

DUCHESNE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

May 9, 2024

District Office 1010 East 200 North, Roosevelt, Utah

OFFICERS: President Tony Smith presided with Board Members Brandon Bench, Don Busenbark, and Emilee Wells present, as well as Superintendent Jason Young and Business Administrator Dee E. Miles. Board Member Mark Thacker was excused.

VISITORS:

Gwen Prescott	Lacey Bradshaw	Sharon Smith	Diane Bennett
Phillip Bertoch	Diana Negus	Julie Seeley	Les Bennett
Mike Ross	Kimberley Murray	Cheryl Boren	
Kendra Embleton	Rauni Guffey	Cicile Rios	

WORK SESSION: The Board discussed District leadership assignments and employee compensation.

REGULAR SESSION: President Smith called the regular session to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Bench offered prayer. Mr. Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

AGENDA, MINUTES: Mr. Busenbark moved and Ms. Wells seconded to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held April 11, 2024; voting was unanimous in the affirmative. Audio recording is available at: <https://www.utah.gov/pmn>.

RECOGNITION: A Children’s Justice Center was presented the community partner award and Extra Degree awards were presented to Lacey Bradshaw and Diane Bennett for their exceptional contributions to student success.

OPEN TIME: With no one signed up to address the Board, President Smith continued with the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Travel Requests
 - a. Computer Science Professionals to ISTE Conference in Denver June 23-26 – Four teachers and District Tech would attend. Mr. Busenbark moved to approve. Ms. Wells seconded; passed unanimously.
2. Buildings – Superintendent Young reported Duchesne High construction is progressing according to plan.
3. Employee Compensation Package 2024-2025 – Mr. Miles reported the Legislature increased the ESA from 8400 to 8904, and TSSA funds add-on can be increased from 1,500 to 1,620. Insurance cost did not increase. The proposed compensation package includes funding steps and lanes, and a six percent increase to the base schedules. Mr. Bench moved to approve. Ms. Wells seconded; passed unanimously.
4. Tabiona 4-Day School Week Application – The Board reviewed the application and performance statistics of the school that are at or above average for the District. Mr. Bench moved to approve. Mr. Busenbark seconded; passed unanimously.
5. UB Tech Board Appointment – Mr. Busenbark moved to appoint Ms. Wells to represent the Board. Mr. Bench seconded; passed unanimously.
6. 2024-2025 School Board Meeting Schedule – Superintendent Young reviewed the proposed schedule. Mr. Busenbark noted the school venues could move to a larger room for more space. Mr. Bench moved to approve. Ms. Wells seconded; passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Policy 1st Reading: 5.0713.01 Gang Participation and Weapons Possession – Superintendent Young reviewed the update to add clarity and ensure it applies broadly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Busenbark moved and Mr. Bench seconded that the Board go into executive session to discuss personnel; aye votes: Mr. Bench, Mr. Busenbark, Ms. Wells, Mr. Smith. Nay votes: none. Motion passed. President Smith closed the regular session at 7:50 p.m. Mr. Bench moved and Mr. Busenbark seconded that the Board go out of executive session at 8:40 p.m.; passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT / FUTURE PLANNING: Mr. Busenbark moved to adjourn, Mr. Bench seconded. President Smith closed the meeting at 8:42 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held Thursday, June 6, 2024, at the District Office, 1010 East 200 North, Roosevelt, Utah.