

# CANYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The following minutes are a summary of the October 15, 2024, Canyons Board of Education meeting. To listen to the entire board meeting, including all comments made during the meeting, please go to BoardDocs at <a href="http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf">http://www.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf</a>

The Board of Education of Canyons School District met in a board meeting on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, beginning at 4:30 pm at the eBay Building, 583 eBay Way, Draper, Utah and 7:00 pm at the Canyons Administration Building, 9361 S. 300 East, Sandy, Utah 84070.

#### Those in attendance were:

Amber Shill, Board President Amanda Oaks, Vice President Andrew Edtl, Vice President Kris Millerberg, Board Member Holly Neibaur, Board Member Karen Pedersen, Board Member Nancy Tingey, Board Member Rick Robins, Superintendent Leon Wilcox, Business Administrator Dan Harper, General Legal Counsel Charlie Evans, Director of External Relations

#### 1. Study Session – 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

A. Board Roundtable at eBAY facility

The Board of Education is reimagining the future through the opportunity to bring the innovation center to life. Ms. Pat Jones addressed the purpose of the Industry Advisory Focus Groups, how they will work and best practices. Ms. Jones will be facilitating small group sessions with approximately six to eight industry leaders to gather feedback to guide the innovation center classes and curriculum. Kirsten Stewart, Assistant Director of Communications presented the findings of a competitive analysis comprised of Davis Catalyst, Jordan Applied Technology and Granite Technical Institute.

The naming and branding team will consist of a steering committee and student workgroup. The following students in the workgroup presented findings from a S.W.O.T. analysis: Alta High: Maria Clara Cardozo Dos Santos, Ruby Lewis, Lilly Mazuran, Sean Patterson; Brighton High: Jackson Briercheck; Corner Canyon High: Tate Walker and Jordan High: Jazmyne Perry.

The Architectual Plan is comprised of 4 phases, which are 1) evaluate building for educational facility, 2) space assessment for program needs, 3) long-range master plan and 4) architectural drawings. The architect selected for this project is MHTN architects.

The guiding principles for the innovation center include industry collaboration, innovative learning environments, career readiness and support, community and identity, and future forward vision. MHTN reviewed the building strengths and building concerns, concluding that the building features will be a suitable space for the purposes of the innovation center. The building square footage is 257,700 and the estimated total cost is \$84,500,000 which is \$328 per square foot. Currently a new construction would be approximately \$525 per square foot. Presentation available on BoardDocs.

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# 2. Business Meeting – 7:00 pm

- 3. Opening Items
  - A. Welcome
  - B. Approve Agenda for October 15, 2024

<u>MOTION:</u> Amanda Oaks moved to approve the agenda for October 15, 2024, except for Agenda Item 7D Board Roundtable continue if necessary. Andrew Edtl seconded the motion. 5 Yea (Mr. Edtl, Ms. Shill, Ms. Oaks, Ms. Millerberg, Ms. Pedersen) 2 Not Present (Ms. Neibaur, Ms. Tingey) The motion carries. https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WLZJ58EAE3

- C. Pledge of Allegiance Park Lane Elementary, Principal Justin Jeffery https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WLZM58EAE6
- D. School Highlights Park Lane Elementary, Principal Justin Jeffery https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WLZQ58EAE9
- 4. Canyons Strong Students Recognitions Jeff Haney, Director, and Kirsten Stewart, Associate Director of Communications

The following students were recognized:

- Middle school Intramurals Cross Country Race
  - Boys First Place, Butler Middle, Second Place Albion Middle, Third Place Indian Hills Middle
  - Girls First Place, Butler Middle, Second Place Draper Park Middle, Third Place Albion Middle
- Hillcrest Fabiana Gonzalez, 4A State Championship in singles match, Luciana Gonzalez Second place in singles match, Nevidita Bakshi, Third place in singles match.
- 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Shakespeare Competition results:
  - o Hillcrest won the first-place Theatre Sweepstakes in their division
  - o Corner Canyon won first-place theater Sweepstakes in their division
  - Corner Canyon choirs won second-place Sweepstakes in their divisions in the music competition
  - Brighton won second-place Sweepstakes in acting
  - Hillcrest won the overall Stage Tech Olympics trophy
  - Students from Alta, Brighton, Hillcrest and corner Canyon won individual stage tech events.
- 2024 National Car Rental PGA Jr. League Championships Emery Johnson, Albion Middle School, shot a 132-yard golf shot that went viral on ESPN in from of fame Utah golfer Tony Finau
- Alta Hawks Unified played in the championship tournament help at the America First Field.

## 5. Patron Comments

The following patrons commented:

- Whitney Hardman Policy change
- Maygan Martinez Policy change
- Trevona English Policy change
- Kaelynne Oliphant Drills National travel
- Brenda Robertson Drills National travel
- Brandon Robertson Drills National travel
- Jason Maldonado Policy change
- Ashlee Benns Policy change

## 6. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes for September 17, 2024
- B. Approval of Minutes for October 1, 2024
- C. Approval of Hire and Termination Reports
- D. Approval of Student Overnight Travel
- E. Approval of Purchasing Bids
- F. Approval of September Financial Reports
- G. Approval of TSSP Amendment for Canyon View Elementary
- H. Approval of TSSP Amendment for East Midvale Elementary

<u>MOTION 1:</u> Andrew Edtl moved to Approve Consent Agenda Item 6A Approval of Minutes from September 17, 2024; Item 6B Approval of Minutes from October 1, 2024; Item 6C Approval of Hire and Termination Reports; with the exception of Item 6D Approval Student Overnight Travel; Item 6E Approval of Purchasing Bids; Item 6F Approval of September Financial Reports; Item 6F Approval of LAND Trust or TSSP Amendment for Union Middle School; Item 6G Approval of TSSP Amendment for Canyon View Elementary; Item 6H Approval of TSSP Amendment for East Midvale Elementary. Holly Neibaur seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There was a discussion to the exception in the motion.

<u>MOTION 2:</u> Andrew Edtl moved to deny the appeal for Alta Ballroom to Seattle, approve the follow appeal requests Alta Boys Lacrosse, Corner Canyon Girls Basketball, Corner Canyon Girls Drill, Hillcrest Girls Drill, Jordan Boys and Girls Basketball, and Alta Girls Basketball and approve all student overnight travel requests listed that did not require an appeal. Nancy Tingey seconded the motion. \*The motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion to the motion.

<u>SUBSTITUTE FOR MOTION 2:</u> Holly Neibaur moved to approve everything except Alta Ballroom and ask to do a larger study as the appeal committee and have a conversation with the ballroom coach. Amanda Oaks seconded the motion. 3 Yea. (Ms. Neibaur, Ms. Shill, Ms. Oaks) 4 Nay (Ms. Tingey, Mr. Edtl, Ms. Millerberg, Ms. Pedersen) Motion fails.

There was discussion to the substitute motion.

\*A vote was taken on the original motion with modifications. Documents available on BoardDocs. <u>https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WLZY58EAF1</u>

#### 7. New Business

A. Policy 100.02- Board of Education Ethics and Conduct Guidelines; Policy 200.01 - Board Audit Committee; Policy 200.05 – Tax Increment Financing Agreements; Policy 400.03-Drug Free Workplace; Policy - 700.01-School Community Councils (First Reading) – Jeff Christensen, Assistant Legal Counsel

## Policy 100.02- Board of Education Ethics and Conduct Guidelines

The Utah Public Officers and Employees' Ethics act now requires a board member to complete a written disclosure statement as part of their responsibilities.

## Policy 200.01 - Board Audit Committee

To align with updates in R277-113 – LEA Fiscal and Auditing Polices, the Board President will ensure board members on the committee receive training on requirements of internal audits. The board members serving on the committee will be listed on the District's website, the name and contact information of the internal audit director and the annual audit plan. A list of the committees' responsibilities and requirements for an external and internal audit are listed in the policy.

## Policy 200.05 - Tax Increment Financing Agreements

The policy committee is recommending adding additional criteria to the policy which states that if the project includes retail in the development of the project, the municipality must indicate the percentage of sales tax revenue it will contribute to the project.

## Policy 400.03 - Drug Free Workplace

The update to this policy includes language for nondiscrimination for medical cannabis use while employed by the District.

#### Policy - 700.01 - School Community Councils

The option to allow for electronic elections of School Community Councils will be subject to the prior approval of the means and methods by the District. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs. https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WM2D58EAFE

B. Proposed calendars for 2025-2026 school calendar and tentative approval for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school calendars (First Reading) – Steve Dimond, Director of Human Resources

Pursuant to District Policy – 600.04 – School Year Calendar Development, the calendar committee recommends three school calendars developed according to calendar guidelines approved by the Board of Education. The calendar committee met on October 9, 2024, to review, discuss and recommend a final (2025-2026), proposed (2026-2027) and tentative (2027-2028) school calendars. These calendars are for all schools, except Brighton High School, which school year calendar will be proposed at a future board meeting. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs.

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C. Strategic Plan Focus Group Report: Human-Centered Supports – Dr. Brian McGill, Director of Student Services

The impact statement for the Human-Centered support is all students, families and employees feel safe, support, and have a sense of belonging within their school communities. The priority

framework consists of Thrive Time, student wellness, employee wellness and district behavioral support. Thrive Time manual and resources have been provided to all elementary and middle schools and integration of a dignity index scale and language have been implemented. Dr. McGill commended Jen Gerrard, Nursing Specialist, for taking the lead, initiative, and vision for creating a telehealth pilot. This pilot has been introduced in 17 high-need schools in the District. Canyons is leading out as the "Gold Standard" by providing mental health screening nights for students. DCMT referrals are trending to be an all-time high with 95 referrals in the first six weeks of the school year. There is a need for a full-time DCMT Administrator to oversee the long list of responsibilities to support the increase of cases. The District has expanded childcare options for employees. The committee continues to discuss the need and opportunity for an employee wellness center/clinic.

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm due to civil disruption. Presentation and documents available on BoardDocs. https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WM6T59C39F

# <u>MOTION:</u> Amanda Oaks moved to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct. \* A vote was taken. Andrew Edtl seconded the motion.

\*Person in Attendance: All Board Members, Rick Robins – Superintendent, Leon Wilcox -Business Administrator, Daniel Harper – General Counsel, McKay Robinson – Assistant Superintendent, Jeff Haney – Director of Communications, Susan Edwards – Public Engagement Coordinator, Kirsten Stewart – Assistant Director of Communications, Charisse Hilton – Program Administrator External Relations, Charlie Evans – Director of External Relations, Brian McGill – Director of Student Wellness Services https://go.boarddocs.com/ut/canyons/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=D9WM6T59C39F

#### 8. Closing Items

A. Adjourned 9:40 pm

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Amber Shill

**Board President** 

Superintendent

**Rick Robins**