

# Granite School District

## Board of Education Study Session October 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 5:06 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
David Garrett	Business Administrator/Treasurer
Don Adams	Assistant Superintendent
Rick Anthony	Assistant Superintendent

Ben Horsley, Communications Director, Doug Larson, Policy & Legal Services Director, and Stacy Bushell, Executive Secretary were in attendance.

Leslie Bell and John Welburn, Assistant Superintendents, were excused.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **Construction Fiscal Updates and Approval**

Don Adams and Justin Naegle, Architecture, Engineering and Construction Director presented information about construction costs and market conditions. They reviewed the historic cost escalation index, November 2019 estimates, modeling increases, and a current cost summary. In November 2019, the board approved budgets to rebuild Skyline and Cyprus high schools. Now that final bidding for the Skyline High School replacement has been competed, we have a revised cost for board approval. (Exhibit #2216).

Aaron Youngberg from Elevate Architects and Dave Hart, MOCA representative, were in attendance to answer questions from board members.

Board Discussion: Board members asked questions about the guaranteed maximum price (GMP) and if there are foreseeable factors that could influence additional changes to the final cost of the school. They reviewed reasons the budget amount has changed since 2019 and what we can expect now that all phases of design are complete. Mr. Adams talked about the change order

process and estimated costs of change orders. Board members asked about current enrollment at Skyline and the rationale for designing the school to accommodate 2400 students which is larger than current enrollment. Clarke Nelson also noted that more than 20 percent of Skyline's current population comes from outside district boundaries. Other board members who served at the beginning of this process further mentioned a desire to maintain diverse courses and support student programs and that student population was previously considered.

President Winder asked for input on a structure for the board going forward to track and monitor construction progress, change orders, and costs on a regular basis. Monthly updates covering these topics will be presented in board meetings. In addition, the budget office is working on updating revenue projection models based on current numbers to estimate future capital project timelines. This information will be presented at a future board meeting.

**Motion: I motion that we approve a new budget for Skyline High at 174 million.**

Made by: Julie Jackson  
Seconded by: Connie Burgess

Called for vote: President Winder  
For:  
Terry Bawden  
Connie Burgess  
Julie Jackson  
Nicole McDermott  
Kris Nguyen  
Karyn Winder

Against:  
Clarke Nelson

Results: Motion Passed

President Winder called for a 10-minute recess. Following the break board members reconvened in Auditorium A.

### **Granite Park Junior Additional Hard Surface**

An additional relocatable at this site is needed to accommodate an increase in student population.

**Motion: I motion that we accept the proposal for the Granite Park Junior additional hard surface.**

Made by: Nicole McDermott  
Seconded by: Kris Nguyen

Called for vote: President Winder  
Results: Motion Passed Unanimously

### **Precinct Boundary Adjustments**

Ben Horsley and Steve Hogan shared the process and objectives per Utah code for adjustment of precinct boundaries based on 2020 census data. The recommendations from our board will be presented to Salt Lake County for consideration. Two maps were shown, one version with the

new boundary lines and one map indicating the changes to precinct boundaries. (Exhibit #2217)  
Nicole McDermott asked for the map indicating changes to be updated to reflect one of the areas that changed in her precinct.

**Motion:**            **I move that we recommend the map for the redistricting for submission to the county council.**

Made by:            Kris Nguyen

Seconded by:     Julie Jackson

Called for vote:    President Winder

Results:            Motion Passed Unanimously

President Karyn Winder called for a motion to adjourn.

**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 7:16 p.m.