

Granite School District
Board of Education Meeting
March 2, 2021

A meeting of 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 Karyn Winder called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., those in attendance:

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

Clarke Nelson, Board Member, participated electronically.

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.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Student Information System Request for Proposals (RFP)

Rick Anthony updated the board on the work of a committee evaluating our Student Information System (SIS) which is currently Discovery. There are multiple functions of an SIS and it provides the data to other outside systems for student grades, transportation, communication, student fees, etc. Programing modifications are made periodically to allow for better data sharing between systems. There are currently challenges especially regarding the grading platforms of the two programs we use. Before investing in additional programing to address these and other issues, we are exploring our options and deciding if a new system is warranted. The procurement process and timeline were discussed, and that process will continue through this year. (Exhibit #2144)

Distance Plan 2021-2022

Rick Anthony presented a plan for the future of Granite Online. We will provide flexible and personalized learning options for Granite families. Moving forward Granite Online will provide synchronous and asynchronous solutions for all grades. Elementary online learning will be

separate from the local school. We will hire dedicated online teachers for the online program. In secondary grades we will pay interested teachers to add online sections to their schedules. Boundary school administrators will consult with parents to educate them about Granite Online and the expectations involved. When plans are finalized with principals this information will go to parents. Funding for this plan will come from Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER) for the next two years. This is a flexible solution which may have decreasing participation over time. If interest increases, we will adjust the program accordingly. (Exhibit #2145)

Meeting adjourned for a dinner break.

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

The Granite School District Board of Education reconvened at 7:02 p.m. in the Boardroom. President Karyn Winder welcomed all in attendance for this session and called for a roll call of board members; all board members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mark Ellermeier, Principal, Eisenhower Junior High

Reverence: Mark Ellermeier introduced a recording of the Eisenhower Junior High Encore Choir

MAYOR PARTICIPATION – None

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – None

CONSENT ITEMS

Minutes, February 2 & 16, 2021

Purchases:

1. Caps and Gowns, High Schools, Jostens - \$103,550.00
2. Chiller, Bacchus Elementary, Horizon Mechanical - \$164,000.00
3. Chiller, Valley Crest Elementary, Commercial Mechanical - \$319,000.00
4. COVID-19 Tests, Support Services, Utah Department of Health - \$50,252.50
5. Equipment, Information Systems, ConvergeOne - \$74,474.00
6. Fertilizing and Weed Control, All District Sites, Brett Miller Landscaping - \$61,080.00
7. Software Support, Harris School Solutions dba Quintessential School Systems - \$166,541.76

Change Orders:

1. Earthquake Damage Group #4, JMCS - \$177,334.55
2. Skyline High Power and Lighting, Hughes Contractors - \$78,896.51
3. Skyline High Relocatable Design Work, Elevate - \$152,410.00

Personnel:

1. Leave of Absence
2. Employee Hires and Separations
3. Administrative Appointments
Appointments, effective July 1, 2021

David Gomez
Steve Perschon
Kathlyn Anderson
Heather Bakrim-Miller
Alexandria Terrazas

Director, Educational Equity
Director, School Leadership & Improvement
Open Contract
Open Contract
Open Contract

Financial Reports:

1. Purchase Order Summary - \$7,485,428.02
2. Accounts Payable Pay Vouchers - \$23,992,206.72
3. Change Order Summary Report - \$1,342,244.46
4. Principals' Cash Report – January 2021
5. Monthly Budget Report – January 2021

LAND Trust Amendments

Negotiation Team with the Granite Educational Support Professionals Association

School Student Achievement Plans (SSAP)

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

Made by: Nicole McDermott

Seconded by: Julie Jackson

Called for vote: President Winder

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

Individuals receiving administrative appointments were introduced.

FIRST READING

VII.G.1 Annual Student Population Review

Doug Larson reviewed changes to Utah Code 53G-4-402 and SB245 regarding notice and other requirements for review of student populations, school boundaries, and school facility issues. (Exhibit #2146)

Board comments: The board emphasized a need to increase communication with communities at every step in the process. Initial notification to communities should be as close as possible to the February presentation when the list is presented (section D). Identify October as the month in the fall for a final plan of action to be presented to the board (section F).

Motion: **I move we approve the First Reading of the Annual Student Population Review with amendments to sections D and F.**

Made by: Terry Bawden

Seconded by: Kris Nguyen

Called for vote: President Winder

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD REPORTS

Superintendent Bates reported on *Test to Sway*, State Health Department issued guidance regarding school dances and other school activities. John Welburn shared documents summarizing the activity guidelines for high schools, junior high schools, and elementary schools. These documents will be posted on our website. (Exhibit #2147)

Clarke Nelson attended Aladdin at Granite Park Junior High; it was terrific. The audit committee is organized and ready to go.

Kris Nguyen attend Aladdin at Granite Park and Much Ado about Nothing at Cyprus, both were excellent. She is impressed with the efforts of everyone involved at Cyprus High with the test to play program. Our teachers and staff are doing heavy lifting and doing a great job.

Connie Burgess attended Aladdin at Granite Park and Adams Family at Taylorsville High. She is grateful for testing so that students could perform. She reviewed SSAP plans and hopes funding will be available to help with learning lost because of the pandemic.

Terry Bawden attended the last JLC meeting. He thanked the district for hosting superintendents and board members of other districts. He appreciated the comments from superintendents who attended.

Julie Jackson agreed that it was interesting, and she learned from other superintendents who participated. She attended PTA and Community Council meetings and is thankful for the dedication of so many people. She is inspired by our students and hopeful that this generation of students who have been impacted by the pandemic will go forward and do great things.

Nicole McDermott attended performances at Kearns and Cottonwood High schools. She thanked teachers and PTA for their efforts to provide creative reading activities this week. She visited the food pantry at Beehive Elementary, it is impressive. She thanked Ben Horsley for the legislative tracker.

Karyn Winder thanked Ben Horsley and Martin Bates for the active role they play in JLC. She thanked Terry Bawden for attending all the meetings. She attended a choir concert at Granger High and it was so nice to be back in the school watching students. She has enjoyed attending schools and classrooms the past several weeks. Students are engaged, on task, and excited. There are many successes thanks to our teachers. The superintendent position will close on Friday at 5:00 p.m. There will be a board meeting at 5:30 next Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

Motion: **I motion that we adjourn.**

Made by: Nicole McDermott

Seconded by: Kris Nguyen

Called for vote: President Winder

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:31p.m.