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## SEPTEMBER 2014 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education was held on **September 9th, 2014** at the Piute County Commission Chambers in Junction, Utah. President Derrin Jensen called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. Present were Marty Morgan, Erin Jensen, Derrin Jensen, Joyce Sudweeks and Rickey Dalton. Also present were Superintendent Shane Erickson, Business Administrator Koby Willis. Guests at the meeting were Terecea Westwood, Eugene King, Holly Nowers, Jodi Johnson

### Work Meeting

- The work meeting of the Piute County Board of Education was held at 3:30 p.m.
- Board members met to discuss financial budgets and benchmarks. Business Administrator Koby Willis presented current yearly progress towards FY15 financial goals.

### I. Opening Remarks

Opening remarks were by Erin Jensen.

- President Derrin Jensen welcomed everyone to Board Meeting.

### II. Public Hearing

#### A. Citizen Dialog

- None

### III. Discussion Items

#### A. Oscarson Elementary Extension

- Business Administrator Koby Willis presented some of the issues in Oscarson Elementary Building. Some of the issues included an outdated fire alarm, no private space for special education, no pre-school classroom, no ADA restrooms, and no faculty restrooms. Koby also elaborated on several other school improvement projects for the board to consider. Koby showed the board an estimated bid created by Hogan Construction and explained the key points. The bid totaled over 1.2 million dollars and included a 1,000 sq ft addition on the front of the building and some extensive renovations throughout the building.

#### B. HB 122 Parent Rights Policy 2nd Reading

- Superintendent Erickson expressed the feelings of building administrators to the proposed policy. The Superintendent explained the specific components that raised concern with administrators.

#### C. Update Policy 4093/4087 Student Searches, Student Discipline-LEA Compliance

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- Superintendent Erickson presented possible updates to policies 4093 and 4087 to bring them into better compliance with the state policies. Policy 4093 explains when principals and officers are permitted to search students and what procedures should be followed. Policy 4087 extends the rules and boundaries of corporal punishment. This policy also specifies guidelines for dropouts, married students, pregnant students, etc.

#### **D. Safe And Alert Bus Driver Policy 1st Reading**

- Speeds for district buses were added to district policy. Policy regarding coaches and teachers as bus drivers was clarified by the Superintendent. With this policy district employees time at work counts towards maximum driving hours in a day. Policy conforms with other districts and state wide best practices.

#### **E. Policy 1117 Travel Compensation Policy 2nd Reading**

- Superintendent Erickson explained the changes to the Travel Compensation policy. Changes to this policy were also discussed in the August board meeting. The changes include making the mileage per diem rate .35 cents per mile for every district employee, and allowing employees to choose whether or not to take a district vehicle or personal vehicle regardless of whether a district vehicle is available or not. Erin clarified that gas cost is included in the .35 cents per mile.

#### **F. Review of New Leadership/Teacher Standards and Expectations**

- Superintendent Erickson presented the new state leadership and teacher standards. Superintendent Erickson will conduct an evaluation with each building administrator. Each building administrator will do a self evaluation on the 6 leadership standards. The evaluations will be compared later in the school year. Teachers are receiving training on teacher standards throughout the school year.

#### **G. SLO Update Discussion**

- Tabled to October board meeting

#### **H. STEM Team**

- STEM education is being pushed more heavily by the state. STEM education includes many separate grants and benefits. The Superintendent proposed creating a district STEM team. Holly Nowers and Jodi Johnson spoke to the value of STEM. The STEM team would oversee writing STEM grants and implementing STEM education into district classrooms. The board expressed interest in a STEM Team.

#### **I. Suicide Prevention Policy 1st Reading**

- The Superintendent read a new Suicide Prevention Policy. New legislation has appropriated a small amount of funding for schools to educate teachers and students on suicide. The high school counselor will be working to develop a new suicide prevention program and a new bullying program. Legislation also now allows for teachers to talk more with students about suicide.

#### **J. ACT Data Results**

- The Superintendent explained that Utah was the high scorer on the latest National ACT results. Piute High School shows 13 students tested on the national ACT test days. Other ACT test scores for Piute High School were not part of these national results. Piute scored above the
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state English average. Overall data indicates that Piute is doing well in comparison to the state and national average.

#### **IV. Executive Session**

- 6:01 p.m. Motion was made by Rick Dalton to enter into executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Joyce Sudweeks. All voted Aye. Motion carried.
- 8:20 p.m. Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to return from executive session. Seconded by Marty Morgan. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

#### **V. Action Items**

##### **A. Approval of Board Minutes and Vouchers**

- Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve the minutes of the August 2014 Board Meetings, and to also approve vouchers #2721 - #2848. Seconded by Erin Jensen.
- All voted Aye. Motion carried.

##### **B. Assistant Softball Coach**

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to approve Krista Dalton as the Assistant Softball coach at Piute High School. Seconded Joyce Sudweeks.
- All Voted Aye. Motion carried.

##### **C. Paraprofessional Position**

- Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve Alisha Saulter as a 29 hour Special Education aide at Circleville Elementary. Seconded by Erin Jensen.
- All voted Aye. Motion carried.

##### **D. Mary Payton**

- Motion was made by Erin Jensen to approve Mary Payton moving from 20 hours/week to 29 hours/week. 6 extra hours helping with Special Education and 3 hours helping with At Risk. Seconded by Rickey Dalton.
- All voted Aye. Motion carried.

##### **E. Policies**

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to approve new and updated policies. Updated policies include 4093, 4087, and 1117. New policies include Pre-school Safe, Safe and Alert Bus Drivers, HB 122 Parents Rights, and Suicide Prevention. Seconded by Joyce Sudweeks.
- All voted Aye. Motion carried.

#### **VI. Information Items:**

- A. Pre-School Safe Policy** - Chrissa Edwards wrote a policy concerning the safety of Pre-school students and transportation.
  - B. Step-Up Grant** - Provides funding for college and career readiness.
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- C. Acuity - The Old YPP** – Acuity is the new Yearly Progress Program. Acuity doesn't do all of what YPP did. It's hoped that eventually SAGE will make up for YPP loss.
  - D. Concurrent Enrollment** - Snow College is helping to make sure students have the opportunity to get an associates degree with their high school diploma. Snow College is providing a counselor for high schoolers enrolling in college courses.
  - E. Math Articulation** - Schools are working together to create a seamless flow between elementary and high school math and then between high school and college math.
  - F. Rosetta Stone** - We are in a consortium with Beaver School District to get Rosetta Stone licenses.
  - G. Counselor** - High school counselor is now working at the elementary schools periodically. High school counselor is working on a mentoring program.
  - H. District Professional Development Plan** – September 24th professional development date has been moved to the 23rd and will include discussion of Canvas and Google tools. November 19th professional development will be teacher standards 1 and 2. January 14th is technology training. Other professional development will be initiated at the individual schools.
- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to adjourn the September 9, 2014 meeting of the Piute School District Board of Education. Seconded by Rickey Dalton. All voted Aye. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned **8:25 p.m.**
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