Garfield County School District
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AGENDA OF GARFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT WORK MEETING

The Board of Directors
County School District

A Garfield County School District Work Meeting of the Board of Directors of County School District will be held Thursday, May 28, 2026, beginning at 3:00 PM in the Garfield County Courthouse, 55 S Main St., Panguitch, UT 84759.

If necessary, an executive session may be held in accordance with the Utah Code 52-4-205 (Purpose of Closed Meetings). One or more members of the Board may participate telephonically in accordance with Utah Code 52-4-207 (Electronic Meetings).
Note: Board Meeting Schedule subject to change.
The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

I. Work Meeting
   A. Welcome
II. Discussion Items
   A. Hiring Policy
      DKAA
   B. Affordable Housing
   C. Apex Center
   D. Teacher Attendance Incentives
   E. Bryce Valley CTE Position
III. Policy Updates
IV. Review Board Agenda
V. Executive Session

1. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
2. Discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
3. Strategy to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
4. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
5. Strategy to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real estate.
6. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal conduct.

VI. Adjournment

Notice of this meeting was .

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For the Board

Garfield School District

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I. Work Meeting

I.A. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 3:21 PM. All Board members were present including April Lefevre, Ralph Perkins, Curtis Barney, Jared Brems, and Myron Cottam. Superintendent John Dodds and Business Administrator Lane Mecham were also present.

II. Discussion Items

II.A. Hiring Policy

Superintendent led the Board through the hiring process and policy. The Board asked various questions about the processes and suggested changes to the policy and process being presented.

II.B. Affordable Housing

Lane provided an update about an ongoing effort to work with a development company and Tropic Town on affordable housing. Lane reported that a reputable development company was engaging with the District to purchase some surplus property in the near future for the purpose of constructing affordable housing. Lane reported that Tropic Town Council was generally supportive of the idea and are prepared to engage in land exchanges to facilitate the construction of a softball field and affordable housing. The Board expressed their support for pursuing the projects.

II.C. Apex Center

Lane provided an update to the Board on the ongoing process related to the Apex Center being considered. He presented the current design being considered for the facility, the programs being considered, the scheduling and enrollment considerations, and also some of the concerns being reported.

II.D. Teacher Attendance Incentives

Superintendent suggested incorporating more incentives to reward employees. The Board agreed and expressed support to explore ways to reward employees and pursue incentives.

II.E. Bryce Valley CTE Position

A motion was made to go into executive session for item #1 and #4. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

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