

**Board of Education Meeting Minutes – 6:00 p.m.  
Administration Building, Farmington, UT  
Tuesday, January 6, 2026**

Live-streamed via YouTube  
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**Board Members Present:**

President Brigit Gerrard, Vice President Emily Price, Kristen Hogan, Julie Powell, Michelle Barber, Alisa Mercer, and Joani Stevens

**Administration Present:**

Superintendent Dr. Dan Linford, Business Administrator Mr. Tim Leffel, Asst. Superintendent Dr. Logan Toone, Asst. Superintendent Dr. Fidel Montero, and Asst. Superintendent Ms. Chadli Bodily.

**Introductory Items**

**Welcome**

Ms. Brigit Gerrard, Board President

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Miss Lauren Hamblin, Syracuse High School Student-Body Officer

**Introduction of Syracuse High School Student Body Officers:**

Dr. Dan Linford, Superintendent

**Miss Lauren Hamblin & Mr. Van Rice**

Syracuse High School Student-Body Officers

**Student Performance**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Student Speeches**

Dr. Fidel Montero, Asst. Superintendent & Mr. Chris Carpenter, OEO District Coordinator

- a. **Miss Beatrice Etter**, Farmington High School, 11<sup>th</sup> grade
- b. **Miss Jane Alvey**, Parkside Elementary, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade
- c. **Miss Andrea Cole**, Holbrook Elementary, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Public Comment Period**

No-one signed up

**Information Items**

**Committee Reports:**

### **Davis Education Foundation**

Ms. Emily Price, Board Vice-President

Listed below are some of the incredible donations and sponsorships that have been received by the Davis Education Foundation for the children, families, educators, counselors and administrators in the Davis School District. Mercedes Benz in Farmington and Jazz Player Mr. Svi Mykhailiuk handed out 300 hams to students and their families, 62 grants awarded in the amount of \$289,887.00, received \$10,00.00 in cash and toys from Big West Oil and the Call Foundation, distributed \$10,000.00 in holiday hardship grants for teachers courtesy of Hogan Construction, Deseret Book donated \$100,000.00 of new books, \$11,000.00 from KSL Quarters for Christmas, \$250,000.00 from Larry H and Gail Miller Sub-for-Santa, \$16,415.00 food, gift cards for at risk students, and \$5,000 from the Boeing employee holiday drive.

In November the Foundation sponsored the Northern Utah Stem Expo with Marathon Petroleum, facilitated a partnership and voting efforts for Northridge High School Sped Teacher, Ms. Angelyn Obray who won a \$50,000.00 Classroom Make-Over. Ms. Price expressed appreciation to America First, Granite and Mountain America Credit Unions who made the Elves and Shoemaker Event at seven (7) Davis School District Elementary Schools so successful. Recognized the many other Schools who held their own fundraisers to help others. Special mention to Clearfield High School and their Falcons are Fabulous Event that raised \$103,778.00 for Safe Harbor.

### **Utah School Board Association (USBA)**

Ms. Brigit Gerrard, Board President

Ms. Gerrard shared information regarding the USBA Annual Conference on Thursday January 8th – Saturday January 10th in the Little America Hotel. On Wednesday Jan 21<sup>st</sup> at the Capital from 3:00 – 6:00 in the Rotunda, there will be a Public Education Celebration, Friday January 30<sup>th</sup> is the Day on the Hill and the Joint Legislative Committee meeting, more details to follow.

### **Davis Technical College (DTC)**

Ms. Brigit Gerrard, Board President

Ms. Gerrard shared highlights from the DTC Board meeting. Davis Technical College was recently ranked #1 in tenure return on investment among Utah's private and public Colleges and Universities. Every Wednesday at the DTC, students in the culinary arts program provide breakfast for the Student Resource Officers (SRO's) at their monthly planning meeting. In December the DTC recognized and celebrated their Students of the Year, this included Gabriel Peterson, from Northridge High School in Welding and Machining, and Beckham Dixon from Farmington High School in the Plumbing Apprenticeship Program.

### **Board Reports**

#### **Michelle Barber**

Enjoyed the Elves and the Shoemaker, Davis High School Teen Center Fundraiser, and the Legislative Breakfast with Legislators and leaders from higher ed. and the technical colleges. Ms. Emily Price joined Ms. Barber to a prep class being taught by Ms. Turner at Layton Elementary where the students were learning a STEM activity making Circuit Christmas cards.

#### **Alisa Mercer**

Ms. Mercer attended Orchestra winter concerts at Muir El., South Davis Jr and Woods Cross High School, Mueller Park Evening of the Arts, Soup with the Supt, Polar Express Event at Boulton El, Woods Cross High School Wildcats Wishes and the Governor's Reading Symposium. A shout-out to the

Transportation Dept for their efforts in working through challenging busing situations. The highlight of the season was attending the December Dance at VISTA.

### **Kristen Hogan**

The Clearfield High School “Falcons are Fabulous” raised \$103,778.00 for the Safe Harbor Women’s Shelter. Principal Barker shared in an email, the impact that this Event had on everyone at the school, including himself.

### **Emily Price**

Ms. Price attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Speech Contest Awards, Community Council Meetings at Parkside El, and Horizon Jr High, North Davis Communities that Care, several Elementary Schools where they had the Elves and the Shoemaker, participated with her family in a service opportunity with the Family Community Christmas, Syracuse HS Choir and Band Concerts, and Cheer Competitions.

### **Brigit Gerrard**

Enjoyed the Elves and the Shoemaker, Light the World Giving Machines, and Christmas Concerts. Ms. Gerrard shared the details of The Vikings Give Event at Viewmont HS that helped 300 students.

### **Julie Powell**

Attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Awards, Legislative breakfast, Book Appeals, Audit Committee, the Davis Connect Report should be completed soon, and the Davis Education Foundation event in Centerville. Visited Farmington Jr. High and observed the great work they are doing and worked on some Sensitive Materials matters.

### **Joani Stevens**

Ms. Stevens expressed how it is a joy to watch students helping each other in these programs of giving. Enjoyed the Viewmont HS production of “Something Rotten”. Ms. Davies recognized the input from her students that helped in the success of this Play. Being a part of the Elves and the Shoemaker was magical.

## **Student-Body Reports**

### **Syracuse High School Student-Body Officers**

Miss Lauren Hamblin & Mr. Van Rice

As Student-Body Officers their goal is to improve student culture and provide a school of belonging. The assembly at the beginning of the year helped to bring students together. Every other year the school’s biggest fundraiser is March of the Titans. This year the money will go to Special Olympics Utah and Unified Sports. The sub-for-Santa raised money for those in need at Syracuse High and their feeder schools. The Girls Soccer team won the State Championship and there was a great send-off in the main hall. Girls Volleyball took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in State, and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in State for Unified Soccer. The Madrigals sung at the Elementary Schools, the Choir groups sang at the Tabernacle, there was a food drive that almost filled the Teen Center and was Syracuse High was recognized as a Banner School for Unified Sports.

### **Superintendent Report**

#### **Update for DSD Board Parent Engagement Night**

Dr. Logan Toone, Asst. Superintendent

Dr. Toone reviewed where we have been, where we are headed, the data collected so far and the next steps. He shared an outline of the Board/Parent Engagement Night and the tentative plan for the breakout sessions with Board Members. Superintendent Linford provided additional insight.

Answered questions from Board.

### **Consent Items**

1. Board Minutes  
Mr. Tim Leffel, Business Administrator
2. Financial Report  
Mr. Tim Leffel, Business Administrator
3. Personnel Report  
Ms. Chadli Bodily, Asst. Superintendent
4. Head Start/Early Head Start Reports  
Dr. Fidel Montero, Asst. Superintendent

Emily Price made a motion to approve Consent Items 1 – 4. Joani Stevens seconded the motion.

President Brigit Gerrard, Vice President Emily Price, Kristen Hogan, Julie Powell, Michelle Barber, Alisa Mercer, and Joani Stevens voted in favor. There was none in opposition. The motion carried.

### **Business Items**

#### **2026 Board Meeting Schedule with updated March and April Meetings**

Ms. Brigit Gerrard, Board President

Michelle Barber made a motion to approve the 2026 Board Meeting Schedule with updated March and April Meetings. Emily Price seconded the motion.

President Brigit Gerrard, Vice President Emily Price, Kristen Hogan, Julie Powell, Michelle Barber, Alisa Mercer, and Joani Stevens voted in favor. There was none in opposition. The motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

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President  
Board of Education  
Davis School District

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Business Administrator

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