

Minutes of the Board of Education
 Emery County School District
 December 3, 2003
 Book Cliff Elementary School, Green River, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Members present were Laurel Johansen, Rue Ware, Sam Singleton, Royd Hatt, and Marie Johnson. Others present were Kirk Sitterud, Superintendent and Ross Huntington, Business Administrator.

A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the warrants, and to approve the minutes with a wording change on page one, paragraph seven i.e., change the word “constructed” to “completed”. The motion passed unanimously.

Nolan Johnson, Principal at Book Cliff Elementary (BCE) and Green River High School (GRHS) was welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Johnson reported on a couple of the successful programs in operation at his school including the Guided Reading Program and Light Span Edutest. They are in the process of implementing Mighty Math but will postpone implementation of the SHURLY program until after the Guided Reading Program is fully implemented. Book Cliff began recognizing student in the paper for Student of Week this year for the first time in many years. They have also added a school news letter to help communicate school concerns and news items.

Mr. Johnson stated that they are in the process of establishing a bus loading and unloading area on the street north of the school. This would help alleviate some of the safety concerns over the present practice which is to load and unload on the west side of the school in the same area as parents pickup and drop off kids in their vehicles.

Mr. Johnson requested the Board look into the possibility of building an additional gymnasium at GRHS. Because of liability issues the LDS Church no longer allows outside groups to use their gymnasiums placing additional pressure on the use at GRHS. Basically, there is no time available for community use until after basketball season ends on March 8th.

The Board extended appreciation to Mr. Johnson his teachers and his staff for all they do to help kids.

After discussing alternative meeting schedules, a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the following meeting schedule for calender year 2004:

Month	Date	Day	Time	Location
January	7	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Canyon View Jr High School
February	4	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Cottonwood Elementary
March	3	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Huntington Elementary
April	7	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Cleveland Elementary
May	5	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Castle Dale Elementary
June	16	Wednesday	7:00 PM	District Office
July	7	Wednesday	7:00 PM	District Office
August	11	Wednesday	7:00 PM	District Office

September	1	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Emery High School
October	6	Wednesday	5:00 PM	Green River Schools
November	3	Wednesday	7:00PM	Ferron Elementary
December	1	Wednesday	7:00PM	San Rafael Jr High School

The Castle Valley Center, which is left off this year's schedule will be the first on the list for calendar year 2005. The motion passed unanimously.

Carpet bids from Affordable Flooring, Kevin's Carpets, Red Carpet, and Robert Wood Flooring were considered and discussed. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Rue Ware to award the bid to the apparent low bidder, Affordable Flooring of Castle Dale. The motion passed unanimously.

Ross Huntington gave a brief report on the status of the warehouse. It is scheduled to be completed on the 19th of this month. Final inspection is scheduled for the 21st. It may be delayed slightly because of the additions of bulwarks (retaining devices) to the freezer and refrigerator.

New intercom systems are in the process of being ordered for Cottonwood and Huntington Elementary Schools. Roofing projects will need to be done at both Castle Dale Elementary School and the Science Wing at Emery High School (EHS) sometime during the next year. Copies of proposed heating and cooling projects at EHS, GRHS, and BCE were presented to the Board for consideration. Due to the scope of the projects it was the consensus of the Board to delay any action until they have add time to study the proposed projects at more length.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the Board approve a revision to policy DBL, Employee Payroll Changes. This policy is being revised to remove Educator's Mutual Insurance. No other changes were made. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud requested Board authorization for him to attend the National School Boards Association Convention in Orlando, Florida in March of 2004. A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to authorize the Superintendent to attend the convention. The motion passed unanimously.

Other items relayed to the Board were 1) the No Child Left Behind Consolidated Plan, 2) School Performance Reports under UPASS, 3) an update on No Child Left Behind, 4) the legislative session begins January 19th and ends on March 4th, and 5) the proposed interscholastic sports realignment, effective for the 2005-2006 school year which would move EHS to 2-A classification.

A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues and possible litigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening to general session a motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.