

Wasatch County School District Board of Education Meeting (Tuesday, July 21, 2020)

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Members present

Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth
Superintendent Sweat, Keith Johansen

Directors:

Garrick Peterson, Eric Campbell, James Judd, Kirsta Albert, Ben Springer, Shawn Kelly, Jason Watt

A. Study Session

Discussion, Information: 1. Schools Reopening Discussion

Garrick Peterson,
Ensuring all students obtain all the knowledge, skills, and dispositions that will enable them to reach their personal goals and be a productive contributing member of our society.

Review 3 options -

Full Day Traditional, Half Day/Hybrid, Online

Wasatch Learns Together -
Stay home when sick, Cleaning, Hygiene, Positive Cases & Symptoms, Face Coverings

Focus on the 3 goals for reopening -

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B. Call To Order

Procedural: 1. Roll Call of Members

Board President Baird offers Board Member Davis condolences for the passing his father Ron Davis, a former Wasatch County School District board member and community member.

Procedural: 2. Pledge of Allegiance

By Board Member Tyler Bluth

C. Community Comment

Information: 1. Public comments will be accepted for approximately twenty (20) minutes. Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of two (2) minutes.

No public comment offered

D. Information/Celebration

Information: 1. Heber Valley Elementary Before and After School Programming - Piper Riddle

This has been an endeavor for HVE for many years. TANF grant with Wasatch County was awarded in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Utah County

President Baird - Congratulations and please let the board know how they can support this endeavor.

E. Consent Items

Action (Consent): 1. Consideration and Approval of Consent Items

Resolution: Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

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Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent), Minutes:

2. Minutes -6.18.20 Board Meeting

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): **3. Separations**

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): **4. New Hires**

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): **5. Employee Status Changes**

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): **6. Travel**

Resolution: *No Travel Requests*

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): **7. Financials**

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): **8. Home School**

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action (Consent): 9. School Choice

Consideration and Approval of Consent Items E 2. - E11.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

F. Action Items**Action, Information: 1. Schools Reopening Plan - Garrick Peterson**

Review of proposed options discussed in study session.

Bring Academic Success to students, provide options for families while prioritizing health and wellbeing. The school will only function if the teachers and students are in the schools.

- Full Day Traditional - with social distancing and mitigation
- Half-Day/Hybrid - Half time with teacher, half time online or at home
- Online - K8 Harmony Education, 9-12 Edgenuity
- Homeschool - Parent Supported at Home

Wasatch Learns Together -

Survey showed that 50% of parents would like the full day option, once registration takes place we may see numbers changing.

Physical Safety Plan

County Health Department has been our partner as we have made this plan and putting measures in place. We are confident that they have guided us to put things in place that make us safe for students and teachers.

- Stay Home When Sick - kids, teachers and staff - if the virus isn't in the schools then it can't spread
- Cleaning - Increased Measures
- Hygiene - Increased Measures
- Positive Cases & Symptoms - We are trying to mitigate the virus. If someone is showing symptoms they will need to go home
- Face Coverings

As long as students and teachers are wearing face masks they will not need to be quarantined unless high risked. This is a mitigation directive from the State Health Department.

Face Coverings -

Teachers will be accommodated with as much PPE gear as they would like to feel comfortable and safe. Mask or shields are required.

If the plan is approved tonight then we will send it out to parents then on to the state. We are ready to open on August 17th.

Surveys and Comments for Planning -

Loud voices coming from all over. The survey provided data for planning purposes helping us to hear and strategically plan.

Stakeholders -

- Teachers - Principals, teachers union rep and principal feedback from teachers. Wide variety for concerns for safety, but also excited to be back in school and teach
- Parents - District PTA, Boards, Teacher Leadership and 8 Zoom meetings to share out information. A lot of people have a lot of unique needs, the options should somewhat meet those needs.

Masks - We have a mask for every kid. We have a lot of face shields for elementary school.

Busses - Mitigation protocols in place on busses. Siblings will sit next to each other. Bus drivers will be trained on best practices for mitigation. Time may be a difficult thing to work through. Hand sanitizer for every bus. It will be a learning curve for everyone. We also have a bus driver shortage.

Superintendent Sweat, "We are going to do a good job and be better every day, just as we have continued to do through this."

Motion to Approve the Schools Reopening Plan as presented by Garrick Peterson, Academic Director.

Motion by Cory Holmes, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action: 2. Student Face Coverings - Shawn Kelly

Options for staff and students.

Surgical Masks (20,000+), NUES delivered 7,000 masks with adjustable ear strings for every student, Wasatch cloth masks, custom masks at the schools, gators will be provided for all secondary students. PreK and Kinder will have shields provided. The PPE is getting easier to get. The county has helped us to order it and access it. Hand sanitizer is also in stock.

Students can bring their own face masks, but we are able to provide them to anyone who requests one.

Not Actionable, Information Only.

Action: 3. LEA Specific Educator License Requirements Policy - Shawn Kelly

Licensing guidelines allow the local board to approve LEA specific licenses.

Apply for associate level. This is replacing an ARL. There is an associates and professional level license. Local HR department will manage the approvals rather than the state.

Policy out for review till the next board meeting for public comment and feedback.

Motion by Tom Hansen, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action: 4. Animal Science Lab - Jason Watt

With an effort to build the animal science program, our teacher would like to use live animals for instruction. The animal lab that will look similar to a small barn to assist with the teaching of the curriculum for animal science. We hired our 4th Ag teacher. It is a growing program that we are excited about. The location will be near the seminary building and west campus. The lab will be enclosed to ensure the safety of the animal.

Recommend Big Buildings Direct bid in the amount of \$15,300.

Recommendation to approve the presented lab purchase for the Wasatch High School CTE Animal Science Program.

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tom Hansen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action: 5. K-3 Literacy Plan - Lana Wright/Eric Campbell

By June 1 2021

- Increase proficiency system wide, a similar goal to last year
- Reduce the number of well below students in 3rd grade literacy
- Reach these state growth goal of 60% of student reaching a typical and at-level goal

We are learning how to teach reading from the ground up through a 2 year program called LETTERS.

Thank you for the support including; Literacy Specialist, Board Initiatives, All day Kindergarten, Reading Initiative District Wide. This will help us system wide and continue to push our achievement needle forward.

Motion by Tom Hansen, second by Cory Holmes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

Action: 6. SAVVAS (Pearson) Reconciliation - James Judd

The purchasing of digital curriculum -

President Baird - Please pass along our thanks for our district technology. Other districts do not offer a device to students. The decision to move to a digital platform continues to prove a good decision.

Pearson was a partner, bought out by SAVVAS this year, the original contract was unique as it provided curriculum in all forms. We true up every year based on what we actually used during the school year. This year SAVVAS will provide a credit at the end of the year for the curriculum not used. This year the credit was \$29,264.49 for Spanish, Health, Successmaker, Envision for Secondary and My Perspective.

This innovation is supporting families and our students by tailoring the learning experience.

Wasatch was prepared for the school dismissal from COVID 19, it is because of our technology, digital coaches, and teachers.

Approve SAVVAS invoice for 2020-2021 purchases and "true up" credit

Motion by Mark Davis, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

G. Board Report

Discussion, Information: 1. Information/Updates

H. Superintendent Report

Discussion, Information: 1. Information/Updates

UHSAA has outlined a Return-To-Play Protocol. Region meetings share information each week.

Baseball has continued during this time and we have follow all protocols. We have been running limited lifting in football, cheer, drill. There have been limited issues, but it hasn't effected our students or athletes. Everything in the document we have been doing this summer. We need to focus on some things with spectators.

Sanitizing, Masks, symptom checking, utilizing school

Digital Ticketing

Emphasized to students and fans that if we want to do these things then it will help keep the virus away. If we want to stay in business we need to wear our masks.

7 on 7 tournament had no issues. The health department helped guide us on this and we were safe.

UHSAA sanctioned sports, other activities and clubs will also follow these guidelines. There is a huge component to social emotional learning that parallels the school experience. We want our kids to participate at the HS.

I. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 1. Adjourn Meeting
(not specified)

Motion by Tyler Bluth, second by Cory Holmes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Blaik Baird, Cory Holmes, Mark Davis, Tom Hansen, Tyler Bluth

J. Executive Session