

**Granite School District**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**March 6, 2018**

A meeting for the Board of Education of Granite School District convened in the Boardroom at the Granite Education Center, 2500 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. President Terry Bawden called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m., those in attendance:

Terry Bawden	President
Connie Anderson	Vice President
Connie Burgess	Board Member
Gayleen Gandy	Board Member
Carrie Johnson	Board Member
Karyn Winder	Board Member
Todd Zenger	Board Member

The following members of the administration were present:

Martin Bates	Superintendent
David Garrett	Business Administrator
Don Adams	Assistant Superintendent
Rick Anthony	Assistant Superintendent
Linda Mariotti	Assistant Superintendent
John Welburn	Assistant Superintendent

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Continued Eligibility Diploma**

Noelle Converse and Judy Petersen explained recently passed legislation which provides us the opportunity to award an alternate diploma, a Continued Eligibility Diploma (CED), to a student with disabilities. The CED, which is available to significantly cognitively impaired students, will allow the students to receive educational services to the age of 22. The services provided by Granite District are through the post-high transition program which is a continuum of services with the goal of helping students to transition to adulthood. Employability, independence and opportunities for post-high education are the focus of post-high transition services. Prior to this change in legislation, in order for a student to continue receiving services, they could not graduate. With this change students can now graduate and continue to receive services.

A brief review of special education was presented. Services are provided in academic and behavioral support and related services, such as health services, medical services, speech language services, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. These services are offered according to each student's individual education plan (IEP) which is developed by a team of evaluators. The team identifies academic and behavioral IEP goals for each student. The intent of special education (and special education funding) is to put in place the supports and

educational plans to allow disabled students to have equal educational opportunities as non-disabled students.

### **School Improvement Efforts**

Rick Anthony presented an overview of both Granite's school improvement framework and the legislated Turn Around process, which requires vendor support. As the Educational Support & Development division looked at the vendor's work, it was decided that Granite District would form their own framework. The Granite School Improvement Framework, or in-house framework, is comprised of 10 volunteer schools who have been working through the process this year. The similarities and differences of the two frameworks were discussed, including the use of a plan differing from the School Student Achievement Plan (SSAP) for Granite's school improvement framework schools.

The in-house framework focuses on District goals such as the Granite Way with the intent of building sustainable practice. The vendored framework is somewhat limited as the main focus is on improving school grades. (Exhibit #1836)

Consequences of Turn Around schools who might not show improvement were discussed. After three years of intense vendor assistance those schools still having the Turn Around designation (identified by being in the lowest 3% of schools state wide, measured by points earned for a school grade), can apply for a 2-year extension to continue efforts to improve. Of the 10 schools in Granite identified as Turn Around schools, it is anticipated most will achieve their goals. Further discussion will be needed if schools do not show improvement.

Meeting adjourned for a dinner break at 6:03 p.m.

### **GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

The Granite School District Board of Education reconvened at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom. President Terry Bawden welcomed all in attendance for this session and called for a roll call of board members; all board members were present. Superintendent Bates introduced those representing organizations:

Kathy Swift	Region V PTA
Gayna Breeze	GAEOP
Stacy Bushell	GAEOP
Amy Torres	GAEOP
Steve Perschon	GASA
Doug Wagstaff	GASA
Michele Jones	GEA
Michael McDonough	GEA
Cindy Formeller	GEF
Noelle Applebaum	GEF
Todd Nielson	GESPA
Greg Powell	GESPA
Jessica McClintic	GESPA
Greg Burrows	GESPA
Robin Gibson	GESPA

Leslie Frank	School Foods
Teri Oliver	School Foods

Natalie Hansen, School Accountability Services Director, introduced administrators attending by assignment:

Scott Bell	Principal, Kearns Junior
Malynda Cloward	Principal, Roosevelt Elementary
Matthew Graham	Principal, Plymouth Elementary
Nichole Higgins	Principal, Beehive Elementary
Jolynn Koehler	Principal, Redwood Elementary
Connie McCann	Principal, Rolling Meadows Elementary
Nykola Patton	Principal, Silver Hills Elementary
Steve Perschon	Principal, Olympus High
Mary Anne Stevens	Principal, Kennedy Junior
Julie Wilson	Principal, Sandburg Elementary
Ben Anderson	Assist Prin, Granger High
Carol Cabanillas	Assist Prin, Hunter High
Jason Kemble	Assist Prin, West Lake Junior
Jim Rice	Assist Prin, Bennion Junior
Cathy Thompson	Assist Prin, Bonneville Junior
Rebecca Spence	Assist Prin, Redwood Elementary

Pledge of Allegiance: Scott Bell

Reverence: A student choir from Valley Crest Elementary performed two musical numbers.

## **RECOGNITONS**

### **Student Athletes**

Dave Vande Veegaete, specialist, athletics/P.E., introduced Terri Roylance, Cottonwood High principal, who introduced Coach Lockwood. He introduced the Cottonwood High Girls Swimming Team who won the Swimming State Championship. Individual state champions were also recognized in swimming and wrestling.

### **Academic All-State Athletes**

Mr. Vande Veegaete introduced students who have excelled in academics and well as athletics. Students recognized included those who participated in Swimming: Hannah Dibb, Katelyn Price, (Cottonwood), Sarah Jarrett (Hunter), Kimerly Biesinger, Bela Hatch, Sage Helton (Kearns), Aleah Griffin (Skyline); Basketball: Spencer McDonald, Larsen Sager (Cottonwood), Carol Lucero, Matthew Wickizer (Kearns), Jacob DowDell (Olympus); and Wrestling: Nathan Searle (Cyprus).

### **MAYOR PARTICIPATION** – None

### **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION** –

Calvin Fors, 4015 So. Starwood St., WVC UT 84120. Spoke regarding the carpentry and construction industry. As a representative of the carpenters union, he urged the District when

selecting contractors for our bond projects, to select contractors who are honest and pay their workers an honest wage.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

Minutes, February 6 and 20, 2018

Purchase:

Gymnasium Bleachers, Kearns High, Norcon Industries – \$223,999.00

Personnel:

1. Leaves of Absence
2. Employee Hires and Separations
3. Administrative Appointment, effective July 1, 2018

Carol Cabanillas                      Assoc Director, Prevention & Student Placement

Administrative Transfer, effective July 1, 2018

Jared Reynolds                      Principal, Granite Connection

Financial Reports:

1. Purchase Order Summary – \$4,843,592.29
2. Accounts Payable Pay Vouchers – \$43,648,023.36
3. Principals' Cash Report – January 2018
4. Monthly Budget Report – January 2018

Granite Education Association Negotiation Team

School Student Achievement Plans

Student Travel Exception, Granger Debate Team

LAND Trust Amendments

Sale of Vocational Home

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

Made by:                      Gayleen Gandy

Seconded by:                      Connie Burgess

Called for vote:                      President Bawden

Results:                      Motion Passed Unanimously

John Welburn introduced Carol Cabanillas, who introduced her guests.

### **INFORMATION ITEM**

#### **School Security Report**

Don Adams, Doug Larson and Randy Porter, Granite Police Chief, presented information on the student safety and school security procedures in Granite District. Mr. Adams reviewed the

guiding philosophy of school design, including transparency (the use of glass in building interiors), and the use of security cameras. Approximately one-third of our elementary schools require security check-in through the office. This procedure will be implemented in additional schools as they are remodeled. The goal is to have all our elementary schools with required front office check-in by 2021.

The police department organization was reviewed. All Granite officers receive active shooter training with allied agencies, which is conducted in our schools. Chief Porter explained the differences between “Shelter in Place”, “Lockdown” and “Lockdown with Cover” security protocols.

Doug Larson talked about the framework of multi-tiered systems of support for crisis intervention. Crisis management protocols were presented, District crisis teams were explained and the bullying prevention program was mentioned as part of crisis intervention. (Exhibit #1837)

### **FIRST READINGS**

#### **Novels as Part of Required Curriculum**

Doug Larson explained the modification made to section G.4. to identify that Beehive and Newbery Award winners and honorees will be automatically approved for the novels list. Other award winners must go through the approval process.

There was some board discussion regarding the process novels must go through for approval and how that process compares to that of the Beehive and Newbery Award selection process. There was also some discussion about the method for selecting readings for drama departments. Parent volunteers for the Novels Committee was discussed; the PTA is often involved in recommending parents to participate.

**Motion:**            **I move we accept, as a first reading, the Novels Policy.**

Made by:            Connie Burgess

Seconded by:      Karyn Winder

Called for vote:    President Bawden

Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

#### **Self-Reporting Requirements & Background Checks**

Doug Larson clarified the modification made to section C. to bring the policy in line with State statute with regards to fingerprinting. The Bureau of Criminal Identification now maintains fingerprints in digital format for school districts. This means that going forward, employees and volunteers will be required to go through fingerprinting once instead of every 5 years.

**Motion:**            **I move we approve on a First Reading the Self-Reporting Policy**

Made by:            Gayleen Gandy

Seconded by:      Carrie Johnson

Called for vote: President Bawden  
Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

### **SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD REPORTS**

Superintendent Bates:

Mentioned an upcoming Granite Education Foundation event on March 13, Zero Hunger Zero Waste at Gourley Elementary. Board members are invited.

Gayleen Gandy:

Reminded those board members who are up for re-election, the filing period starts this Friday.

Connie Anderson:

With all the serious things we talk about, the students are the perks of being a board member.

Connie Burgess:

The USBA Spring Regional Meeting is March 21.

Karyn Winder:

Attended the Truman Elementary Leadership Day, it was wonderful. As we enter the season of school plays and musicals, she recognized the students and teachers who spend extra time and effort for these productions.

Carrie Johnson:

Attended the Parent Empowerment Conference. She appreciates the work done by the PTA and the Taylorsville Network. There were great topics and information offered. She also appreciated the information on security provided tonight and thanked those presenters.

Terry Bawden:

March 20 was scheduled for a study session. The study session will be cancelled due to caucus meetings that same night. He encouraged everyone to be involved in their caucus meetings. He recently met with the travel committee and had healthy discussions which will continue in the committee's next meeting.

**Motion: I move we adjourn.**

Made by: Karyn Winder

Seconded by: Gayleen Gandy

Called for vote: President Bawden

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.