

## GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### REGULAR BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 18, 2011

At 6:00 pm Jim Webster welcomed the audience to the August Board meeting. Patty Jones led in the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, Beth Joseph, Superintendent Margaret Hopkin, Business Administrator Robert Farnsworth and Secretary Becky McCormick. Audience attendance was Verna Butcher, Patricia Jones, Arlajean Paskett, Melodie McCandless, Jeff Richards, Stephen Hren, Brandy Shumway, Kate Cannon and Sarah Henderson.

There were no Recognitions or Delegations.

### Presentations

Transportation Director Verna Butcher thanked the Board for allowing her and Patty Jones to travel to Reno for 2011 STN EXPO Conference July 23-26. They attended many valuable workshops.

### Information and Reports

Superintendent Margaret Hopkin reported that Brandy Shumway, Special Ed Director learned at an Education Law meeting that we will probably be seeing more service animals in our buildings. Service animals are defined as dogs and small horses. We are now connected with Salt Lake School District for On Line Education. Margaret handed to the Board the Opening Institute Agenda. Third grade class sizes are at 30. A fifth classroom is needed to reduce class size. Margaret said as a point of information that State School Superintendent Larry Shumway will be at the TSAC building on August 25<sup>th</sup> for a Regional Superintendent's meeting. Employment contracts are ready for staff.

Business Administrator Robert Farnsworth reported that the Auditors will be here August 22-24. Risk Management has given approved for out of state travel. The bid for the tile for the High School restrooms has been awarded. We will be using bond money for that project. Robert will travel to Cedar City on August 25<sup>th</sup> to view financial software for small districts, hoping to piggyback with Alpine District. There is a meeting in SLC on September 13<sup>th</sup> for Business Administrators, Superintendents, and Board Member to meet with Merlynn Newbold to discuss HB301. Robert said that on August 19<sup>th</sup> representatives from PEHP and USBA will be here to talk about Health Saving Accounts. Robert said he is planning to pilot an account.

Margaret Hopkin commented that she had asked administrators to present goals for the 2011-2012 school year. Taryn Kay and Sherrie Buckingham have student/parent orientations at Helen M. Knight this evening, and will not be in attendance to present 2011-2012 goals.

Special Education Director Brandy Shumway handed to the Board the Goals for Special Education for the 2011-2012 school year.

Middle School Principal Melinda Snow gave the Board a handout on Middle School Goals for 2011-2012.

High School Principal Steve Hren referred to the information in their packet "Summary of GCHS Response to At-Risk Student Populations".

GEA representative Sarah Henderson reported on September 27<sup>th</sup>, UEA representatives will be here for a meet and greet breakfast.

### **Information and Reports**

CEFPI Design and Planning Nomination (HMK) - Superintendent Margaret Hopkin introduced Brian Parker, Architect with MHTN. Brian talked about the upcoming trip to Nashville when the winner of the Architectural award will be announced. Brian showed the video that was submitted to the nominating committee. Margaret and Jim Webster will travel with MHTN to Nashville on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Brian commented that the process of creating Helen M. Knight Elementary School began in 2008.

Master Plan: Facilities and Land Updates – Bryon Walston and Jim Webster attended a meeting today concerning old votech/CEU/Utah State/USU Eastern concerning the remodeling of the old votech. They are moving forward – funding goals have been met. They will be using student/teacher labor. No new progress on the Red Rock property. Robert Farnsworth expressed frustration with the progress of the Middle School restroom renovation. The Helen M. Knight Elementary's leak was just a drain issue.

Posted Policy 5300 – STUDENTS – COMPULSOROY EDUCATION AND ATTENDANCE – Margaret Hopkin commented that she had met with Judge Mary Manley, Juvenile Probation Officer Chris Blackman, and representatives from County Attorney Fitzgerald's office concerning the new attendance policy. Move to Action Items.

Posted Policy 4153B – PERSONNEL – REDUCTION IN FORCE – Move to Action Items.

Posted Policy: 4156B – PERSONNEL – RECALL – Move to Action Items.

Policy for Posting: 5900 STUDENT – SAFETY AND HEALTH – CONCUSSION AND HEAD TRAUMA - Move to Action Items for posting.

Policy for Posting: 4140B – PERSONNEL – ABSENCES AND LEAVE – Move to Actions Items for posing.

### **Consent Agenda**

Bryon Walston made a motion to accept the financial Consent Agenda. Ron Olsen seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed. Ron Olsen made a motion to accept the personnel Consent Items. Bryon Walston seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

## Action Items

Posted Policy 5300 – STUDENTS – COMPULSOROY EDUCATION AND ATTENDANCE – Bryon Walston made a motion to accept the policy. Beth Joseph seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

Posted Policy 4153B – PERSONNEL – REDUCTION IN FORCE – Ron Olsen made a motion to accept the policy. Beth Joseph seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

Posted Policy: 4156B – PERSONNEL – RECALL – Beth Joseph made a motion to accept the policy. Bryon Walston seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

Policy for Posting: 5900 STUDENT – SAFETY AND HEALTH – CONCUSSION AND HEAD TRAUMA – Deb Hren made a motion to post the policy. Ron Olsen seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

Policy for Posting: 4140B – PERSONNEL – ABSENCES AND LEAVE – Ron Olsen made a motion to post the policy but changing 3.32 from the licenses employee shall be granted twenty paid contract days to the licenses employee shall be granted not to exceed twenty paid contract days. Bryon Walston seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

## Communications

Bryon Walston said he was leaving tomorrow morning for UHSAA meeting.

Jim Webster attended a USBA Delegate Assembly on August 12<sup>th</sup>. The online education was discussed.

At 8:30 pm Bryon Walston made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel items. Ron Olsen seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were Jim Webster, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Beth Joseph. The motion passed.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**AUGUST 17, 2011**