving. Motion Carried (5:0)

**Meeting Adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.**

DATE: **May 10, 2023**

TO: UINTAH BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Dr. Mistalyn Leis, Director of Human Resources

RE: Board Approval Request for **May 10, 2023**, Board Approval of New Hires, Newly Assigned Employees; Notification of Separations of Employment

**Superintendent Woodford requests Board approval of the following individuals for hire/assignment to new positions:**

**a. NEW HIRES – BOARD APPROVAL REQUESTED:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Assignment</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>Education/ Training</b>	
Hillary Arias	Intervention Aide	Naples	0.7375	All Required	
Wesley Grant Stoddard	Business Administrator	USD	1.0	Juris Doctorate With Distinction / Bachelor of Arts - BYU	
Robert Darran Taylor	Seasonal Maintenance Worker	Maintenance	1.0	All Required	
Kyle Butler	Seasonal Maintenance Worker	Maintenance	1.0	All Required	
Olivia Long	Seasonal Maintenance Worker	Maintenance	0.7375	All Required	
Jennifer Walton (Starting 8/19/2023)	SpEd Teacher	EVE	1.0	Master of Education Major: Technology in Education	
Skyler Seitz (Starting 8/19/2023)	Teacher	Maeser	1.0	Master of Education Major: Learning and Technology	
Lindsay Cook (Starting 8/19/2023)	Teacher	Maeser	1.0	Bachelor of Science Major: Elementary Education	
Bobbie Ruppe (Starting 8/19/2023)	Teacher	Maeser	1.0	Master of Education Major: Education	
Annalee Wyatt (Starting 8/19/2023)	Teacher	Naples	1.0	Bachelor of Science Major: Elementary Education	
Sandrina Gurr (Starting 8/19/2023)	SpEd Teacher	UMS	1.0	(In progress)	

**b. NEWLY ASSIGNED EMPLOYEES – BOARD APPROVAL REQUESTED:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Former (Current) Assignment</b>	<b>New Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Allie Atwood	Speech Language Technician (1.0 FTE) @ Maeser	Kindergarten Teacher (1.0 FTE) @ Davis	8/18/2023
Mallory Hoffart	Grade 1 Teacher (1.0 FTE) @ Discovery	Instructional Coach (1.0 FTE) @ Discovery	8/18/2023
Morgan McConkie	SpEd Aide (0.7375 FTE) @ Ashely	SpEd Aide (0.875 FTE) @ Ashley	8/18/2023
Priscilla Oaks	SpEd Aide (0.7375 FTE) @ Ashley	SpEd Aide (0.875 FTE) @ Ashley	8/18/2023
Cherissa Collett	SpEd Preschool Aide (0.7375 FTE) @ CEC	SpEd Preschool Aide (0.875 FTE) @ CEC	8/18/2023
Kristy Coon	Grade 5 Teacher (1.0 FTE) @ Naples	Instructional Coach (1.0 FTE) @ Ashley	8/18/2023
Christina Bell	SpEd Aide (1.0 FTE) @ Naples	SpEd Teacher (1.0 FTE) @ UMS	8/18/2023
Kelli Anderson	Adult Education Aide (0.4875 FTE) @ AVEC	YIC Teacher (1.0 FTE) @ AVEC	8/18/2023
Lori Hardman	Online Teacher (0.25 FTE) @ AVEC	History Teacher (1.0 FTE) @ AVEC	8/18/2023

**c. NEWLY HIRED EXTRACURRICULAR COACHES**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>
Shae Bristol	Assistant Drill Team Coach	UHS	2
Kenna Gardiner	Assistant Volleyball Coach	UHS	1

**d. NEWLY HIRED NON-SANCTIONED ACTIVITIES**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>
KayLynn Holmes	Head Sterling Scholar Advisor	UHS	15