

# Granite School District

## Board of Education Study Session January 19, 2021

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 4:04 p.m., those in attendance:

Karyn Winder	President
Nicole McDermott	Vice President
Terry Bawden	Board Member
Connie Burgess	Board Member
Julie Jackson	Board Member
Clarke Nelson	Board Member
Kris Nguyen	Board Member

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.

**WELCOME** - Karyn Winder

### **ACTION ITEM:**

#### **Administrative Appointment**

Mandy Chapple	Assistant Principal, Valley Junior High (effective February 16, 2021)
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**Motion:** I move we approve this administrative appointment.

Made by: Terry Bawden  
Seconded by: Nicole McDermott

Called for vote: President Winder  
Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

**STUDY SESSION:**

**Davis Demographics, Population Analysis Discussion**

Steve Hogan, Director of Planning and Boundaries, introduced Scott Torlucci from Davis Demographics. Mr. Torlucci presented the forecast calculations for the entire district boundary using October 2019/20 data and based on student residence. Factors that influence future student population are kindergarten enrollment, new housing, and mobility. The district wide forecast projects a decline in student enrollment over the next five years. Davis Demographics grouped five geographic areas in the district and compared 2019/20 enrollment to projected future enrollment. Their calculations show how many schools will be needed to support the projected populations in each elementary school area. (Exhibit #2135)

Mr. Hogan discussed a minimum average school target enrollment of 550 in grades K-5. This number addresses many concerns about small schools in the district. This target enrollment number allows 3-4 teachers per grade level, opportunity to match student learning style to the teacher, more collaboration for professional learning committees and better use of district resources.

The board asked questions and discussed the information presented. Board members asked for clarification about timelines and how they should plan to use information from this study

Superintendent Bates cited an infographic which summarizes current population study policy. The policy includes guidelines required by state law. He suggested that board members familiarize themselves with this information. The board may study and consider changes to the policy. (Exhibit #2136)

**Motion:**                      **I move we adjourn to an Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining and character and competence of individuals.**

Made by:                      Nicole McDermott  
Seconded by:                      Kris Nguyen

Called for voice vote:                      President Winder

Results:                      For:    Against:  
Terry Bawden  
Connie Burgess  
Julie Jackson  
Nicole McDermott  
Clarke Nelson  
Kris Nguyen  
Karyn Winder

The meeting adjourned and the board convened an Executive Session in Auditorium A.