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OCTOBER 2017 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Piute County School District Board of Education was held on **October 17th, 2017** at the Piute County Commission Chambers in Junction, Utah. President Erin Jensen called the meeting to order at 3:06 P.M. Present were Erin Jensen, Teresa Morgan, Jeremy Pearson, Marty Morgan, and Rickey Dalton. Also present was Superintendent Shane Erickson and Business Administrator Koby Willis. Guests at the meeting were Brandi Schear, Shauna Bagley, Holly Nowers, Paul James, Heather Fautin, Janetta Dalton, Gloria Fox, William Maughan, Bailey Barnson, Jodi Barnson, and Frank Huntington.

Work Committee: The school board held a 2:00 PM work meeting to discuss Chapter 2 of the book “Multipliers”. The board discussed “Talent Magnets” in our district and how to develop those skills.

I. Opening Remarks

President Erin Jensen welcomed everyone to board meeting at 3:06 PM.

Opening remarks were offered by Teresa Morgan.

II. Citizen Dialogue

- Frank Huntington presented a proposal to build a softball complex in Piute County in Maryvale. The purpose would be to host softball tournaments and use for the high school team. Frank suggested a 40 acre lot close to Marysvale that would be suitable for the fields. The proposal assumes the funding would come from donors and rural growth grants.
- There were questions about having to bus teams to Marysvale to practice. There were also questions about little league fields being a priority equal to softball fields.
- Frank Huntington left the meeting.

III. Discussion Items

A. Data Governance Policy Revision 1st Reading

- Paul presented a revised version of the Data Governance Policy approved in the September 2017 board meeting. There are still several discussions going on across the state regarding the methods for protecting education networks and student data. Paul explained that there are several parts of the new policy that could change in the coming months.

B. Evaluation Policy #2064 Revision 3rd reading

- William Maughan joined the meeting at 3:44 PM.
- The board read parts of the evaluation policy revision for the 3rd time. Some small revisions were made after the 2nd reading and the board felt the policy was ready to be approved again.

C. IT Support Discussion

- Brandi Schear and Janetta Dalton left the meeting at 3:48 PM.
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- Paul James distributed a print out of results from a staff and faculty survey regarding technology support needs. Paul gave some statistics about how many devices are using our networks. Between phones, iPads, laptops, desktops, and other devices there are over a thousand devices using the school district network.
 - Paul explained that the rapid growth in the number of devices and softwares being supported brings the need for additional technology support. He discussed using the digital teaching and learning grant to hire a part-time position for technology help.
 - Another possibility discussed was providing a stipend for current employees to help with technology support. The concern with this proposal is teachers would have to leave their classrooms to help with technology during school.
 - Gloria Fox joined the meeting at 4:11 PM.

D. UCA Plan Review

- The board reviewed the 2017 - 2018 Utah Consolidated Application (UCA) plan. The plan has to be approved by the school board each year in October. The UCA includes the districts plan for spending all federal grants and some state grants. The district's UCA plan can be viewed by the public online at <https://uca.schools.utah.gov/>.

E. Sharp Survey Data Review

- The Superintendent presented the results of the Student Health And Risk Prevention survey taken by secondary students. The survey gives the school district regarding tobacco use, prescription drug abuse, and other teen health concerns. The board discussed specifically some of the areas where our district was above the state average.
- The board will discuss more regarding mental health services in the next meeting.

F. Student Advocate Job Description 1st Reading

- The board discussed the new position being hired by the School Land Trust program for a student advocate and sterling scholar coordinator. The board discusses the duties and the hours of the position. The position would coordinate the Sterling Scholar program and some of the new state requirements for monitoring student attendance.
- Jodi and Bailey Barnson joined the meeting at 4:50 PM.
- Jodi and Bailey Barnson left the meeting at 4:58 PM.

G. School Grades

- The school grading system measures several factors that are misleading in the final school grades. Piute had a high test opt out rate which counted very negatively against the school. The students that moved out that did not enroll in another Utah school counted against the school as a dropout. In a large district the large numbers can cover those small problems in the calculation. In Piute a single dropout is very damaging to the school grade. The schools final grades were OES - B, CES - B, and PHS - D. The grading is also done on a curve meaning if all schools are perfect they will still assign a specified amount to be an F, D, C, etc.
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IV. Information Items:

- A. USBA January/Legislative Meeting:** The state USBA annual conference will be January 11th-13th and the annual CUES sponsored Legislative meeting will be November 2nd.
- B. Comprehensive Guidance Program:** The program evaluation will be on November 8th, 2017. The Superintendent reported that the school feels ready to have the evaluation. Next year is the high schools accreditation.
- C. Teacher Blended Learning Visit:** On October 12th, 2017 several district teachers visited Juab School District to learn about their Blended Learning model.
- D. Tax Levy Timelines:** The Official Voter Information Pamphlet will be mailed out to the entire county this week. The residents of Kingston and Greenwich will also be receiving their mail-in ballots in the next week. The rest of the county will vote in person on November 7th, 2017. The transparency meeting is still scheduled for October 26th, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the high school auditorium.
- E. November 6th, 2017 PD Required:** Technology Professional Development day for all staff and faculty. Paul James has put together the agenda for the trainings.

V. Action Items

A. Board Minutes, Payroll, and Vouchers

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to approve the September 2017 Board Meeting minutes, the September payroll, and district vouchers #180148 - #180246. Seconded by Jeremy Pearson.
- Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).

B. Evaluation Policy Revision

- Motion was made by Rickey Dalton to approve the Evaluation Policy revision on the 3rd Reading and suspend the rule for three readings and approve the Student Advocate Job Description on the 1st Reading. Seconded by Teresa Morgan.
- Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).

C. PHS School Land Trust Plan Revisions

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to approve the revision to the PHS school land trust plan to include funding for a part-time Spanish teacher and part-time Student Advocate position. Seconded by Jeremy Pearson.
- Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).

D. UCA Plan

- Motion was made by Teresa Morgan to approve the 2017 - 2018 Utah Consolidated Application plan for Piute County School District. Seconded by Jeremy Pearson.
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- Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).

E. Positions

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to approve Kiera Hoyt as the Assistant Track Coach. Seconded by Jeremy Pearson.
- Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).

VI. Executive Session

- **5:42 P.M.** Motion was made by Teresa Morgan to enter into executive session for discussion of character and competence of individuals and collective bargaining. Seconded by Rickey Dalton.
- Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).
- The board left executive session at 6:39 P.M.

VII. Adjourn

- Motion was made by Marty Morgan to adjourn the October 17th, 2017 meeting of the Piute School District Board of Education. Seconded by Teresa Morgan.
 - Rickey Dalton voted Aye, Jeremy Pearson voted Aye, Marty Morgan voted Aye, Teresa Morgan voted Aye, Erin Jensen voted Aye. Motion carried (5-0).
 - Meeting Adjourned **6:39 P.M.**
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