

MINUTES OF THE BOARD RECEPTION/OPEN HOUSE
Held at Centennial Jr. High Media Center in Kaysville, Utah
November 3, 2015, at 4:16 p.m.

Members of the Board present: President Gordon Eckersley, Vice President Mona Andrus, Kathie Bone, Tamara Lowe, Barbara Smith, Larry Smith, Julie Tanner, and Juliane Berglund, Student Board Member.

Administrators present: Dr. W. Bryan Bowles, Superintendent; Craig Carter, Business Administrator; Craig Poll, Assistant Superintendent; Pam Park, Assistant Superintendent; Rulon Homer, Secondary School Director; Dave Tanner, Secondary School Director; John Sheffield, Elementary School Director; Gwen Hill, Elementary School Director; Helene Van Natter, Elementary School Director; Michelle Beus, Legal Specialist; Chris Williams, Community Relations Director; Patty Norman, Curriculum & Instruction Director; Belinda Kuck, Curriculum & Instruction Assistant Director; and Logan Toone, Assessment Director.

Gordon Eckersley, President, welcomed the audience to the Board Reception/Community Discussion, and called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.

President Eckersley introduced the Board Members.

Kathleen Chronister, Cluster Chair, welcomed everyone to Centennial Jr. High. Each principal in the Davis High cluster introduced their guests. The Davis High cluster includes the following schools: Davis High, Mountain High, Family Enrichment, Community School/Adult Education, Centennial Jr. High, Kaysville Jr. High, Burton Elementary, Columbia Elementary, Endeavour Elementary, Heritage Elementary, Morgan Elementary, Kaysville Elementary, Knowlton Elementary, Snow Horse Elementary, and Windridge Elementary.

Community Discussion

Mr. Smith asked for comments from administrators, teachers, and parents regarding: What do you want the Davis Board of Education to be aware of this year? What barriers have kept you from being successful? What can be done to remove those barriers? He asked the audience to discuss in groups (i.e., in schools) and then select someone to report out. The audience was allowed 15 minutes to discuss in their groups before reporting.

The following reports were made:

Davis High reported on the importance of the School Community Council and would like to see a District Community Council. Would like to see the questions presented here in August so they could have time to discuss.

Mountain High reported on transportation concerns for their unique student body. They also need additional classrooms, storage, a commons area, and science labs.

Family Enrichment spoke about the population they serve and the many different types of services they provide.

Centennial Junior High reported the need for technology replenishment; consistency of schedule throughout the district; and funding for staff and teacher salaries.

Kaysville Junior High reported on some growing pains with the 5X5 schedule and their Community Council's involvement in digital citizenship education for students and parents.

Burton Elementary would like a more open dialogue with the District and the Board. They also spoke about security issues and the need for surveillance cameras at their location.

Columbia Elementary thanked the Board for supporting teacher salary increases when funding became available.

Endeavour Elementary expressed concern with growth and lack of space in the school. They are a 1to1 school but don't have funding to support that.

Heritage Elementary reported the need for more time. Would like to see more professional days funded.

Time did not allow for the following schools to report: Morgan Elementary; Kaysville Elementary; Knowlton Elementary; Snow Horse Elementary; Windridge Elementary.

Mr. Eckersley thanked everyone for attending the Board Reception/Community Discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. to go into the regular Board of Education Meeting.

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Held at Centennial Jr. High Media Center in Kaysville, Utah
November 3, 2015, at 5:35 p.m.**

Members of the Board present: President Gordon Eckersley, Vice President Mona Andrus, Kathie Bone, Tamara Lowe, Barbara Smith, Larry Smith, Julie Tanner, and Juliane Berglund, Student Board Member.

Administrators present: Dr. W. Bryan Bowles, Superintendent; Craig Carter, Business Administrator; Pam Park, Assistant Superintendent; Rulon Homer, Secondary School Director; Dave Tanner, Secondary School Director; John Sheffield, Elementary School Director; Gwen Hill, Elementary School Director; Helene Van Natter, Elementary School Director; Michelle Beus, Legal Specialist; and Chris Williams, Community Relations Director.

Gordon Eckersley, President, welcomed the audience to the Board Meeting, and called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Welcome and Announcements

President Gordon Eckersley welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting. He announced the upcoming Northern Utah STEM Expo at the Davis Conference Center on November 9.

Pledge of Allegiance

Larry Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Musical Performance

God Bless America was performed by Rolling Thunder. The group was directed by Mrs. Avant and accompanied by Kenzy Cardon.

Remarks – Principal Aaron Hogge

Mr. Hogge welcomed the Board to Centennial Jr. High School.

STUDENT BOARD RECOGNITION

The Board honored Tage Rinehart, a 9th grade student at Centennial Jr. High who excels academically and is a great citizen and friend.

CONSENT ITEMS

Item 1 – Board Minutes

Item 2 – Financial Report

Item 3 – Personnel Report

Item 4 – Board Calendar

Item 5 – Head Start/Early Head Start Report

Tamara Lowe made a motion to approve Items 1-5. Larry Smith seconded the motion.

President Gordon Eckersley, Vice President Mona Andrus, Kathie Bone, Tamara Lowe, Barbara Smith, Larry Smith, and Julie Tanner voted in favor. There were none in opposition.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS ITEMS

No Comments were made on Business Items

BUSINESS ITEMS

2016 Board Meeting Calendar

Julie Tanner made a motion to approve the 2016 Board Meeting Calendar. Tamara Lowe seconded the motion.

President Gordon Eckersley, Vice President Mona Andrus, Kathie Bone, Tamara Lowe, Barbara Smith, Larry Smith, and Julie Tanner voted in favor. There were none in opposition.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Mona Andrus and Michelle Beus presented the following policies that have been updated by staff to reflect requirements of Legislative action and/or State Board rule.

Policy 4I-002 - Graduation Requirements

Updated consistent with changes in State law on requirement to pass a basic civics test as a condition for receiving a high school diploma or adult education secondary diploma. This requirement applies to the graduating class of 2016 forward.

Policy 5S-100 - Student Conduct and Discipline

Updated consistent with changes in State law related to parental notification and maintenance of student records involving student suicide threat and involvement in bullying. Updated consistent with changes in State rule related to standards of emergency safety interventions. Reorganized to more closely mirror the chronological order in which actions would naturally occur in the school setting.

Policy 6F-102 - Facility Rental Permit and Use Policy

Updated to comply with change in State law. Organizer of event using a school as a civic center must reside within the boundaries of the school district.

Policy 2HR-004 - Employee Discipline and Dismissal Policy

Utah law requires the definition of a “temporary employee” be determined by agreement between employee associations and staff. Staff has reached agreement with the associations to modify the definition allowing part-time employees to be subject to performance evaluations and the ability to achieve career status. Updates consistent with changes in State law on career employee exhibiting both unsatisfactory performance and for cause conduct.

Policy 2HR-201 - Employee and Volunteer Background Checks and Employee Personal Reporting of Arrests

Updated consistent with changes in State law and administrative rule requiring individuals desiring to be employed by or volunteer to perform services for the District to submit to a criminal background check and ongoing monitoring as a condition for employment or appointment.

Michelle Beus told the Board that the State Board has already proposed additional revisions to the Rule. If changes to the policy are necessary, you may see this policy on the agenda again.

Board and Superintendent Reports

Julie Tanner reported she attended Davis and Viewmont’s soccer game and the Diversity Celebration hosted by the Equity Committee. She also had the opportunity to be interviewed by a young man working on his Boy Scout merit badge. It was a very positive experience.

Barbara Smith reported she attended the Bountiful Communities That Care event at Woods Cross High. The topic was how technology affects the brain of children.

Kathie Bone reported she has been attending the Head Start Policy Council meetings. This is a positive experience allowing parents to develop leadership skills.

Bryan Bowles reported numbers on the October 1st count. This year’s count for all students, including special education and preschool students, is 71,910.

Mona Andrus reported she has attended two Technology Committee Meetings. She also reported that she and Craig Carter will be voting shortly on the Bountiful RDA. Please let them know if you have any concerns.

Tamara Lowe reported on the NFUSSD conference in Salt Lake City hosted by the Granite School District this year. She also thanked the staff for all their work on the Bond.

Juliane Berglund reported that students have made it through the first term. Yeah!

Gordon Eckersley congratulated Davis High Girls' Soccer Team for taking State. He has also visited the Family Community Learning Center. He spoke about Vae View Elementary, identified as a turnaround school by the State, and how positive they are, not making excuses, but rather, what are we going to do to be successful.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The following comments were made:

Aaron Hogge, Principal of Centennial Junior High, thanked the Board for coming to the school and introduced some of his staff. He spoke about some of the accomplishments of the school, including an average GPA of 3.58 this term. The school consistently has an average GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Tamara Lowe made a motion to adjourn. Kathie Bone seconded the motion.

President Gordon Eckersley, Vice President Mona Andrus, Kathie Bone, Tamara Lowe, Barbara Smith, Larry Smith, and Julie Tanner voted in favor. There were none in opposition.

The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.