# **DECEMBER 2012 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The regular board meeting of the Piute Board of Education was held on December 13, 2012 at the District Office in Junction, Utah. President Elva Nielson called the meeting to order at 4:02 P.M. Present were Roger Westwood, Erin Jensen, Rick Dalton and Derrin Jensen. Elva Nielson was unable to attend. Also present were Superintendent Don Yates and Business Administrator Jeff Barben. Guests at the meeting were Darin Bushman, Keri Bushman, Joyce Sudweeks, Marty Morgan, Kendall Torgerson, Kennedy Sylvester, Amanda Wood, Marty Gleave, Mike Gaylor, and Glen Allen.

3:00 p.m. The Piute County Board of Education held a work meeting with Glen Allen.

# I. Opening Remarks

Opening remarks were by Erin Jensen Vice President Rickey Dalton welcomed everyone to Board Meeting.

# II. Citizen Dialog: none III. Discussion Items:

# A. Competitive Cheer

Vice President Dalton gave time to Kennedy Sylvester to introduce competitive cheerleading to the board members. We have never had competitive cheerleading at Piute High School, but the cheerleaders are requesting to be allowed to start competing. The only schools in our region that sre doing competitive cheer at this time are Panguitch and Bryce Valley. Kennedy Sylvester gave time to Amanda Wood. Amanda requested the board to approve the cheerleading squad to compete in the region and state finals this year as a club sport. They will only compete in one category at a cost of \$250 for region and \$250 for state if they make it. Amanda has coached competitive cheer in the past in other places and is familiar with the rules and safety protocols. Roger Westwood asked how badly Brin Fullmer was hurt last week. Amanda explained that she wasn't hurt too badly, but she could have been hurt much worse. Superintendent Erickson asked if Amanda had practice mats. Amanda stated that the cheerleaders have already purchased practice mats. Kennedy Sylvester asked when region is going to be held. Amanda replied that region is scheduled for February 15. Roger Westwood asked how many students would be involved. Amanda stated that 12 to 15 girls and 3 boys would be involved and all of their parents are supportive. Vice President Dalton thanked Amanda Wood for her request.

# **B. Special Education Power Wheelchair**

Vice President Dalton gave time to Kendall Torgerson. Kendall Torgerson explained to the board members that there is a student at Piute High School who needs a power wheelchair and she would like to have the same type that she uses at home because of the familiarity. We can purchase a new one for around \$1,500 or a used one for \$600. Superintendent Erickson agreed with Kendall that the need was appropriate. Derrin Jensen asked the board members to consider purchasing a new wheelchair because she will need to use it for several years. Superintendent Erickson stated his appreciation for Kendall Torgerson and complimented him on his job performance. Vice President Dalton thanked Kendall for his presentation.

### C. Mock Shooter Drill

Superintendent Erickson explained to the board members that Piute County Sheriff Marty Gleave is planning a mock shooter drill at Piute High School. Marty stated that he feels that students and teachers need to be aggressive in those situations and try to disarm and fight against the shooters. Vice President Dalton thanked Marty for the information.

# D. Review and Update of Tobacco Policy

Superintendent Erickson explained to the board members that Sarah Bagley was not able not attend the board meeting due to weather. Superintendent Erickson addressed the Alcohol and Tobacco Policy with the board members and referred them to current state law regarding alcohol and tobacco use on school property. Superintendent Erickson has reviewed the policy with the administrative staff and asked them to review the policy with their staff members.

# E. Recognition to Shauna Bagley-UACTE Teacher of the Year

Superintendent Erickson explained to the board members that Shauna Bagley was not able to attend the board meeting this month, so he invited her to attend the board meeting in January.

# F. Glen Allen Transportation

Vice President Dalton gave time to Glen Allen. Glen requested that the board place the transportation issue with his children on the action items in the agenda so the board can bring the issue to a vote in the next meeting.

## G. Recognition of Service Outgoing Board Members

Superintendent Erickson recognized Roger Westwood for having served on the Board of Education for 26 years and thanked him for his service. Superintendent Erickson then presented Roger with a watch and plaque recognizing his service to the students and patrons in the Piute County School District. Roger expressed his appreciation to the board members who he has served with and thanked them for their service. Superintendent Erickson excused Board President Elva Nielson from the meeting due to her son being in the hospital and stated that she would be recognized for her years of service at a later date.

#### **H. USBA Conference Information**

Superintendent Erickson shared information with the board members regarding the USBA Conference on January 10-12, 2013. Board members were given an agenda for the conference. Roger Westwood stated that generally the board members try to attend different breakout sessions so they can cover the material presented and share the information learned. Erin Jensen stated that the USBA Conference usually offers training on open meetings law. Superintendent Erickson stated that he is trying to balance attendance at all of the meetings with the work load in the district during his first year and proposed having board training meetings prior to board meetings.

#### I. Electronic Devices Concerns

Darin Bushman asked the board to be recognized. He stated that he had emailed Superintendent Erickson and asked to be placed on the agenda, but had not received a response. Vice President Dalton gave time to Darin Bushman. Darin explained that the introduction of electronic devices at the high school has created issues at his home and in his family. These devices have the

ability to access any wireless network and some of the students and he has been told that some of the students are accessing pornography with these devices outside of school. Superintendent Erickson stated that the school district and CUES are aware of the issues and are trying to stay ahead of the issue. Darin also expressed concern that students are able to cyberbully during school anonymously. Superintendent Erickson stated that he and Principal Sylvester have had discussions about this concern. Darin Bushman is also concerned that the Facetime application on the Ipads allows studnets to have cameras in their bedrooms that can transmit pictures to cell phones and the internet. Darin has researched the issue and the problems exist nationwide. Some districts are moving to virtual private networks in order to limit their liability because filtering will remain in place in student's homes. Darin requested that the board look at putting the Ipads on VPNs. Superintendent Erickson stated that VPNs are expensive and asked if Darin had spoken with Phil Singleton. Darin stated that he had not. Superintendent Erickson encouraged Darin to email him and he would arrange a meeting.

## IV. Executive Session

5:55 p.m. Motion was made by Derrin Jensen to enter into executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Roger Westwood. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

6:50 p.m. Motion was made by Roger Westwood to return from executive session. Seconded by Derrin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

## V. Action Items:

# A. Approval of November Board Minutes and Vouchers

Motion was made by Roger Westwood to approve the minutes of the November Board Meeting, and to approve vouchers #376-524. Seconded by Derrin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

# B. Special Ed Power Wheelchair

Motion was made by Derrin Jensen to approve the purchase of a new power wheelchair for special education. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All Voted Aye. Motion carried.

# C. Adoption of Updated Tobacco Policy

Motion was made by Erin Jensen to adopt the updated Tobacco Policy as written. Seconded by Roger Westwood. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

# **D.** Approval of Assistant Coaches

Motion was made by Erin Jensen to approve the hiring of Amanda Wood as Assistant Cheer Advisor, Matt Davis as Assistant Wrestling Coach and Tyrel Clove as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach. Seconded by Roger Westwood. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

# E. Competitive Cheer

Motion was made by Derrin Jensen to accept the proposal by Amanda Wood to allow students to be involved in Competitive Cheer and pay bus costs and \$250 for Region Competition and \$250 for State Competition if they qualify. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

#### VI. Information Items:

A. Review of legislators goals for upcoming legislative session

Motion was made by Derrin Jensen to adjourn the November meeting of the Piute School District Board of Education. Seconded by Erin Jensen. All voted Aye. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Meeting Adjourned 6:20 P.M.