

# Granite School District

## Board of Education Study Session November 17, 2020

A study session of the Board of Education of Granite School District convened in Auditorium A at the Granite Education Center, 2500 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. President Karyn Winder called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m., those in attendance:

Karyn Winder	President
Connie Burgess	Vice President
Connie Anderson	Board Member
Terry Bawden	Board Member
Nicole McDermott	Board Member
Kris Nguyen	Board Member
Todd Zenger	Board Member

Board members elect, Clarke Nelson and Julie Jackson, also attended this study session.

The following members of the administration were present:

Martin Bates	Superintendent
David Garrett	Business Administrator/Treasurer
Don Adams	Assistant Superintendent
Rick Anthony	Assistant Superintendent
Leslie Bell	Assistant Superintendent
John Welburn	Assistant Superintendent

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

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

#### Purchases:

1. Epic Sound Systems, Schools, Audio Enhancement - \$537,756.92
2. Kami Subscription, Schools, Notable Incorporated - \$76,486.50
3. Microsoft EES Agreement, Information Systems, Insight Public Sector - \$444,975.63
4. OWL Meeting Pro, Schools, George Webb Sales - \$129,920.25
5. Robotic Floor Scrubbers, Custodial Services, Brady Industrial - \$264,906.08
6. Screencastify Subscription, Schools, Screencastify LLC - \$54,000.00
7. Student Desk Dividers, Schools, American Business Solutions - \$228,700.00
8. Student & Staff Masks with Logo, Schools, Universal Athletic - \$121,360.00
9. Student/Teacher Headphones, Schools, Troxell Communications - \$64,950.00

Award of Contracts:

1. Earthwork, Cyprus High, Ames Construction - \$3,887,250.00
2. Fire Sprinkler Project, GTI, Wasatch West - \$199,568.00
3. VAV Boxes, Oakwood Elementary, Commercial Mechanical - \$71,000.00
4. VAV Boxes, Woodstock Elementary, Archer Construction - \$56,855.00

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

Made by:            Connie Burgess  
Seconded by:      Nicole McDermott

Called for vote:    President Winder  
Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

**STUDY SESSION:**

Ben Horsley reminded the board of the Long-Range Capital Plan placed on the ballot in November 2017. Prior to that vote a public input campaign was implemented, and surveys were conducted. At that time the preferred option to finance capital projects was a hybrid model which included an initial 10-year bond tax increase with tax revenue maintained thereafter. There will need to be a tax hearing in June 2021 shifting funding from debt service to capital levy. According to the adopted plan, these shifts will occur every year until 2032 when the bonds are all paid off. The district is required by state law to advertise this to taxpayers as a tax increase. However, because the amount a property owner pays will move from the bond debt service to capital levy there will not be a net increase for the property owners to pay. The district will begin communication to taxpayers reminding them of the long-range plan and advertising the tax increase.

Don Adams discussed the phased rollout for projects. Unfortunately work on projects has slowed from 2017 projections because of increases in construction costs, trade tariffs, and unforeseen construction demands. He discussed goals for remodels which include physical improvements for outdated components, some aesthetic changes, and updates for current educational and technology needs.

Karyn Winder thanked the administration, this bond plan has provided a way for us to take care of our buildings in a fiscally responsible way.

**Motion:**           **I move we adjourn.**

Made by:            Nicole McDermott  
Seconded by:      Terry Bawden

Called for vote:    President Winder  
Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.