

MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 11, 2020

WORK SESSION (6:30 pm):

A1. The Audit Review was given by James Gilbert from Gilbert & Stewart, contracted outside auditors for the District. Discussion was focused on net position and the financial outlook for the district based on the FY20 audited financial reports. Their report indicated that the reports represent fairly in all material respects the financial position of the District as of June 30, 2020 with a clean audit.

A2. Building use for the district facilities was discussed. Considering the state-wide closure of all activities outside of school, there will not be any activities while restriction is in place. If restrictions are removed, a procedure has been outlined for principals to schedule their buildings. Schools have been a safe place for the students to be based on contact tracing results.

REGULAR SESSION:

The November 11, 2020 meeting of the Board of Education, held electronically via WebEx due to the COVID-19 outbreak and as authorized by District policy BEAA—Electronic School Board Meetings, was called to order at 7:00 pm by Board President Tracey Johnson. Vice-President Marie Johnson and members Kenzi Guymon, Royd Hatt, and Jessy Johansen were also present. Superintendent Jared Black and Business Administrator Jackie Allred were in attendance.

B1/B2: President Johnson welcomed all in attendance and in-lieu of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, Tracey gave appreciation to the veterans of our country, honoring the holiday today and also to those that are still serving our country.

PRESENTATIONS:

C1: Jackie Allred presented to the Board the audit results for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for June 30, 2020 giving an update on the District’s positive financial status.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

D1: Kenzi Guymon motioned to approve the Consent Items a) October Warrants b) Minutes from September and October 2020 meetings and c) Monthly financial reports for October 2020. Royd Hatt seconded the motion with all approving.

D2: Superintendent Black recommended the following individuals for board approval:

- Misty Farley Administrative Secretary District Office
- Erin Hurdsman Lead Preschool Teacher Huntington Elementary
- Brittany McCourt Assistant Preschool Teacher Huntington Elementary

Jessy Johansen motioned to approve the hiring recommendations as presented. Marie Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. All approvals are subject to the completion and review of a background check.

D3. Based on the presentation of Gilbert & Stewart a motion was made by Marie Johnson and seconded by Jessy Johansen for approval of the audit for FY20 financial reports. All board members agreed unanimously.

D4. A travel requested was presented by the GRHS FCCLA students, Kamila Escalante and Emely Orozco, regarding a charity drive they have completed and will distribute to the Grand Junction homeless shelters.

This will be for their Star Event competition in the FCCLA and would require out of state approval. The request was motioned for approval by Royd Hatt with a second from Kenzi Guymon and all voting unanimously.

D5. An LEA Specific License approval for Bryant Snow was presented by Yvonne Jensen. Marie Johnson motioned to approve and Kenzi Guymon seconded with all members voting in agreement.

D6. The At-Risk Definition for the District was presented to the board by Jared Black and Ryan Maughan for state reporting purposes. The motion was given by Royd Hatt and the second by Kenzi Guymon with all members voting aye.

D7. Policy JE Student Attendance and Truancy Intervention was presented by Jared and Ryan regarding updated language based on state requirements. This policy was motioned to approve by Kenzi Guymon with a second from Marie Johnson and passed unanimously.

D8. Policy GDA Support Staff Positions & Classification was motioned for approval by Kenzi Guymon seconded by Jessy Johansen and all members voted in agreement.

D9. Policy JFAB School Admissions was also presented. Kenzi Guymon motioned and Jessy Johansen seconded with all members voting together.

D10. FY21 Winter Extracurricular Schedules have been presented prior to the pandemic activity shutdown. Kenzi Guymon motioned the schedules to be approved realizing that the schedules will be slightly adjusted based on the pandemic status. Jessy Johansen seconded the motion and all members approving. Steven Gordon and Kayce Fluckey gave an update from a recent UHSAA meeting.

D11. CANVASSING BOND ELECTION RESULTS

Tracey Johnson asked for a motion to recess as the Board of Education and reconvene as a board of canvassers to canvass the election results. Jessy Johansen motioned and Marie Johnson motioned with a second with all members voting in unison.

Tracey Johnson asked for a motion to publicly proceed to canvass and declare the results of the bond election. The motion was given by Jessy Johansen and the second by Royd Hatt with all members voting aye.

The results of the bond election are as follows:

Total number of votes cast: 4,549

Total number of affirmative votes: 2,523

Total number of negative votes: 2,026

Tracey Johnson asked for a motion to adjourn as a board of canvassers and reconvene as the Board of Education. This motion was given by Marie Johnson with a second by Royd Hatt and all other members approving.

Tracey Johnson asked for a motion to approve and ratify the results of the special bond election. Motion was given by Jessy Johansen seconded by Royd Hatt with all board members voting for approval.

REPORTS:

E1. Principal report was given by Kayce Fluckey, principal of Green River High School. Enrollment is the lowest at Green River for several years. However, the students have been involved in many areas and competing well. The students are very diverse with over 50% as Hispanic. The social and emotional goals have adopted a program called 7 Mindsets and collaborating with Bookcliff elementary. Kayce feels this has been a big

improvement in positivity with the students. Many optional classes have been added through various resources to bring students a greater variety in electives and pathways.

Kaye Nelson, teacher, represented Bookcliff Elementary. Everyone is grateful to be back to school in person. Purchasing supplies for smaller student masks and Chromebooks have been difficult. Mondays include 7 Mindsets and have seen great results. Math Fact Fridays has also been successful. With the pandemic, the faculty/staff have been very creative to have extra-curricular activities. Appreciation was given for fully staffing all grades and issuing a bonus and supporting the school's needs.

E2. Jared Black gave the Superintendent Report. He, along with Jackie Allred, gave appreciation to the board for the support on the bond and the results of it passing. Congratulations to our Emery High Boys Cross Country team taking State!! Appreciation given to all our employees across the board for stepping up and getting through the pandemic spiking in this second term. Decisions to shutting down schools would be based on the spread being sourced at school and that has not been the case thus far. Additional grants have been approved for PPE supplies and wi-fi equipment to help the district through this transition.

Public Comments (F): None

Adjournment (H): A motion was made by Royd Hatt and seconded by Marie Johnson to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.