

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2019

Board Meeting

The Murray City School Board met in a regular board meeting on January 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Kami Anderson, Jaren Cooper, Glo Merrill, Belinda Johnson, Elizabeth Payne, Jennifer Covington, Superintendent, and Richard Reese, Business Administrator. The meeting was held at the District office, located at 5102 South Commerce Drive, Murray, UT.

Pledge of Allegiance

The audience was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Troop 4434.

Swearing-In of New Board Members

Sherrie Swenson, Salt Lake County Clerk, swore in recently elected board members, Elizabeth Payne, Belinda Johnson, and Kami Anderson.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included Approval of Minutes – December 6, 2018, claims and financial reports. Jaren Cooper made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Glo Merrill seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

Delegations

PTA – Marin Patterson, President at Horizon Elementary, addressed the Board about activities and fundraisers at the school.

MEA – Mark Allred, MEA Board Member, informed the school board that morale seems high among teachers. He welcomed the new board members and invited them to visit schools.

MASA – Heather Nicholas, President, welcomed the new school board members and said she was excited to start the new year.

MESPA – No comments.

Foundation – No comments.

Patron Statements

None

Report of the Board

Kami Anderson – Ms. Anderson congratulated Belinda Johnson on being elected to the UHSAA Board of Trustees and that Ms. Johnson will be a wonderful voice on the board. Ms. Anderson said that the district needs to try and stay ahead of mental health issues.

Glo Merrill– Ms. Merrill said that the Tooele School District “Hope Squad” is amazing. She said that there is a difference between equity and equality.

Elizabeth Payne – Ms. Payne said she was glad to be able to attend her first meeting.

Jaren Cooper – Mr. Cooper said that one take-away from the USBA conference was that there appeared to be a lot of districts struggling with mental health issues. He also questioned whether students and staff are getting what they need to implement the new technology in classrooms.

Belinda Johnson – Ms. Johnson said that she appreciated the training at the January USBA conference. She like the Tooele School District’s “Mindfulness” program.

Report of the Staff

Support Services – Rock Boyer, Director

Mr. Boyer addressed the need to install a Bi-Directional Amplifier System at Hillcrest Junior High School. The successful bid was from Utah Communications, Inc. at a cost of \$18,574.50. Glo Merrill made a motion to approve the bid. Belinda Johnson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Teaching and Learning – Scott Bushnell

School Accountability Reports – Mr. Bushnell informed the board of the new school accountability reports published by the USBE. These reports replaced the old letter grading system.

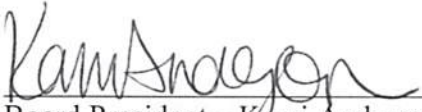
REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT – Jennifer Covington, Superintendent

Parkside Elementary School Land Trust Plan Amendment - Superintendent Covington provided an updated plan for Parkside. Belinda Johnson made a motion to accept the updated plan. Glo Merrill seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Covington also provided a legislative update to the board.

The Board was polled and unanimous in conducting a closed session for personnel and property issues at 6:23 p.m.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.


Board President – Kami Anderson


Business Administrator – Richard Reese