

Granite School District

Board of Education Meeting

May 17, 2016

A board meeting for Granite School District was held in Auditorium B at the Granite School District Offices, 2500 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. President Terry Bawden called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., those in attendance:

Terry Bawden	President
Connie Anderson	Vice President
Connie Burgess	Board Member
Gayleen Gandy	Board Member
Dan Lofgren	Board Member
Sarah Meier	Board Member
Karyn Winder	Board Member

The following members of the administration were present:

Martin Bates	Superintendent
David Garrett	Business Administrator
Don Adams	Assistant Superintendent
Mike Fraser	Assistant Superintendent
Linda Mariotti	Assistant Superintendent
John Welburn	Assistant Superintendent

Ben Horsley, Director Communications Department, Doug Larson, Policy and Legal Services Director, and Kathy Goodfellow, Executive Secretary, were in attendance.

BOARD MEETING

CONSENT ITEMS

Purchases:

1. Trucks for Police Department, Young Automotive Group – \$159,552.00
2. Computer Equipment for Information Systems, Summit Partners Utah – \$70,542.84
3. CommVault Backup Software, Valcom Computer Center – \$63,052.09
4. Audio Visual for Warehouse Stock, Troxell Communications – \$58,380.00
5. Hot Well Counters and Work Tables, Restaurant and Store – \$131,850.00
6. Carpet for West Lake Junior, Shaw Contract Group – \$116,177.70
7. Electrical Thread for West Lake Junior, Midwest Commercial Interiors – \$86,301.95
8. Tractors for Custodial Services, Bonneville Equipment Company – \$171,000.00
9. Water Piping Replacement at Spring Lane Elementary, Industrial Piping & Welding – \$216,873.72
10. HVAC Upgrade at the Data Center, Carman Refrigeration – \$154,380.00

Award of Contract:

1. Interior Remodel at West Lake Junior, JL Hardy Construction – \$3,392,810.00

2. Interior Remodel at Cottonwood High, CRC Construction – \$2,683,163.00
3. Conference Room Remodel at Granite Education Center, Souvall Brothers Construction – \$125,164.38
4. FACS Lab Remodel at Kearns High, Patriot Construction – \$417,610.00

Ratification of Negotiations with GEA

Motion: **I move that we accept the Consent Agenda.**

Made by: Connie Burgess

Seconded by: Connie Anderson

Called for vote: President Bawden

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

ACTION ITEM

Secondary Fee Schedule. As introduced as a First Reading during the last Board Meeting, there are two recommended changes to the fee schedule: an \$8 fee to fund writing instruction platforms and a \$25 fee per quarter unit of credit to fund the online summer school opportunity for original credit. No further changes or comments have been received.

Motion: **I move we accept the fee schedule as proposed.**

Made by: Gayleen Gandy

Seconded by: Sarah Meier

Called for vote: President Bawden

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

STUDY SESSION

Best Practices Diversity Report

Charlene Lui, Educational Equity Director, and Danny Stirland, Principal at Granite Park Junior High, shared a presentation and talked about the best practices we have in place for refugee students and newcomers. We have a lot of diversity throughout the district with over 1300 refugee students attending our schools. Research has shown that many newcomer students suffer post-traumatic stress, and placement in a protected environment for a short time helps to ease the transition into a new educational setting. This is why our Tumaini Center, located within Granite Park Junior High, is so valuable. Newcomers, K-12, who are enrolling in a U.S. school for the first time attend this program for two weeks. After a student is identified by a relocation agency, they receive a home visit from a Tumaini Center staff member. Once at the center, elementary students receive support in school procedures, lunch procedures, health and hygiene, language assistance, etc. Additionally, secondary students receive assistance with school lockers, class schedules, attendance procedures, etc. All students have a transition person assigned to assist them when they transition to their home school. Parents also come to the center for a parent orientation. During this time parents are helped to understand what happens in school and school expectations. Informational videos, in 14 different languages, are posted on the Educational Equity website.

There are challenges including differentiation of instruction for the varied English language proficiencies, attracting and keeping cultural and language liaisons who speak the many varied languages of our refugees, and transportation for before/after school activities and SEP conferences. (Exhibit #1646)

Graduation levels for refugees are increasing. We are working with outside agencies to transition students who are not graduating into other programs.

President Bawden expressed the need for an Executive Session.

Motion: I move we go into an Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining.

Made by: Connie Anderson

Seconded by: Karyn Winder

Called for vote: President Bawden

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned for an Executive Session.

I certify that upon motion duly made, seconded and passed, the Board of Education of the Granite School District approved the foregoing on the 14th day of June, 2016. I further certify that a quorum of the Board was present on both the day covered by these minutes and the day of approval.

David F. Garrett
Business Administrator/Treasurer