



APPROVED

OCTOBER 2015 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education was held on **October 13th, 2015** at the Piute County Commission Chambers in Junction, Utah. President Erin Jensen called the meeting to order at 3:09 P.M. Present were Marty Morgan, Erin Jensen, and Teresa Morgan. Excused were Joyce Sudweeks and Rickey Dalton. Also present were Superintendent Shane Erickson, Technology Director Paul James, and Business Administrator Koby Willis. Guests at the meeting were Stacie Gass, Jo Whittaker, Paula Wilde, Kathy Riddle, Holly Nowers, and Trever Barnson.

Work Meeting: The board of education held an open work meeting to discuss Powerschool add-on modules. Paul James invited a Powerschool expert to present some new features to the school board via conference call.

I. Opening Remarks

President Erin Jensen welcomed everyone to Board Meeting.

- Opening remarks were by Erin Jensen.

II. Citizen Dialog

- (24 Hours notice required to be on board meeting agenda)

III. Discussion Items

A. Math Discussion - Mrs. Nowers

- President Erin Jensen turned the time over to Holly Nowers for math discussion. Holly explained that she has spent time investigating SAGE scores and reevaluating the Common Core. Holly identified Bryce Valley as a school that did well on the SAGE test. She mentioned that they're using Chromebooks in their Math classrooms. Holly also mentioned that the opt out option has had an effect on Piute Math scores. Some of the discussion included the 5 Period block schedule that Bryce Valley is using.
- Superintendent Erickson discussed some changes at the state level regarding opt out rules.

B. Speech Specialist Job Description 1st Reading

- President Erin Jensen read the job description to the School Board. The school board felt comfortable with the description as it was read. It was suggested that Heidi Hansen look through the description before the 2nd reading.

C. Speech Evolution for PCSD - SPED Director Heidi Hansen

- Tabled to November Board Meeting

D. SAGE Test Results/School Grades for PCSD Schools

- Superintendent Erickson gave the highlights of the school districts SAGE scores and School Grades system. There are many frustrations regarding the method of testing and grading. The
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Superintendent and the School Board expressed their confidence in and thanks for teachers and instructional staff at each of the schools.

E. Attendance Policy Revision 1st Reading (4010)

- The Superintendent walked the School Board through some of the proposed changes to the Attendance Policy. The school board felt good about the revisions but wished to revisit the policy again in the November board meeting.

F. Evaluation Policy Revision 1st Reading (2064A)

- Superintendent Erickson directed the School Board to a few minor changes proposed to the Evaluation Policy. Most of the discussion involved how often formative, summative, and drop in evaluations should be conducted for teachers. The School Board suggested several questions for the Superintendent to take back to the administrative team. The consensus was that the board would consider the policy revisions again after the administrative team had reviewed some of their questions.

IV. Information Items:

A. Superintendent Report - The superintendent updated the school board on coming legislative and state school board meetings.

B. Business Administrator Report - The business administrator provided the school board with some statistics regarding employee demographics and then started the discussion concerning a one time salary adjustment in November.

V. Action Items

A. Board Minutes, Payroll, and Vouchers

- Motion was made by Teresa Morgan to approve the September 2015 Board Meeting minutes, the September payroll, and district vouchers #160196 - #160333. Seconded by Marty Morgan.
- Marty Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye. Motion carried (3-0).

VI. Executive Session

- 4:51 P.M. Motion was made by Marty Morgan to enter into an executive session. Seconded by Teresa Morgan.
- Marty Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye. Motion carried (3-0).

VII. Adjourn

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to adjourn the October 13th, 2015 meeting of the Piute School District Board of Education. Seconded by Teresa Morgan.
 - Marty Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye. Motion carried (3-0).
 - Meeting Adjourned **5:32 P.M.**
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