

WEBER SCHOOL DISTRICT
5320 Adams Avenue Parkway
Ogden, UT

Study Session
May 6, 2026

The Board of Education of Weber School District held a Study Session in the Board Room at 5320 Adams Avenue, Ogden, Utah. The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. The following Board Members and Superintendency were present:

Doug Hurst	Board Vice President
Janis Christensen	Board Member
Jan Burrell	Board Member
Kelly Larson	Board Member
Wyle Williams	Board Member
Gina Butters	Superintendent
Clyde Moore	Assistant Superintendent
Dave Hales	Assistant Superintendent
Brock Mitchell	Business Administrator

Board President Paul Widdison and Board Member Bruce Jardine were excused.

Business Administrator Brock Mitchell introduced Matt Dugdale from Stifel who shared an update on the district bond refunding. Matt explained Weber School District has just saved tax payers over \$1.5 million on bond refunding. The Boards early action paved the way for success with a parameter's resolution adopted back in December. Strategic financing process led to successful outcomes for the district. It was explained, to save money the 2013 bonds were restructured and this took about three years off of the bonds and four years off of the 2014 bonds. The district's credit rating profile resulted in a strong credit rating. Moody's gave the district a AA3 level. Because of action in December, we entered the market before the current disruption. By refinancing the bonds, the district saved the tax payers \$3.178 million through 2034. It was also noted several companies bided on the district's bonds. Brock concluded noting he appreciates the partnership with Stifel.

Board Member Janis Christensen shared that the USBA has an ongoing endeavor for building better boards. New Board member institute will be held in December. She encouraged Board members to be more involved with USBA online and the ongoing education they have available. Reminder that Master Board certification is being revamped and will be available in the next few months.

Vice President Doug Hurst opened the meeting up for a discussion on the status of the Roy Jr. High gym. Board Member Jan Burrell asked for a delay to collect all the needed information, look into different companies for bids, and asked anytime there is a walkthrough, the Board be informed so that they can be included in the conversation. Board Member Wyle Williams thanked Superintendent Butters for meeting with all those involved in the discussion and noted after the meeting, he is asking to reconsider the demolition of the gym. Board

Member Kelly Larson shared she has looked into the Roy Jr. High gym and thinks as a Board, they need to look at a 5-year long term plan on capital improvements. Superintendent Butters explained that we are looking into a second estimate with Westland Construction and if the Board decides to invest in this project, the RFP process would then go forward. We are planning once an estimate is received, we will do a walk through with all the key players. This process has brought to awareness with the committees that it is difficult to get to the Board about everything that is going on. Also, Superintendent Butters noted Executive Facilities Director Larry Hadley has a plan for every school and capital project needs, and will make sure there is better communication notifying Board members.

Superintendent Butters updated the Board on the positive happenings around the district by highlighting Riverdale Elementary has recently received a Disney grant.

Public Information and Safety Officer Lane Findlay updated the Board on safety updates and the status of the SRO (School Resource Officer) contract. The current contract is up at the end of the year. We are trying to determine what the formula will be on the cost per officer and the process. A timeline of costs was shared noting that ten years ago, the District was paying about \$36,000 per officer, a 50/50 split. This changed about four years ago when they asked that we pay 100%. We negotiated three years ago on a 70/30 split. Currently the District is paying \$88,000 per officer. We have 15 full and 1 half time officer. We are projecting increases and are still working on the agreement, and looking into a 5 years contract. We would pay 75% of the annual cost from the time school starts to when school ends, no summer pay.

Students Services Director Jennifer Warren and Curriculum Director Alicia Mitchell presented on a compliance requirement for the following: Teen pregnancy, child sexual abuse and sexually transmitted disease and infections. Statistic information was obtained from the State Board of Education. Graphs were shared on sexually transmitted diseases, infections by age for all of Utah, and adolescent birth rates for ages 15-19. Child protective services FY25 in review was shared for State wide data, not county specific; victims by age, and pornography incidents 2024-2025.

Curriculum Director Alicia Mitchell shared the health education curriculum and instruction requirements, about sex education to students, and sex education instruction definitions. Training is provided through USBE canvas course and required every three years for all educators giving instruction in any topic included in the definition of sex education. Our district followed a clearly defined process for reviewing curriculum in Policy 8800 *Selection of Learning Materials* and Policy 8250 *Sensitive Materials*. Weber School District Content Review Committee consists of 5 parents, 2 teachers, 1 administrator, 1 district administrator and 1 Board Member.

Meeting adjourned at 5:59p.m.