WEBER SCHOOL DISTRICT

5320 Adams Avenue Parkway Ogden, UT

Study Session September 7, 2022

The Board of Education of Weber School District held a Study Session in the Superintendent's Office at 5320 Adams Avenue Parkway, Washington Terrace, Utah. The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. The following Board Members and Superintendency were present:

Jon Ritchie **Board President Board Vice President** Dean Oborn Doug Hurst **Board Member** Paul Widdison **Board Member** Bruce Jardine **Board Member** Jan Burrell **Board Member** Janis Christensen **Board Member** Gina Butters Superintendent

Clyde Moore Assistant Superintendent
Dave Hales Assistant Superintendent
Robert Petersen Business Administrator

Also attending, Uniserve Director Barbera Whitman, WEA President Jenny Graviet and teacher Cecilia Garduno.

Superintendent Butters asked Facilities Director Larry Hadley to discuss the water shares exchange with Riverdale Bench Water on the consent calendar. Larry noted for the new elementary and high schools' culinary systems, we will use Taylor and West Weber Culinary. To gain water we propose to exchange 50 shares of Riverdale Bench Water for Taylor - West Weber Water. We have been asked to sell our additional 178 shares and Riverdale Bench Water would like us to open shares inside the district boundaries for purchase. Inside district purchase prices are \$800 per share. If we do not receive the asking price, we will retain the shares for Riverdale Bench Water. For the new junior high, Bona Vista is the culinary outlet. They do not require shares and meters are already in place. Secondary water for the new junior high is Weber Basin and assessments have already been prepaid. For elementary and high school, secondary system will be Hooper Irrigation. It was noted the sixteen shares for Weber Basin will be restructured to purchase back Taylor shares. Board Member Jan Burrell asked if there is a need to retain any Riverdale Bench Water shares. It was explained they are not needed and Board Member Paul Widdison noted in Riverdale there is nowhere left to expand. In conclusion Larry noted 50 shares we trade will also cover eight lots we own out west.

Business Administrator Robert Petersen updated the Board on an Interlocal Agreement with West Haven City. Robert explained the process we went through when Sough Ogden Jr. High was built, South Ogden City paid for the extra building. West Haven City would like to add on to the gym area and double the size. The cost of \$3.1 million will be paid by West Haven City for the added space. The city will use this extra gym for their recreation programs. The agreement explains when it may be used by the city. We also will share maintenance and utility costs. President Jon

Ritchie noted how great it is to have this agreement with West Haven City. It was noted they will have their own separate entrance to the gym. District Legal Counsel Heidi Alder helped draft the agreement and it has been approved by West Haven's City Council.

Superintendent Butters noted Heidi Alder and Nick Harris have worked hard on the library policy revisions. Heidi noted the following additions or changes made to Policy 8200 Sensitive Materials/Library Policy: Prior to revisions we didn't have a purpose and philosophy statement. This statement now reflects the districts philosophy that students have the right to receive ideas. Added in response, the district believes parents are primarily responsible for the education of their students learning and to be involved. The district will accommodate any parent request to not allow their child to access instructional materials. References to statutes used in the law defining sensitive material and definition of the law was added. Selection and De-Selection Criteria and Procedures added a section in response to how books came to be in the library. Provision was added when library/media center specialist is reviewing materials, if it denotes content is sexual in nature they are required to not only look at reviews but go a step further to look at a book as a whole. When library/media center specialist is reviewing material, they are to look at 3 -5 reliable sources including sources from parent reviews when available. Library/media center specialist will look at entire book and determine by legal definition if pornographic. Provision added if specific title is subject to reconsideration, it will be listed on our district website. A community member may request reconsideration of material. A limited number of three requests can be made per person. How often same book can be submitted to the reconsideration committee on rational based on a three-year cycle. Change made concerning if challenging a book, why parent is asked to meet with library specialist, they can instead submit reconsideration form to administrator. Changes made to the makeup of a committee, will now specify the number of parents on the committee. Three parents selected: One PTA member, one from school community council and one parent selected randomly. Parents will serve on committee for one school year. Possible change would be adding a teacher to the committee with knowledge in the content area. If a teacher has instructional material to check out, they must go through same process.

Meeting adjourned at p.m. 5:58