

**WEBER SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**5320 Adams Avenue Parkway**  
**Ogden, UT**

**General Board Meeting**  
**October 2, 2024**

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 Ritchie	Board Vice President
Doug Hurst	Board Member
Janis Christensen	Board Member
Bruce Jardine	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

Musical Video Performance: Roy Jr. High Band Performing *Zombie Tango* by James Meredith & *Battle Hymn of the Republic* – Directed by Lena Wood

1. Pledge of Allegiance: Chris Painter, Roy Jr. High 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 – October 2024
  - H. Approval of New School Accountability Exemption
  - I. Approval to Repeal Policies 4193 *Medication and Medical Emergency*, Policy 4405 *Dissemination of Information About Juvenile Offenders*, 4510 *Off-Campus Physical Education and Athletic Competition Activities*, 4550 *Student Meetings*, 4194 *Reporting Abuse and Neglect of Minors*

3. Recognitions
  - A. Digital Teaching & Learning Team: Alan Rhees, Blake Pope, Monica Widdison and Jaymee Barrowes – *E+ Team Award*
  - B. Erica Cerda, Office Aide Sand Ridge Jr. High – *Extra Mile Award*
4. Presentation
  - A. Unified Sports Initiative/Program in Weber School District
5. Public Comment
6. Discussion/Action Items
  - A. Approval of 2025-2026 School Calendar – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
  - B. Approval of 180-Day Rule Waiver Request for West Field High School
  - C. Approval of Updated Policy 8200 *Libraries and Sensitive Materials* – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
  - D. Approval of New Policy 8250 *Sensitive Materials* – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
  - E. Approval of Updated Policy 4120 *Student Discrimination and Harassment* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
  - F. Approval of New Policy 4195 *Section 504 Accommodations* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
  - G. Approval of Updated Policy 6450 *Memorial* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
  - H. Approval of Updated Policy 6600 *Naming of School Facilities and Mascots* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

## **AGENDUM ITEM #2 – Consent Calendar**

### A. Minutes

That the minutes for the Study Session dated September 4, 2024 and General Board Meeting dated September 4, 2024 be approved.

### B. Warrant Register

That check numbers 00029124 through 00029406; and 00568476 through 00569640 totaling \$22,479,147.41 dated September 22, 2024, be approved.

### C. Budget Update

That the budget update dated September 22, 2024, be approved.

### D. New Hires

That the list of personnel changes and additions dated August 30, 2024 through September 26, 2024, be approved.

### E. Bid/Purchase Approvals

That the Purchase of Incident IQ Software be approved.

That the Purchase of Storage Arrays-WSD Data Center be approved.

That the Approval of the Purchase of Guardian Case Management System be approved.

That the Approval of the Purchase of Construction Simulator be approved.

F. Leave of Absence Requests

That Alyssa Foutz, Secondary Teacher at Roy High School be granted a leave of absence per her request.

That Brigitte Hunter, Mild/Moderate Special Education Teacher at Orchard Springs Elementary be granted a leave of absence per her request.

G. Approve LEA License and Endorsement Lists – October 2024

H. Approval of New School Accountability Exemption

I. Approval of Updates to Policies on Consent Calendar – Policy 4193 *Medication and Medical Emergency*, Policy 4405 *Dissemination of Information About Juvenile Offenders*, Policy 4510 *Off-Campus Physical Education and Athletic Competition Activities*, Policy 4550 *Student Meetings*, Policy 4194 *Reporting Abuse and Neglect of Minors*

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

Motion: Jan Burrell

Seconded: Janis Christensen

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

**AGENDUM ITEM #3 – Recognitions**

A. Digital Teaching & Learning Team: Alan Rhees, Blake Pope, Monica Widdison and Jaymee Barrowes – *E+ Team Award*

Digital Teaching & Learning Director Nick Harris introduced the Digital Teaching & Learning Specialists, Blake Pope, Alan Rhees, Monica Widdison, and Jaymee Barrowes. Nick shared a video that shows how amazing these people are. They help schools with cross curriculum and they travel throughout the district helping teachers learn technology. It was shared how they have been awesome to help, are very responsive, great with teachers and are very engaging. Professional Development breakouts have been so helpful and they have helped with the transition from My Student to PowerSchool. They also put on amazing quarterly trainings for Ed Techs. Their mission is to get people to use education technology appropriately and increase teacher efficiency. Learn Conference had so much work go into it behind the

scenes to make it successful. Nick concluded by letting each awardee introduce family in attendance.

B. Erica Cerda, Office Aide Sand Ridge Jr. High – *Extra Mile Award*

Secondary Education Assistant Director Matt Williams introduced Erica Cerda. It was explained that she knows everyone that comes into the office, makes everyone feel at ease and is helpful with Spanish speaking individuals. Parents always have a kind listening ear on the phone. She makes sure that all classes are covered with substitutes and is very organized. She always gives 100%, is always smiling and she never expects anything in return. She also cooks amazing food and shares it with everyone at the school! Erica introduced family in attendance.

**AGENDUM ITEM #4 – Presentation**

A. Unified Sports Initiative/Program in Weber School District

Foundation Director Emily Oyler shared the Christmas Tree Jubilee began as a special needs fund raiser and supports amazing programs like Unified Sports. Special Education Assistant Director Jared Abney explained how this program started with a soccer tournament combined with Ogden School District. A basketball tournament was also started. Unified Sport's goal is a strategy that engages schools in creating climates of social inclusion, acceptance, respect, and human dignity for all students with and without intellectual disabilities. Jared explained what this will look like over time with inclusion: Bringing people together, practice and mindset, celebrates difference and diversity, values and welcomes all as equal members and meaningful contributors and extends equity, dignity, empathy and opportunity to all. The Social inclusion piece he explained is when students with and without intellectual disabilities are engaged together in meaningful sports, social, leadership and academic opportunities so that they learn from each other and develop friendships. A video was shared from the recent Unified Soccer Tournament held at Bonneville High School. Principal Rich Murray explained how they partnered together to make this event happen and how the school is focusing on connection this year. They wanted to include all the teachers and classes. The event also included representatives from the sheriff and fire departments. The girls' soccer team refereed the event and the whole school was involved. Jared concluded by thanking everyone involved.

**AGENDUM ITEM #5 – Public Comment**

There were no public comment participants.

**AGENDUM ITEM #6 – Discussion/Action Item**

A. Approval of 2025-2026 School Calendar – First Reading

Secondary Education Assistant Director Matt Williams explained the calendar committee met last March and April and decided to have the 2025-2026 calendar out earlier. The calendar

was narrowed down to two options and sent out to all involved. It is recommended the Board approve the presented 2025-2026 school calendar on a first reading.

Motion: Doug Hurst

Seconded: Bruce Jardine

That the Approval of 2025-2026 School Calendar be approved on a first reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

#### B. Approval of the 180-Day Rule Waiver Request for West Field High School

Superintendent Gina Butters had Principal Mike Martini join her and explained to the Board how difficult it is to get the required 180 days in every school. It was explained how Westfield High School was originally scheduled to open on August 21<sup>st</sup>. However, on the 15th of August, the expected life safety inspection ran into problems. We were able to open the school on the 22nd with full occupancy, but teachers and students had still not been able to enter the school. This resulted in falling behind and school was started on September 3rd after Labor Day weekend. The issue we face is that we are not going to meet the statutory 180-day rule at West Field. Joseph Kerry, State School Board Member was present in the audience and Superintendent Butters will request a waiver this Friday to the State Board of Education. Construction delays contributed to the delay and so contingency plans were discussed including online instruction, extending the school year or take days off of breaks. It was decided to adjust the school schedule at West Field High School for the remainder of the year. Bell schedules were then explained.

Motion: Doug Hurst

Seconded: Janis Christensen

That the Approval of the 180-Day Rule Waiver Request for West Field High School be approved. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

#### C. Approval of Updated Policy 8200 *Libraries and Sensitive Materials* – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Legal Counsel Heidi Alder noted this policy has been amended. We created a new policy 8250 to meet all requirements by state law regarding sensitive materials. This applies to all learning materials. Sensitive material process has been removed and placed in a stand-alone policy. It is recommended the Board approve Updated Policy 8200 *Libraries and Sensitive Materials* on a first reading.

Motion: Jan Burrell

Seconded: Kelly Larson

That the Approval of Updated Policy 8200 *Libraries and Sensitive Materials* be approved on a first reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

#### D. Approval of New Policy 8250 *Sensitive Materials* - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Legal Counsel Heidi Alder noted this is the stand-alone policy for sensitive materials. It is recommended the Board approve New Policy 8250 *Sensitive Materials* on a first reading.

Motion: Jan Burrell

Seconded: Bruce Jardine

That the Approval of New Policy 8250 *Sensitive Materials* be approved on a first reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

E. Approval of Updated Policy 4120 *Student Accommodations* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Legal Counsel Heidi Alder noted there were no changes from last month. It is recommended the Board approve Updated Policy 4120 *Student Accommodations* on a second reading.

Motion: Jon Ritchie

Seconded: Bruce Jardine

That the Approval of Updated Policy 4120 *Student Accommodations* be approved on a second reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

F. Approval of New Policy 4195 *Section 504 Student Accommodations* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Legal Counsel Heidi Alder noted there have been no changes since the last reading. It is recommended the Board approve New Policy 4195 *Section 504 Student Accommodations* on a second reading.

Motion: Janis Christensen

Seconded: Jon Ritchie

That the Approval of New Policy 4195 *Section 504 Student Accommodations* be approved on a second reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

G. Approval of Updated Policy 6450 *Memorial* -2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Legal Counsel Heidi Alder noted one small change was made by the committee regarding post mortem diplomas and that they can be awarded by principals. It is recommended the Board approve Updated Policy 6450 *Memorial* on a second reading.

Motion: Janis Christensen

Seconded: Jan Burrell

That the Approval of Updated Policy 6450 *Memorial* be approved on a second reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

H. Approval of Updated Policy 6600 *Naming of School Facilities and Mascots* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Legal Counsel Heidi Alder noted the committee added that suggested names for schools or mascots should be culturally appropriate. It is recommended the Board approve Updated Policy 6600 *Naming of School Facilities and Mascots* on a second reading.

Motion: Bruce Jardine

Seconded: Jan Burrell

That the Approval of Updated Policy 6600 *Naming of School Facilities and Mascots* be approved on a second reading. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**AGENDUM ITEM #7 – Closed Session**

Closed meeting according to provisions of Utah Code 52-4-204,205

A. This is a strategy session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

Motion: Jon Ritchie

Seconded: Jan Burrell

Roll Call Vote:

Board Member Kelly Larson - aye  
Board Member Jan Burrell – aye  
Board Member Bruce Jardine - aye  
Board Member Janis Christensen – aye  
Board Member Douglas Hurst – aye  
Board Vice President Jon Ritchie - aye  
Board President Paul Widdison – aye

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

Closed Session convened at 7:20 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the Closed Session and reconvene into General Session.

Motion: Jan Burrell

Seconded: Kelly Larson

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

Closed Session adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

General Session reconvened at 8:26 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the General Session of Board Meeting

Motion: Janis Christensen

Seconded: Bruce Jardine

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

General Board Meeting adjourned at 8:27p.m.