

**Granite School District**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**May 5, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Education of Granite School District convened in Auditorium D at the Granite Education Center, 2500 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. President Karyn Winder called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m., those participating electronically:

Karyn Winder	President
Connie Burgess	Vice President
Connie Anderson	Board Member
Terry Bawden	Board Member
Gayleen Gandy	Board Member
Nicole McDermott	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
Leslie Bell	Assistant Superintendent
John Welburn	Assistant Superintendent

Ben Horsley, Communications Director, Doug Larson, Policy and Legal Services Director, Donnette McNeill-Waters, Human Resources Director, and Stacy Bushell, Executive Secretary, were in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance: John Welburn

Reverence: Gayleen Gandy shared her thoughts about graduation. She is aware that many students are disappointed that they will not have a traditional graduation. Over the years she has been on stage where she could look at each individual student as they walked across the stage. She would see the excitement and sense of accomplishment in their eyes. This year their parents will get to see them up-close at that moment of graduation and this is something to appreciate.

### **RECOGNITIONS**

Ben Horsley reported that teacher appreciation yard signs are being delivered this week to many of our teachers. Students recorded messages of appreciation for their teachers. Ben played a clip of the video for the board and has posted it on Granite's Facebook page. We are grateful for wonderful teachers in Granite School District.

Karyn Winder thanked Ben and said she hopes that our teachers know how much they are appreciated right now for going above and beyond in this online learning.

Ben then added a recognition for school nurses' week and he played a video which highlighted the work and unique role of our school nurses.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

Minutes, April 7 & 21, 2020

### Purchases:

1. Electronics Training System, Granite Technical Institute, NIDA Corporation - \$153,870.00
2. Network Servers, Information Systems, Summit Partners Utah - \$97,726.68
3. Nearpod Add Online Lesson and Assessment, Utah Education Network - \$146,425.59
4. Mystery Science Online Science Curriculum, Mystery Science - \$155,820.00
5. Microsoft Certification Training with Exams, Information Systems, Web Age Solutions, Inc. - \$79,992.00
6. Cabling Services, Educational Technology, Americom Technology - \$133,649.00
7. Mobile Hotspots for Student Home Internet Service, Educational Technology, T-Mobile - \$136,530.00
8. Staff Training and Compliance Management Software, Scenario Learning - \$84,936.00
9. Security Camera Equipment, Hunter High and Wasatch Junior High, Utah Yamas Controls - \$85,899.03
10. Access Control Camera Equipment, Olene Walker Elementary and South Kearns Elementary, Sentinel Systems - \$157,197.99

### Award of Contracts:

1. Lease Modular Building System at Westbrook Elementary for West Lake STEM, William Scotsman, Inc. - \$494,844.24
2. Lease Relocatable Classroom Buildings, Westbrook Elementary, for West Lake STEM, US Modular - \$903,183.00
3. Seismic Evaluation Services, West Lake STEM, GSBS Architects - \$232,698.00
4. Architectural Services, Granger, Hunter, Kearns, and Olympus Networks' Schools, KNIT Inc. - \$88,789.00
5. Architectural Services, Multiple District Locations, CRSA Inc. - \$90,928.00
6. Architectural Services, Partial Reroofing Projects at Spring Lane Elementary and Bonneville Junior High, Design West Architects - \$57,500.00
7. Architectural Services, Taylorsville Network Schools, Gould Plus Architects - \$90,248.00
8. Community Center Remodel at Granite Park Junior High, Culp Construction - \$226,370.00

### Change Order:

Skyline High Rebuild, Hughes Contractors - \$208,891.99

### Personnel:

Employee Hires and Separations

### Financial Reports:

1. Purchase Order Summary - \$6,578,114.13
2. Accounts Payable Pay Vouchers - \$27,764,452.88
3. Change Order Summary Report - \$261,522.82
4. Principals' Cash Report - March 2020
5. Monthly Budget Report - March 2020

School LAND Trust Plans

School LAND Trust Amendments

Foreign Exchange Agencies

Salary Schedules for Other Employee Groups

Ratification for Classified Negotiations

Todd Zenger noted an apparent discrepancy of line items in the March 2020 Principals' Cash Report (PCR). The PCR was removed from the consent agenda pending clarification.

**Motion:**            **I move that we accept the Consent Agenda, minus the March 2020 Principals' Cash Report.**

Made by:            Connie Anderson

Seconded by:      Nicole McDermott

Called for vote:    President Winder

Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Bates: Reported that we have conducted several surveys and had many conversations with teachers, principals, and graduation committees regarding graduation this year. He is heartened and impressed with the commitment of principals to all students. Principals are unanimous and adamant in pursuing options that honor all graduates of the class of 2020. We intend to have actual graduations in Granite, though the ceremonies will be modified given the circumstances. All schools will set a schedule for each senior to come to the school, wear cap and gown, walk, and receive their diploma cover. Parents who are with the student will be able to take pictures. There will be photographers available for pictures and recordings will be made available in a downloadable format. Most schools plan to record speeches, musical numbers, the board member acceptance speech, and senior slide show. We expect that schools will work with the 2020 class officers to plan a social activity when restrictions on social gatherings are lifted. Some schools plan to have a recognition of the class of 2020 at homecoming in the Fall. If board members receive calls from patrons with concerns or suggestions, he asked them to refer the caller to their high school principal.

Board members responded to Superintendent Bates' report:

Connie Anderson: She feels the district has made a sincere effort to contact seniors and receive their input regarding graduation and thanked principals for putting so much effort into coming up with the best options during difficult circumstances.

Gayleen Gandy: Thinks that though circumstances are disappointing to many, based on Superintendent Bates' description, seniors are going to get a significantly more unique and personal experience than they would have in a large venue.

## **FIRST READINGS**

### **Article IX.A.1.y. Access and Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities**

Doug Larson explained that this policy allows us to provide access to our performances, services, and other activities for individuals with disabilities consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

**Motion:**            **I move we accept the Access and Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities as a First Reading.**

Made by:            Connie Burgess

Seconded by:     Terry Bawden

Called for vote:    President Winder

Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

### **Article V.C.1. Paid Leave During School Dismissal Under Extraordinary Circumstances Policy**

Doug Larson reported that the federal government is requiring local LEAs to adopt policies regarding equal treatment of employees paid by federal funds and local funds. This is especially necessary in circumstances when schools are dismissed as is currently the case.

Todd Zenger asked whether the language proposed would meet federal requirements. Doug answered that it does. The language was amended to strike the requirement that the board adopt formal resolutions regarding pay, as that was not necessary.

**Motion:**    **I move we accept the Paid Leave During School Dismissal Under Extraordinary Circumstances Policy as a First Reading, subject to removal of the following Words; “Through a formal resolution” in section C1.**

Made by:            Todd Zenger

Seconded by:     Gayleen Gandy

Called for vote:    President Winder

Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

## **BOARD REPORTS**

Todd Zenger: He is happy with the outstanding job principals and teachers are doing. He has been in communication with Janice Wayman at Hartvigsen and they will be having a drive through graduation. He is looking forward to that event on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Connie Anderson: She has been driving through neighborhoods and is excited to see yard signs for seniors and teachers and our Wi-Fi school buses. She appreciates how hard everyone is working under such difficult circumstances.

Connie Burgess: Thanked everyone for putting in the time and effort to help students continue learning.

Nicole McDermott: Visited with many principals who said that teachers are working at all hours of the day to teach and connect with students. She thanked teachers for the above and beyond things they are doing. She also thanked principals for going to visit students. Principals told her that they appreciate the open communication from the district. She thanked all employee groups for the work they do. She attended online community council meetings and thanked those council members for their work.

Terry Bawden: He misses face to face interaction with our staff. He thanked employees for all they do. He reviewed the negotiation documents and thanked the negotiating teams for their work, and he is impressed with their efforts. He also pointed out that we can anticipate being fully staffed because of our negotiations.

Gayleen Gandy: She believes that graduation this year will be a very memorable, unique, and personal experience. She said we have an amazing education community in our district. She echoed the thanks that others expressed tonight.

Karyn Winder: Reminded board members to contact administration with questions prior to board meeting so that they can be prepared with an answer at board meeting. She agreed with the thanks and recognitions expressed tonight. She thanked Terry Bawden for his comments regarding negotiations and being fully staffed for next school year. Then she added her thanks to those involved in the negotiation process. Karyn also recognized that our PTAs are working hard to plan activities and are giving support to our schools. She is excited about seniors having an opportunity to walk for their graduations. Our district is putting the cherry on top with an extra mile effort to recognize seniors and she really appreciates the extra work. Karyn wants our seniors to know that this will be a special graduation and she encouraged them to continue to be resilient and have fun. She said we look forward to honoring them.

**Motion:            I move we adjourn.**

Made by:            Gayleen Gandy

Seconded by:      Todd Zenger

Called for vote:    President Winder

Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.