

DUCHESNE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR SESSION

March 7, 2024

District Office 1010 East 200 North, Roosevelt, Utah

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

VISITORS:

Gwen Prescott	Stacy Clayburn	Michaëlle Slaugh	Lynn Sorensen	Shelby Thayne
Mike Ross	Jennifer Jenkins	Bruce Guymon	Julia Misiego	Deegan Brokaw
Janalee Goodrich	Suzzy Rowley	Halee Ficklin	Danita Hinton	Cameron Olson
Kendra Embleton	Shane Rowley	Kimberley Murray	Mona Farnsworth	Diana Olson
Dave Green	Natalie Miles	Brett Miles	Jennifer Jenkins	Wendy Rasmussen
Jesse Fieldsted	Andrea Schoenfeld	Mike Taylor	Deborah Herron	Amanda Fausett
Ashley Quick	Rauni Guffey	Shelby Thayne	Gustavo Duque	Ed Goodrich

WORK SESSION: The Board discussed results of the legislative session and progress on a District attendance and citizenship program.

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

AGENDA, MINUTES: Mr. Bench moved and Mr. Busenbark seconded to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held February 8, 2024 and special meeting held February 20, 2024 adding an adjustment that Mr. Bench was attending remotely; voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

RECOGNITION: The Roosevelt Jr. High orchestra performed for the Board. State of Utah presented the Linda Mayne Award to Loa Kay (Bink) Bowthorpe. Extra Degree awards were presented to Ashley Quick, Stacy Clayburn, Jennifer Jenkins, Suzie Rowley, Natalie Miles, Megan Eschler, and Sheila Birchell for their exceptional contributions to student success. The first year with the UHS debate team they took region, and the academic decathlon team brought home many awards.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Dave Green and Jesse Fieldsted, Union High Administrators, reported on their new credit recovery program, graduation rate up 7% from 2022 to 2023, and college readiness coursework increased. Students and staff are recognized monthly. Several programs promote mental health. Goals included increasing ACT scores. Board visits to schools included Tabiona and a review of math instruction and the first trial phase of the ABC's student accountability system. The Adult Ed and Basin Online programs were also visited and doing well.

OPEN TIME: At 7:45 p.m. President Smith noted no one had signed up to speak during open time.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Policy 2nd Reading: 3.0411.02 Sick Leave, Maternity, Paternity, & Bereavement Leave – Superintendent Young noted the expansion of the bereavement and maternity leave and the addition of paternity leave. Mr. Busenbark moved to approve. Mr. Bench seconded; passed unanimously.
2. DCSD Adult Ed Course Descriptions – Dave Green reviewed the changes to the courses offered that are also now managed by the Canvas learning management system. Courses are also being used at the correctional facility. Mr. Bench moved to approve. Mr. Thacker seconded; passed unanimously.
3. Fee Schedule Hearing – Mr. Busenbark moved to open a hearing, Ms. Wells seconded. There being no public comments, Mr. Busenbark moved to close the hearing, Mr. Bench seconded. Mr. Busenbark

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clarified the maximum fee amount allowed. Mr. Busenbark moved to approve the schedule of student fees. Ms. Wells seconded; passed unanimously.

4. School Trustlands Reports – Postponed for next month.
5. Travel Requests – None.
6. Buildings – DHS construction is moving forward well with the good weather.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Policy 1st Reading: 2.0500.01 - .03 Parking and Traffic on School Grounds – Superintendent Young noted updates to the policy.
2. Duchesne Arts Council – Donita, Julia, Mona, Jennifer, and Deborah reviewed their mission and the courses and events they sponsored the past year for adults and youth. They support many school events as well.
3. Wellness Update – Halee Ficklin reported on the new wellness program and a Federal funding grant for the next five years. The program has goals for students and staff with potential to directly impact 30% of the County.
4. Calendar: USBA Regional Meeting March 12, Cafe Rio, 6 p.m.; Retirement Banquet May 6th, UHS, 6 p.m.; Teacher of the Year May 14th, District Office, 11:30 a.m. The Board made plans to attend.
5. High School Graduation Assignments – The Board made assignments to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT / FUTURE PLANNING: Mr. Thacker moved to adjourn, Mr. Bench seconded. President Smith closed the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held Thursday, April 11, 2024, at the District Office, 1010 East 200 North, Roosevelt, Utah.