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The December 2010 meeting of the Emery County School District Board of Education, held at Canyon View Junior High School, was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President Laurel Johansen. Other Board members present were Vice-President Royd Hatt, Marie Johnson, Sam Singleton and Nanette Tanner (attending electronically). Superintendent Kirk Sitterud was also present as was Business Administrator Jared Black.

Mrs. Johansen welcomed all in attendance and led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Action Item (B1): Members of the Board considered the warrants as well as the minutes for the November 2010 Board meeting and the financial reports for October 2010. A motion was made by Sam Singleton to approve the warrants, minutes and financial reports as presented. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (B2): Mr. Sitterud recommended to the Board that the following individuals be approved for the positions indicated:

<i>Suzette Roberts:</i>	<i>Educational Assistant, 3 hr.</i>	<i>Cottonwood Elementary</i>
<i>Rayford Kenneth Crowson:</i>	<i>CTE Teacher</i>	<i>Green River High</i>

Marie Johnson motioned to approve the hiring recommendation as presented. Sam Singleton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. All approvals are subject to the completion and review of a background check.

Board Action Item (B3): A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to approve the monthly meeting calendar for School Board Meetings in 2010. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of this calendar is attached as part of the official minutes.

Board Action Item (B4): Superintendent Sitterud presented the three-year calendar for 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14. He explained that he requested input from throughout the school district before finalizing the proposed calendar. A motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Sam Singleton to approve the three year calendar as presented. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of this calendar is attached as part of the official minutes.

Board Action Item (B5): Superintendent Sitterud explained that Mr. Kava is requesting to take 5 students to the 4th annual competition in Hobbs, New Mexico, next year on February 3rd. Most costs, including transportation are provided by CEU. The automotive program has had excellent success at this competition in the past, even though it is a Junior College level competition. Sam Singleton motioned to approve the travel as presented. Nanette Tanner seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (B6): Superintendent Sitterud presented the Education Jobs funding application for approval. This application requires Board approval and stipulates certain assurances by the District in order to receive the funding, which will provide \$249,821 of one-time funding that can be used for compensation and benefits. Marie Johnson made a motion to approve the application. Laurel Johansen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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Board Action Item (B7): Mr. Black explained that he had advertised for proposals to lease the 9 acres of land owned by the school district in Emery town. He received only one proposal, from Farren and Tina Hunsaker, who would like to lease the property for farming/agricultural purposes at a rate of \$250 per year. He presented a proposed lease agreement to the Board for approval. The agreement would renew at 5 year increments and have an opt-out clause for either party with 12 months notice. Sam Singleton made a motion to approve the lease agreement. Marie Johnson seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

Board Action Item (B8): Mr. Black presented real estate contracts for the purchase of two lots in Castle Dale. The lots are located close enough to Emery High that they could be used for the building construction program at some time in the future. Mike Harding is the seller. One lot would have the culinary connection provided at no cost, the other does not have any culinary rights or shares. The lots are adjoining and are just over a quarter of an acre each. Mr. Black requested that the Board approve the purchase of these lots. Royd Hatt made a motion to approve the purchase as explained. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Report Item (C1): Principal Jim Jones welcomed the Board to Canyon View Junior High and thanked them for their support of the school. He gave members of the Board a packet of information about Canyon View, including faculty and staff qualifications, demographics, academic data, character education and activities. He mentioned his appreciation for the faculty and staff at Canyon View. Ryan Hepworth, school counselor, presented information on anti-bullying efforts at the school. Mrs. Johansen thanked Principal Jones and Mr. Hepworth for their presentations as well as their work to improve education at Canyon View.

Report Item (C2): Superintendent Sitterud gave Board members a copy of the new Utah High School Activities Association region alignments, which will be effective next school year. Emery High will move from 3A to 2A and be in a region with San Juan, Grand, South Sevier and Richfield high schools. Green River will remain in 1A and will be in the same region. Ferron and Huntington Elementary Schools were recently recognized as Utah High Performing Title I schools—both for the second year in a row. He as well as members of the Board offered their congratulations to these schools, their faculty, staff and administration. Mr. Sitterud also mentioned that the State Board of Education is working on a plan to implement a statewide school report card / grading system.

Report Item (C3): Mr. Black had nothing additional to report on.

Public Comments (D): No public comments were made.

Closed Meeting (E): At 7:54 p.m., a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Royd Hatt to move to a closed meeting to discuss the character and professional competence of individuals. Member voting on this motion was as follows:

- Laurel Johansen Aye
- Royd Hatt Aye
- Marie Johnson Aye
- Sam Singleton Aye
- Nanette Tanner Aye (Electronically)

Certification of Closed Executive Session (Utah Code 52-4-206)

I, Laurel Johansen, President of the Emery County School District Board of Education, certify and swear that the sole purpose of the above closed executive session was to review and discuss the character and professional competence of individuals. Under the code referenced above, a closed executive session discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual is exempt from recording requirements and therefore, this closed executive session was not recorded.

Laurel Johansen

Adjournment (F): At 8:43 p.m., upon reconvening to open meeting, a motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Nanette Tanner to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.