

Granite School District
Board of Education Meeting
October 5, 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 6:00 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:

Rich Nye	Superintendent
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Stacy Bushell, Executive Secretary, was also in attendance

BOARD MEETING

President Winder said the board has need of an executive session for the purpose of character and competence and called for a motion.

Motion: **I motion that we move to an Executive Session for the purpose of character and competence.**

Made by: Julie Jackson
Seconded by: Nicole McDermott

Called for voice vote: President Winder

<u>Results:</u>	<u>For:</u>	<u>Against:</u>
	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 room B-217.

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

The Granite School District Board of Education reconvened at 7:03 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.

The following members of the administration were present:

Rich Nye	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, and Stacy Bushell, Executive Secretary, were in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance: Rick Anthony

Reverence: Eisenhower Junior High Choir

RECOGNITION

National Principals Month

Ben Horsley shared a video snapshot of Superintendent Nye interviewing Brenda Byrnes, principal at Woodstock Elementary. Following the video presentation Mr. Horsley asked those who have served as a principal to stand and be recognized for their contributions.

GRANITE ELECTED OFFICIAL PARTICIPATION – None

PATRON PARTICIPATION – None

CONSENT ITEMS

Minutes, September 7 & 21, 2021

Purchases:

1. English Language Learner Assessment, District-wide, Ellevation Inc. - \$192,891.55
2. G Suite Enterprise for Education, Insight Public Sector, Inc. - \$74,222.00
3. Human Trafficking Youth Prevention Education, Strands Global Foundation - \$139,733.00
4. Rental of Pools, Kearns High School, Kearns Oquirrh Park Fitness Center - \$126,322.65

Change Orders:

1. Skyline High School, Hughes General Contractors - \$270,934.30
2. Skyline High School, Hughes General Contractors - \$193,225.74

Personnel:

1. Employee Hires and Separations
2. LEA Specific Licenses

Financial Reports:

1. Purchase Order Summary
2. Accounts Payable Pay Vouchers
3. Direct Electronic Transfer of Funds
4. Change Order Summary Report
5. Principals' Cash Report
6. Monthly Budget Report

LAND Trust Amendments

School Community Council Exemptions:

Arcadia, Bacchus, Copper Hills, Diamond Ridge, Granger, Hillsdale, Lake Ridge, Olene Walker, Redwood, and Silver Hills elementary schools.

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

INFORMATION ITEMS

Construction Update

Don Adams and Justin Naegle, Architecture, Engineering and Construction Services Director, presented an update on the status of various projects listed below. (Exhibit #2214)

Security Upgrades

Timeline for all projects

Robert Frost, West Valley, Gerald Wright, Whittier, Eastwood, and Oakridge elementary schools,

Campus Expansions

West Lake STEM (Westbrook Campus), FACS Modular Building
Taylorsville High, Relocatable Classroom Complex

Other Projects

Cottonwood High, Track Reconstruction
Thomas Jefferson Junior High, Chiller Upgrade

New Construction

Skyline High, Athletics Complex
Cyprus High, Site Preparation

Demolition, Abatement, and Replacement

West Lake STEM

The board would like increased communication with communities affected by district demolition and construction projects. Signs are posted at the West Lake site to stay out of demolition areas. A safe location will be designated for patrons who would like to take a brick from the site. We have signage posted and plans for additional signage in the Cyprus area for the construction of the high school. Plans are underway for a groundbreaking ceremony at Cyprus High School.

COVID Case Management Update

Robyn Roper, Related Services Associate Director, shared information about the ways the district has assisted the Salt Lake County Health Department with contact tracing and communication efforts. The health department is implementing an infrastructure to reclaim the COVID responsibilities in their entirety. Our efforts will continue in other areas; we are prepared for Test to Stay protocols, we will continue to provide COVID testing at Jefferson Junior High community center, we maintain a COVID resource page on our website, and we plan to provide vaccination clinics in some of our schools through the end of the month. (Exhibit #2215)

SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD REPORTS

Superintendent Nye said that enrollment numbers are up, and an enrollment report will be shared once the data is finalized. He has visited most of our schools and enjoys the opportunity to observe and talk with students, teachers, and administrators. He appreciates the efforts of board members to be in schools. Town Hall meetings have allowed him to get valuable feedback from our teachers, school community councils, and PTAs. The feedback he received will be used to identify and prioritize actions to address areas of greatest concern.

Clarke Nelson met with principals and talked with community members; he is sincerely grateful for the feedback he receives.

Kris Nguyen loves to visit schools to see what is happening in classrooms. One of her favorite quotes is “There are no great schools without great principals”, she thanked principals for the work they do. She encouraged parents to support teachers and administrators in their schools.

Nicole McDermott attended the USBE meeting where they reviewed legislative priorities. She thanked everyone who participated in parent teacher conferences. She thanked teachers for their efforts to make lessons available to students online in circumstances when they cannot attend school.

Connie Burgess is grateful that students can participate in extracurricular activities. She thanked the adults who make those programs possible. She met with legislators and thanked them for all they do for education.

Julie Jackson enjoyed the USBA Leadership Conference where they could take time to collaborate with other board members in Utah. She appreciates the fundraising efforts and activities planned by PTAs so far this year. She thanked principals for the many things they do for students in ways that are not seen.

Terry Bawden attended faculty meetings in his schools. Everyone is doing a great job. He appreciates the work of senior staff at the district.

Karyn Winder talked about the importance of the training they receive at conferences like the USBA Leadership Academy. She is impressed with the current board members and the amount of time they spend in schools. She enjoys reading with students in the classroom. Teachers are working so hard and doing it with a smile on their faces. They are doing amazing things. She met with Jessica Dunn, the new GEA Executive Director. Ms. Dunn shared teacher concerns and provided feedback for the board. We have many new people in key roles and Ms. Winder believes we have the right people in those positions.

Motion: **I move we adjourn.**

Made by: Julie Jackson

Seconded by: Kris Nguyen

Called for vote: President Winder

Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.