

Minutes of the Board of Education  
Emery County School District  
May 4, 2005  
Cleveland Elementary School, Cleveland , Utah

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Royd Hatt, Sam Singleton, Marie Johnson and Rue Ware. Others present were Superintendent Kirk Sitterud and Business Administrator Ross Huntington.

Jed Jensen, Elementary Supervisor, and JJ Grant, Secondary Supervisor were also present. Carol Ediger represented the Emery Education Association. The press was not represented.

After a welcome by Laurel Johansen a motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the warrants, and the minutes with two minor corrections. The motion passed unanimously.

Ed Clark, Principal at Cleveland Elementary and Career and Technology Education (CTE) Supervisor, was welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Clark reported on student enrollment, community involvement, working towards state and national guidelines, and the tremendous support of school staff. He noted that Desert View Federal Credit Union had recently given the school a \$5,000 grant for the purchase of supplemental reading materials. Taylor Miller, a sixth grade student, qualified to compete in the state level Geography Bee. Taylor is one of only 100 students in the state to qualify for the event and the only student to qualify from the Emery District. Mr. Clark thanked the Board for their support.

Mr. Clark then switched hats to his CTE Supervisor role and reported that five classes now being taught at Emery High School (EHS) have been approved for concurrent enrollment status by the College of Eastern Utah. Students who successfully complete the classes will receive three college credits for each of the classes. This is a wonderful improvement to the program and certainly an enormous benefit to students.

Superintendent Sitterud reported on the proposed offering of summer camps by the Emery Economic Development Council. The Council will offer three camps; a Children's Theater Camp, a Paleontology Camp, and a Science Camp. Tuition will be \$150 for each of the camps. The school district will pay 50% of the tuition from their Incentives For Excellence Program.

Mr. J.J. Grant filled in for EHS football coach Kevin Reynolds and requested board approval for a bus to transport potential team members to a one day summer camp. A motion to approve the request was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware, noting that it was a one day, one time approval. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud reported the latest information available on the proposed swimming pool.

Board members Laurel Johansen and Rue Ware volunteered to preside at the Green River High School graduation on the 26<sup>th</sup> together with the Superintendent. Board member Sam Singleton and Secondary Supervisor J.J. Grant will preside at the EHS graduation, also on the 26th.

A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Royd Hatt to declare three buses and three automobiles surplus and offer them for sale to the public. The three buses, fleet numbers 911,921, and 922 are all Bluebird, All-American models in use since 1991 and 1992. The three cars, fleet numbers D28, D31, and D32 are all 1990 model Corsicas or Luminas. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended Sherrie McMullin be hired as an elementary teacher, with the school assignment to be made later, for next school year and Kisty Ward be hired as the Cheerleader Advisor at Canyon View Jr. High School (CVJHS) for next school year also. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended the board approve the request of Barry and Karen Bishop for assistance under policy GCPCAB "District Purchase of Employee Service Credit". Noting that both qualify, a motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the request. The motion passed unanimously.

Letters of resignation from Nancy Karpowitz, Counselor at CVJHS and EHS, and from Charles Durrant, a teacher at San Rafael Jr High School, were presented to the Board and recommended for acceptance by the Superintendent. A motion was made by Sam Singleton and seconded by Rue Ware to accept their resignations. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Sitterud recommended approval of Trust Land Plans submitted by, Castle Dale, Book Cliff, Cottonwood, Huntington, Cleveland, and Ferron Elementary Schools, from Canyon View Jr High School, and from Green River High and Emery High. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the plans. The motion passed unanimously.

Block Grant Plans in Quality Teaching and Interventions for Student Success were briefly discussed. Noting that the only change from last year was in the state allocation amount, the plans were recommended for approval by the Superintendent. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Laurel Johansen to approve the plans as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Bids for asbestos abatement at EHS this coming summer were submitted for approval. Eagle Environmental from North Salt Lake City bid \$14,817 and Fresh Air Environmental bid \$15,830. Based on the favorable price of \$1.75 per square foot for additional work and the lowest overall bid, it was recommended by Business Administrator Ross Huntington that the contract be expanded an additional 1680 square feet and awarded to Eagle Environmental. A motion was

made by Rue Ware and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was then made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues and the current status of negotiations. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon reconvening to general session a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to approve the early retirement request of Mary Ella Fowler, a teacher at Cleveland Elementary. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Rue Ware and seconded by Royd Hatt to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.