

NOVEMBER 2013 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education was held on November 12, 2013 at the Piute County Commission Chambers in Junction, Utah. President Derrin Jensen called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Present were Marty Morgan, Erin Jensen, Derrin Jensen, Joyce Sudweeks and Rickey Dalton. Also present were Superintendent Shane Erickson and Business Administrator Jeff Barben. Guests at the meeting were Paula Wilde, Kristy Delange, Don Yates, Dan Springer and Matt Belliston.

Work Meeting

A work meeting of the Piute County Board of Education was held at 3:00 p.m. Board members received training on Crucial Conversations from Superintendent Erickson. A handout entitled "10 Meeting Time Wasters" was also discussed.

I. Opening Remarks

Opening remarks were by Joyce Sudweeks

President Derrin Jensen welcomed everyone to Board Meeting.

Superintendent Erickson shared an inspirational thought "The Difference a Teacher Makes"

II. Public Hearing:

A. Citizen Dialog

President Jensen gave time to Matt Belliston. Matt explained to the board that he had approached the Special Service District for band instruments. They indicated that they would match the school districts money toward the purchase of band instruments. Mr. Belliston thought it would cost \$2,000 to \$3,000 per year to update the band instruments. President Jensen asked if \$3,000 would be enough to take care of the program. Matt answered that he felt it would be sufficient. Superintendent Erickson asked Mr. Belliston to inventory the instruments and work with him on the proposal. Matt agreed. President Jensen congratulated Mr. Belliston on the musical last weekend.

III. Discussion Items:

A. PACE-Prosperity 2020

Superintendent Erickson explained to the board that the Governor is encouraging students to be college and career ready. He is committed to making education a priority. The goal is to have 66% of working adults obtain a post secondary degree or certificate by 2020. Superintendent Erickson explained what PACE stands for. The governor would like to see 90% proficiency in reading, math and graduation rates and 100% of students taking the ACT. The focus has changed from college degrees to post secondary education.

B. Transportation Policy 2nd Reading

Superintendent Erickson reviewed the transportation policy with the board, focusing on the number of students that comprise a bus route and the distance between bus stops. The bus route needs to be within the attendance area for the district. Bus stops must be at least 1/3 mile apart. Students may walk up to a mile to get to a bus stop.

C. NSBA/USBA Registration and Conference Agenda

Superintendent Erickson passed out agendas for the USBA and NSBA conferences. He asked board members to confirm whether they will be attending so we can make arrangements. Superintendent Erickson reminded board members to work on the Master Boards Award.

D. UCAS Data Review/Discussion

Superintendent Erickson reminded board members of the grading process from the state. There are concerns with the current grading system. Our attendance is higher than the state average. Oscarson has a higher rate of students moving in and out of the district than the state average.

E. Summer FFA Program

President Jensen gave time to Dan Springer. Dan discussed the possibility of starting a summer AG program. Dan feels like it would be a good fit for this area. We would receive an additional 5 WPUs, which would provide over \$13,000 in additional funding, which would cover the costs for the program. Dan feels that the summer AG program will help the school year AG program. Students can start during the summer after their 8th grade year. Superintendent Erickson asked Don if we could offer a BAST class next year. Don said that we could. Dan shared positive experiences from the program and stated that we currently have 24 students taking AG classes.

F. Review and Update Wellness Policy

Superintendent Erickson explained that we are required to review the wellness policy every year. The wellness committee will be meeting with the administrative council tomorrow. Under Section 3, nutrition standards, the federal government is mandating that as of July 1, 2014, we can no longer sell candy, chips, packaged snack cakes, pastries, fruit snacks, regular soda, whole milk and low-fat chocolate milk. Jeff Barben explained the healthy holiday rewards program that we will be sending out to employees this week.

G. REAP Grant Funding Allocation

Superintendent Erickson explained that we need to expend funds for the REAP grant by December 31, 2013 and are looking at professional development that will meet the requirements.

H. Salary Adjustment Discussion

Superintendent Erickson suggested that the board take the discussion to executive session.

V. Executive Session:

6:05 p.m. Motion was made by Erin Jensen to enter into executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Joyce Sudweeks. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

8:35 p.m.. Motion was made by Marty Morgan to return from executive session. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

V. Action Items:

A. Approval of October Board Minutes and Vouchers

Motion was made by Erin Jensen to approve the minutes of the October 2013 Board Meeting, and to also approve vouchers #1629-1797. Seconded by Marty Morgan. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

B. Summer FFA Program

Motion was made by Erin Jensen to approve the Summer FFA Program. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All Voted Aye. Motion carried.

C. ParentLink

Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve the contract with Parent Link for \$1,800 per year. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

D. Lagoon Field Trip

Motion was made by Erin Jensen to approve the Lagoon Field Trip for the Physics class. Seconded by Marty Morgan. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

E. Business Administrator Contract

Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve an adjustment to the Business Administrator Contract to 20 days vacation per year. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

F. One Time Salary Adjustment

Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve the one time salary adjustment. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

G. BTS Salary Adjustment

Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve Jo Whittaker being paid the beginning teacher salary rate or 15 hours per week for the Beverley Taylor Arts program. Seconded by Marty Morgan. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

H. Wellness Policy

Motion was made by Erin Jensen to add the new rule to the Wellness Policy 5065. Seconded by Rickey Dalton. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

VI. Information Items:

A. Migrant Conference. Gloria Fox and Shannon Gleave will be attending the Migrant Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

B. Superintendent Conference. Superintendent Erickson will be attending the "Time to Teach Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

C. Legislative Dinner. The annual Legislative Dinner will be held on December 4, 2013 at Juab High School.

D. Parent Night. Feedback was positive for the Parent Night that was held on November 6.

E. ParentLink. ParentLink is ready to go if the board approves the contract.

F. Field Trip. Georgi Dalton would like to take the Physics class to Lagoon for a field trip.

Motion was made by Marty Morgan to adjourn the November 2013 meeting of the Piute School District Board of Education. Seconded by Rickey Dalton. All voted Aye. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned 8:50 p.m.