

August 15, 2019 - Wasatch County School District Board of Education Meeting (Thursday, August 15, 2019)

Members present

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

A. Study Session

Information: 1. Wasatch Taxpayer Association
Presentation by Mary Duggin

We started this process March 26th. Your requirement of 7 days notice, then there were extensions. So here we are today to tell you who we are. I used to have to defend our association.

We are here today to offer our assistance in increasing public input, communication and transparency. We look forward to working together to create a community vision for all citizens.

We are not a political group. We provide services to voters in Heber City. We strive to inform people. I am proud of what we do.

Review WCSD Board ByLaws.

1. Citizen groups represented.
2. Recommendations should be based on research and facts.
3. Recommendations should be submitted to school boards which alone have the authority to act up on them.

Other districts are soliciting their community opinion for planning processes. I hope you are too.

There are other community advisory boards that we partner with.

Budget Facts - 2020 Budget more than \$92 million

7% some form of tax

56% property tax is total revenue

Overspending budgets, get approval from the community and consult us so we know what is going on

We are a generous school district. No one can do what we are doing at Wasatch. Teacher compensation up over 17% ,6% just this year. Full benefits at the district expense.

WCSD the largest employer and largest budget in the county.

The 23% tax increase is causing real pain. People do not come forward to tell you this. My taxes have climbed to over \$8,000 this year. I am retired and we will pay the taxes but with sacrifices. There are others just like me. I want to inform you about the community concerns from our website and phone calls.

Tax and Fee Increases for 2019 - All over the county. Water increases every year, parks and recreation increases and heber light and power - people are getting hammered. It's a tsunami for tax payers.

\$150 MIL bond concern. I don't want to talk about that tonight. Needless to say I am disappointed that there was no discussion with the public about this. We have concerns that no one was allowed input.

Future Goals - we would like you to revise your policy. 7 days prior to be on a meeting agenda is difficult. We would like a public meeting option at all of the beginnings of your meetings to allow public to comment. We respectfully request that you allow a WTPA member to be on an advisory committee for the school board.

Minutes should include board votes. The code requires voices. Agendas should explain each item clearly.

School board members and Superintendent should be available for public interviews. Will you commit? Not at this time. Ok.

Our school district with its clout, should lobby the state on property tax for developers to pay for schools.

Information: 2. Zero Tolerance Vaping Update

We have had an ongoing problem with our school age children and vaping. We have had a parent group help us to see thier perspective. We have committed to parents to partner with them to do everything we can to send the right message and discourage kids to vaping. We know it is addicting, so we have spent a lot of time this summer working with our secondary administration. We have invited them to share with you the plans to do what they can to help with the issue. We are a school district and consider ourselves the number one advocate for kids. We want to send a strong message.

Principals Todd Johnson, Adam Hagan, Dave Mcnaughton, Justin Kelly
Zero Tolerance Vape Plan Presented-

Adam presents the collective plan to include;

- Bathroom Vape Detectors in all bathrooms and locker rooms in secondary schools (senses the chemical change in the air)
- School Banners and Posters

Teacher Education to include;

- Health Dept Presentation to Faculty
- DARE Vape Ed Lessons

Parent Education to include;

- Back to school night
- Issues - Vaping Info Session
- Access to DARE Vaping Lessons
- Family Education Center

Student Education:

- Health Class - Vape Edu
- Advisory - DARE Vaping Enhancement Lessons
- Wasatch Student Wellness - Social Media Campaign
- Tutorial - Addiction Lessons
- Family Ed Center

Punitive Discipline: Safe Schools Policy 2-10 days suspension

- 1st Offense- Min 3 day suspension
- 2nd Offense - Min 5 day suspension
- 3rd Offens - Min 10 days suspension

Restorative Discipline:

- Cessation class
- Tutorial
- Peer Court
- Why Tru
- Prime for Life (Family Ed Center)

The change this year is a tougher stance on vaping with parking lot officers, teachers, parent awareness, student awareness. The policy changes will reflect what was discussed tonight.

It is nice that we can all be on the same page and consistent with the issue as an organization. The assistant principals were also able to assist with this plan and the new processes that can help deter the issue. I think we will see some really good results and we have a plan to attack it from many angles.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING - (Followed Truth in Taxation Hearing)

B. Call To Order

Procedural: 1. Roll Call of Members

Procedural: 2. Pledge of Allegiance by Board Member Holmes

Board Member Attendees

- Cory Holmes
- Tyler Bluth
- Blaik Baird
- Mark Davis
- Tom Hansen

Superintend Paul Sweat

Business Admin Keith Johansen

Thank you from President Baird for the discussion and the comments that were said during the hearing. I felt they were appropriate and that we did the right thing by passing this truth in taxation. Thank you again.

C. Information

Information: 1. School Parking Fees - James Judd

Adam Hagan asked speak on the item. It is not regarding parking fees just growth issues.

We are proposing limiting parking for sophomores. They will be limited to 150 spots in the North Parking lot. We currently

have 655 parking spots. Last year we issued passes to junior and seniors. 850 parking permits available. This year we are outgrowing the ability for sophomores to park on campus. Sophomores will be able to park in the north parking lot near the football stadium. There are 150 spots there. Last year we issued 23 sophomores parking passes. You may get complaints, so we wanted to bring this item to the board. The parking officer will also roam the north parking lot for vaping concerns.

BM Baird - Thank you for being proactive.

Discussion, Information: 2. Notice of Boundary Change - Eric Campbell

This is an information item regarding the boundary change for 1200 South, which has been brought before you in a previous meeting. The new code says that we are required to hold two board meetings and allow for public comments and one public hearing. We intend to have the open hearing in October. In the original proposal there were no elementary students in the area. One of those homes has since sold, and we have worked with the family to offer a courtesy bus to take them to Daniels Canyon Elementary, while we are considering the proposed change. The area that is currently in Old Mill Elementary Boundary, we will move them to Daniels Canyon. The developer who is selling those homes has been made aware of the change, and we are working on a flyer to provide to them as well. (No public in attendance to comment).

D. 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 - 6.20.19 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. 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: Approve travel requests as presented on individual employee travel authorization request forms.

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): 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

E. Action Items

Action: 1. Vape Detectors for WHS, RMMS and TMS - Shawn Kelly

Purchase of 41 vape detector devices for the secondary schools. Stone Security has the state contract. We also received a quantity discount.

This is an action item to approve the purchase of Vape Detectors for \$38,485 for WHS, RMMS and TMS from Stone Security.

We will be an example schools, and we are going to have other schools visit to see what we have done. The detectors will also detect the noise and alert administration - another safety feature.

Motion to approve by Tom Hansen, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 2. District Code of Conduct/Appropriate Behavior Policy - Shawn Kelly

This policy needs to go out for review. In accordance with state legislature this policy is drafted from the sample policy from the state. This law is a result of Risk Management. Every employee must be trained and sign the agreement. The form is then stored at every school. We have already started the training. It is a brand-new policy.

Recommendation to post the District Code of Conduct/Appropriate Behavior Policy for public review and comment until the next board meeting.

Motion to approve by Mark Davis, second by Cory Holmes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 3. Code of Conduct Policy - Jason Watt

These revisions will clarify the current policy, on nicotine or other drugs ingested through a vaping device, this language will make the consequences more clear.

Recommendation to approve the LEA Code of Conduct/Appropriate Behavior Policy as is.

Motion to approve by Tom Hansen, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 4. Safe School Policy Revisions - Jason Watt

Changes effecting the Safe Schools policy in Tier I and Tier II - drug sections of policy. We updated code numbers associated as well. These changes do the same thing to clarify the vaping consequence.

Recommendation to approve the Safe School Policy as presented.

Motion to approve by Cory Holmes, second by Tom Hansen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 5. TV Broadcasting Lab for WHS- Jason Watt

Replace and update the computers in the broadcasting lab. This is for 30 new students and computers that run the control of the lab.

Recommendation to approve the Apple Inc. bid for the Wasatch High School TV Broadcasting lab in the amount of \$101,247.00 to be paid over 4 years with no interest. Built into the CT budget.

This is great that we are giving our teachers and students this technology to set them up for the future. I also like that there is no interest.

Request for lease document from Business Administrator.

Motion to approve by Tyler Bluth, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 6. Legacy Woodworking Machinery for WHS- Jason Watt

Replace and update two existing pieces for the CNC machine in the workshop at the high school. We will also receive \$12,000 credit for a machine we are trading in. These will come from CT funds.

Recommendation to approve the purchase from Legacy Woodworking Machinery for Wasatch High School in the amount of \$19,595.

Motion to approve by Mark Davis, second by Tom Hansen.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 7. Lacross Equipment Contract for WHS- Jason Watt

For lacross equipment for both boys and girls. When you start a program there is required equipment, nets, goals, uniforms. These bids are on state contract.

Recommendation to approve the state contract bid for boys lacrosse equipment for the amount of \$16,476 and \$6,456 for girls lacrosse.

We believe we have enough participants to have 3 boys teams and 2 girls teams.

Motion to approve by Tom Hansen, second by Cory Holmes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 8. Edmentum Contract Renewal for WHS - James Judd

Used for years being paid out of TSSP funds. This is a renewal and ongoing at this time. The high school uses this service. Primarily used for interventions for math. WHS Budget.

Recommendation to renew the Edmentum curriculum in the amount of \$16,350.

Motion to approve by Cory Holmes, second by Tyler Bluth.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 9. School Messenger Contract Renewal - Kirsta Albert

This contract is for school messenger and a contract renewal. There is a 5% increase over last years cost to include some options we did not have. Single factor opt-out. We are also initiating TIM for teacher rosters, creating complete transparency that can be tracked.

Recommendation to approve the contract renewal for SchoolMessenger Complete for the amount of \$12,885.60 to West Interactive Services Corporation for one year.

Motion to approve by Tom Hansen, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Information: 10. K-3 Literacy Goal - Eric Campbell

This item is to request approval again for the K-3 Literacy plan. We sent it to the state, they asked that we make some modifications to our 2nd goal. The 2nd goal is specific to 3rd grade to reduced percentage of well below to 36% from the beginning of year to the end of year.

Recommendation to approve the K-3 Literacy Goal as presented.

Motion to approve by Tom Hansen, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

F. Superintendent Report

Information: 1. Information or Updates

-No Report

G. Board Report

Discussion, Information: 1. Information or Updates

-No Report

H. Adjournment

Procedural: 1. Adjourn Meeting

I. Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn to executive session.

Motion by Tom Hansen, second by Mark Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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