

**GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATIONS
BUDGET HEARING**

6:00 PM

JUNE 21, 2010

Ron Olsen led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were Board members Kaaron Jorgen, Ron Olsen, Bryon Walston, Jim Webster, Superintendent Margaret Hopkin, Business Administrator Robert Farnsworth, Secretary Becky McCormick. Other District administrators in attendance were Principals, Steve Hren, Lance LeVar, Melinda Snow, Sherrie Buckingham, Rachel Eborn and Taryn Kay. Also in attendance were Derrick Cook, Sarah Henderson, Melodi McCandless, Carol Fugel, Kathey McNeely, Joe Kingsley, Merrie Knutson, Stan Jones, LJ Kennendy, Marsha Marshall, Mary McGann, Sarah Henderson and Charlotte Davis.

Business Administrator Robert Farnsworth presented the 2010-2011 Budget.

PRESENTATIONS

LJ Kennedy made a presentation to the Board requesting permission to start a booster club at the High School to support club activities. She gave Board members a packet containing the proposed budget, Mission Statement, Goals and Order of Operations. The Board will look over packet and it will be an agenda item for July's Board meeting.

RECOGNITION

Taryn Kay recognized the 3rd grade teachers, Mary McGann, Marsha Marshall, Kathey McNeely, Sarah Henderson and Charlotte Davis. The 3rd grade IOWA test scores that were administered this spring came back remarkably high.

The Quiz Bowl Team and advisor Mike Estenson were recognized for their achievement in Washington DC at the National Junior Quiz Bowl Competition. They took 7th place, out of 22 teams. It was the first time in 22 years that Utah had been to an National Quiz Bowl.

May Student's of the Month (not in attendance) were recognized, Daniele Short and Bobby Parker. Dallen Dalton, Lillian McKinlay-Jones and Shelby Dalton were recognized as being state MVP for soccer and softball. Stephanie Cluff (not in attendance) was recognized as softball Coach of the Year.

Superintendent Margaret announced that BEACON's large grant, 21st Century, had not been funded for next year.

Associate Principal for Helen M. Knight Elementary, Rachel Eborn was introduced.

STAFF REPORTS

Regarding the polices on the agenda, Superintendent Hopkin would like for the Board to review the policies until next Board meeting and post them in July. During Staff Reports, principals will be reporting on the progress of their academic and behavioral support program development within their buildings.

Business Administrator Robert Farnsworth reported that he had met with our insurance carrier for long term disability and dental insurance. Dental rates had not gone up. The District received the Official Engagement letter from our auditor Squire and Co. Robert told Board members that beginning next month the budget reports will be run after payroll rather than just before the Board meeting. Robert has been communicating with LaMar Sayer with the State Tax Commission concerning annexation of San Juan.

Rob Welch, District Construction Director reported that we will move into the new Vocational Center on July 12th. The State Fire Marshall will be here on July 6th for the official inspection. Demolition of Helen M. Knight Intermediate began today. The asbestos removal is ahead of schedule. Joe Kingsley reported that Ben Byrd and Brian Ballard are working at Helen M. Knight Intermediate salvaging beams and steel.

Principals Buckingham, Snow and Hren gave their reports on the progress of their academic and behavioral support program development.

Taryn Kay, Testing Director reported that beginning next year no UBSCT or IOWA tests will be administered. Taryn handed out the Direct Writing results for grades 5 and 8. She said the scores were good. Taryn handed out the results of the annual Special Education survey.

GEA representative Sarah Henderson thanked the Board for their diligence during this year's financial troubles.

INFORMATION AND REPORTS

High School Open Campus Policy: Principals Steve Hren and Lance LeVar referred the Board to the suggested policy in their Board packet. Superintendent Hopkin suggested that the Board review and post in July.

Refunding the Bond: State Treasurer Richard Ellis said we should not proceed with the process of refunding the Bond until we know the results of the Voted Leeway. The District's cash flow was a concern.

Property Sales Committee Update: Jim Webster reported that the committee met June 8th and will meet again on June 22nd. Rachel Moody is working on property values. Red Rock property is large enough for 35 lots. It also would be large enough for 28 duplexes. This would not require a zone change. Its estimated value is 1.3 million. Jim said if Red Rock was owner financed, we could not count on the interest as income. It was also discussed that an educational entity could possibly lease the land and building.

Robert Farnsworth said he had been approached about purchasing the creek bottom by the bus barn.

Legislated Policy Requirement – Bullying and Hazing: Taryn Kay referred the Board to pages 5-10 in their packets. The Board will review, make comments and suggestions at the July Board meeting. It is hoped to post this policy at the July Board meeting.

Legislated Policy Requirement – Criminal Background Check: Taryn Kay referred the Board to pages 11-15 in their packets. The Board will review, make comments and suggestions at the July Board meeting. It is hoped to post this policy at the July Board meeting.

DELEGATIONS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Jim Webster made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Deb Hren seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

Adoption of the 2010-2011 Budget: Ron Olsen made a motion to adopt the Budget. Bryon Walston seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

Bryon Walston made a motion to accept the 2010-2011 Holiday Calendar for 12 month employees. Ron Olsen seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Jim Webster said that he and Margaret had been on the radio this morning and this afternoon. They did not receive any phone calls and they talked about the misleading information on the flyers and in the Times Independent while they were on the air.

ADVANCE PLANNING

The Board decided to have one Work Session in July. The July site visit will be touring the new buildings.

At 7:50 pm Jim Webster made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel items. Bryon Walston seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Jim Webster. The motion passed.