

**Board of Education Minutes – 4:00 p.m.
Administration Building, Farmington, UT
Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

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Board Members Present

President Liz Mumford, Vice President Brigit Gerrard, John Robison, Kristen Hogan, Emily Price, Julie Powell, and Derek Lamb

Administration Present

Superintendent Dan Linford, Business Administrator Craig Carter, Asst. Superintendent Logan Toone, Asst. Superintendent Fidel Montero

Administration Excused

Asst. Superintendent John Zurbuchen

Introductory Items

Welcome and Introductions

Pres. Liz Mumford

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Julie Powell

Public Comment Period

Tracy Jones – Veteran. What books are next if we remove the Bible. Keep Bible in all schools.

Mary Choate – on the Sensitive Materials Committee. Shared importance of the process.

Cheryl Phipps – previous Board member expressed appreciation for their service.

LeNina Wimmer – Teacher at Farmington HS shared experience with the Summit platform and working hard to make it better. Speaking for Farmington HS Social Studies, English, Math, and Science they will not offer classes in both Summit and Canvas.

Kallyn Gren – DEA Vice President over Elementary School Teachers is grateful to the Board for approving the recent negotiated agreement.

Jennifer Savage – thankful to the Board for their hard work. Suggested a review of the sensitive material policy.

Kristin vanBrunt – Teacher in the District. Recognized the efforts to look at each book individually.

Terra Cooper – thanks the Board and District for their hard work and professionalism, especially after the unkind comments from the Legislature. The District followed the Law.

Grace Olsen – spoke about the Legislature and book bans. Re-evaluate the ban on the Bible.

Alyson Farmer – Kays Creek Elementary Librarian. Value of books. District is following the Law.

Consent Items

Item 1 - Board Minutes:

Presenter: Mr. Craig Carter, Business Administrator

Brigit Gerrard made a motion to approve Consent Item 1. Emily Price seconded the motion.

President Liz Mumford, Vice President Brigit Gerrard, John Robison, Kristen Hogan, Emily Price, Julie Powell, and Derek Lamb voted in favor. There was none in opposition. The motion carried.

Item 2 – Board Appeal Committee Recommendation was moved to Business Items.

Business Items

Board Appeal Committee Recommendation

Dr. Logan Toone, Asst. Superintendent

Outlined the process that began in December 2022, when a person that has standing in our District, requested a review of the appropriateness of the inclusion of the Bible in our schools.

Recommendation to the Board is to consider the Bible, the King James Version, to be considered age appropriate for Elementary, Junior High and High School students. This means that the total of 8 Bibles that were removed from the handful of Elementary and Junior High Schools, would be restored.

Each Board member shared their thoughts and appreciation for the efforts and hard work of the Appeal Committee and how they conducted themselves and followed the law during this process. They also expressed the importance in honoring the process and the policy. That is what protects freedom of speech, freedom of religion and our ability to evaluate books in our media centers effectively.

Brigit Gerrard made a motion to approve the Proposal of the Board Appeal Committee Recommendation to reinstate the Bible in all levels of Davis School District libraries, where it had previously been removed. John Robison seconded the motion.

President Liz Mumford, Vice President Brigit Gerrard, John Robison, Kristen Hogan, Emily Price, Julie Powell, and Derek Lamb voted in favor. There was none in opposition. The motion carried.

USBE Mental Health Screener Participation Designation according to House Bill 403

Mr. Devin Healey, Student & Family Resources

John Robison made a motion to approve the USBE Mental Health Screener Participation Designation. Brigit Gerrard seconded the motion.

President Liz Mumford, Vice President Brigit Gerrard, John Robison, Kristen Hogan, Emily Price, Julie Powell, and Derek Lamb voted in favor. There was none in opposition. The motion carried.

Syracuse High School Public Utility Easement

Mr. Craig Carter, Business Administrator

Emily Price made a motion to approve the Syracuse High School Public Utility Easement. Kristen Hogan seconded the motion.

President Liz Mumford, Vice President Brigit Gerrard, John Robison, Kristen Hogan, Emily Price, Julie Powell, and Derek Lamb voted in favor. There was none in opposition. The motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

**Board Workshop
Immediately Following Business Meeting – 5:00 p.m.**

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Welcome

President Liz Mumford

AGENDA ITEMS

Final Audit Report on Procurement

Mr. John Robison, the Audit Committee and Superintendent Dan Linford, previously met on a Zoom call, with our Auditors from BDO in Denver. Ms. Jill Matter and Ms. Sonya LaVeau represented BDO. There was an extensive review of the Davis School District Procurement Audit. Mr. Robison recognized Mr. Carter, Ms. Peterson, Mr. Leffel and Mr. Lee from our District that were also directly involved in the audit. The final results will be presented at the July Board meeting for approval.

Ms. Matter from BDO, was invited to present the results and recommendations to the Board.

Summit Report

Dr. Logan Toone, Asst. Superintendent followed up on the motion made in March regarding Summit Learning. Dr. Toone met with the Superintendency, Secondary School Directors and Principals of Summit Schools.

The Board motion has 4 parts and reads:

The Board directs the Administration to develop and implement a school-based framework for responding to Summit concerns by the end of the school year with the following components:

- Identify all students struggling with the platform.
- Conduct school focus groups.
- Determine and address common problems and barriers.
- Offer reasonable accommodations including an on-site alternative.

Dr. Toone's power point presentation outlined the results from survey's that were emailed to students and parents from both Summit and non-Summit Schools. Many phone calls were made from the schools to homes to obtain the most correct data. Feedback received from community members and school personnel.

Mr. Derek Lamb from the Board expressed his own frustrations along with those from about 50 parents who have students struggling in our Summit schools.

Mr. John Robison shared experiences about the value and importance of using data. He also spoke to the 5 years and thousands of students that have graduated from Farmington HS. Asked for clarification for on-site alternatives to Summit.

Ms. Brigit Gerrard expressed appreciation for the hard work and efforts of everyone involved to obtain the data we needed in moving forward.

Ms. Liz Mumford asked Dr. Toone questions to better understand the data received from the Surveys.

Discussion continued regarding focus groups, on-site and in-person teaching alternatives, student focus groups, what will be available when school begins in August and parents having conversations with their schools about their concerns etc.

Syracuse Interlocal Agreement

Mr. Craig Carter, Business Administrator met with Syracuse City to discuss a project that can generate jobs and turn agricultural land into a lucrative tax paying property.

Mr Steel, Director of Economic Development and Brody Bovero, City Manager presented slides that show where the project area will be. This area is about 300 acres. Goal is to provide light industrial development and commercial retail buildings.

The detail of this project will be on our July business item for Board approval.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:15 p.m.

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