# TINTIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – MARCH 2024 MEETING

Date: March 18, 2024

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Tintic School District Offices

Eureka, UT

The meeting of the Tintic Board of Education was called to order by President Young at 3:30 p.m. President Young instructed the Business Administrator to call the roll which indicated the following Board members were in attendance:

# Members Present:

Heather Young President
Jeana Rowley Vice President

Ryan Despain Member

Greg Thornock Superintendent

Jeremy Snell Business Administrator

Members Excused: Jessica Nielsen Member

Jordan Grimstead Member

## **Work Session**

Prior to the Board of Education meeting, the Members of the Board met in a Board Work Session from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., in which the following items were reviewed and discussed:

## **Reports**

Mr. Brian Underwood, Maintenance Director, reported he has been acquiring bids for summer projects. Mr. Underwood stated that he is working to bring buildings up to code for CO detection. Mr. Underwood reported that the power will need to be updated in the kitchen at West Desert High School and has been working to fix the heating at the West Desert Elementary School. Mr. Underwood reported the construction on the greenhouse at Tintic High School has begun, knox boxes have been installed on all buildings, and room number labeling is almost complete. Superintendent Thornock asked for an update on the electric bus order. Mr. Underwood stated he has been in contact with the company as well as the EPA who both explained there have been delays in building the buses, but that they should be starting them in late April. Mr. Underwood explained that the charging stations should have been installed by now and the company representative is looking into their status. Mr. Underwood reported the walk in freezer has been installed and is currently being hooked up to power and being filled with Freon.

# **Consent Agenda Review**

Minutes: February 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes Warrants: February #00009823 to #00009870

There were no questions regarding the minutes.

Mr. Jeremy Snell, Business Administrator, discussed various warrants from the February check register. There were no questions regarding the warrants.

## **Board Development**

Board members discussed their reading assignment in the book Trust and Inspire.

Member Grimstead arrived at 2:43 p.m.

Member Despain reported that there was no Safety Committee Meeting held due to bad weather, but that at the next meeting they will inspect the knox boxes and room numbers. Member Despain reported attending the Utah School Boards Association Spring Regional Meeting in Nephi where he enjoyed a review of the bills passed during the legislative session.

Member Rowley reported attending the Utah School Boards Association Spring Regional Meeting in Nephi and asked for clarification of a discussion regarding school fees potentially not being required in upcoming school years. Superintendent Thornock explained that if this change takes place it will only effect classroom related school fees. Member Rowley asked regarding the Utah State Board of Education's proposal to change kindergarten from a full day schedule to a half day. Superintendent Thornock explained that the requirement to change to a half day is that eighteen or more kindergarten students have to request it and that full day kindergarten has shown to be more beneficial to the student's education.

Member Grimstead had no report.

President Young reported attending Juab Local Interagency Council meetings and explained that they discuss the different resources the different agencies have available for students in the districts in Juab County.

## **Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Thornock reported that the legislative session is complete and that a record number of bills were passed. Superintendent Thornock stated that the Safety Committee could not meet to inspect knox boxes due to inclement weather, but that there has been some safety drills conducted with a new app that will be used to alert emergency services. Superintendent Thornock stated that the committee is working to create a map to show the new rooms numbers being put in place.

Superintendent Thornock explained that the school nurse, Mrs. Ruth Nilson, is replacing the AED machines in each building and is updating and placing the older ones on school buses. Superintendent Thornock reported that Mrs. Nilson is also creating bleed kits for each room in all schools provided for by legislative funding.

Superintendent Thornock reported that the new security camera system, Verkada, is currently in the process of being installed and that magnetic doors that require key card entry will be installed on the district building.

Superintendent Thornock stated he and Mr. Jeremy Snell, Business Administrator, traveled to the West Desert schools and measured for ballistic windows and doors and that he is now waiting for

a quote for cost of installation. Superintendent Thornock explained he is working on finalizing a list of summer capital projects and also met with architects, Mr. Snell, and Mr. Underwood at the West Desert schools to design and plan the new playground provided for by a grant. Superintendent Thornock stated that the design came back very underwhelming and has been sent back for redesigning and a more detailed quote. President Young asked regarding the time limit on the grant money. Superintendent Thornock stated the time limit is three years.

Mr. Underwood reported that the electrical wiring and service has been removed from the old school building at the West Desert campus and has reported to the fire department that it is ready for demolition.

# **Regular Meeting**

# Call to Order and Recognition of Guests

President Young called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

# 1. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Rowley led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 2. Reports

Mr. Seth Edwards, Band Director, presented sound clips of junior high students performing at an Honor Band competition and explained that it was a great way to become better acquainted with the students and boost their skills and confidence. Mr. Edwards is hoping to be able to take high school students to an Honor Band competition next school year.

Mrs. Karen Kramer, Elementary Schools Principal, provided a presentation on the Eureka Elementary School Book Club Party and explained the process of putting the event together. Mrs. Kramer thanked all those involved for their efforts. Mrs. Kramer reported that this event fills one of the Title 1 requirements for parent engagement.

#### 3. Board Communications

Member Grimstead reported not being able to attend the Honor Band performance but that it is important for board members to attend in the future. Member Grimstead stated he participated in the Book Club party as a book character and that the authors that came stated this activity is a gem and an important tradition. Member Grimstead asked for a calendar of events for the rest of the year from Mrs. Beckstrom so the board could plan to attend.

Member Rowley stated her appreciation for the theme of kindness at the Book Club party.

Member Despain made no report.

President Young reported attending the State FFA Convention where many Tintic students were recognized with awards. President Young stated she is impressed with the number of students participating in the FFA program, not only from our district, but around the state.

#### 4. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

## 5. Unfinished Business

Member Despain asked regarding the progress of the Board Book. President Young stated that her and Vice President Rowley are working on it. Member Despain stated his appreciation for the USBA and their continued advocacy for rural schools. Member Despain stated that an email was sent by Member Nielsen with information regarding the Superintendent Evaluation that will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Member Grimstead reminded stated that during the Utah School Boards Association Regional Meeting they were encouraged to expand goals and continue attending the legislative sessions. Member Grimstead asked board members to continue to build relationships with legislators and invite them to school events to help promote rural schools.

## **School Fees**

Member Grimstead stated his appreciation for the format of the school fees. There was no further discussion.

## 6. Action Items

## **Consent Agenda**

Member Rowley offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Member Grimstead seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting unanimously.

## 2023-2024 Tintic High School Trustland Plan Carry-over Amendment

Member Grimstead offered a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Tintic High School Trustland Plan Carry-over Amendment and the amount advanced from FY 2024 funds to cover a negative carryover from FY 2023 as presented. Member Despain seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting unanimously.

## 2024-2025 School Fees and Spend Plans

Member Despain offered a motion to approve the 2024-2025 School Fees and Spend plans as presented. Member Rowley seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting unanimously.

#### 7. Executive Session

Motion to adjourn to Closed Executive Session to review and discuss the character and professional competence of individuals, as provided for in Utah Code § 52-4-205(1)(a) was offered by Member Despain, seconded by Member Rowley with the voting as follows:

Member Rowley Aye Member Grimstead Aye Member Despain Aye

Motion to return the meeting to a Regular Session was offered by Member Despain, seconded by Member Rowley, with the voting as follows:

Member Rowley Aye Member Grimstead Aye Member Despain Aye Time of the Closed Executive Session was from 4:10 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.

I, Heather Young, certify that I am the member of the Board of Education for the Tintic School District who presided at the closed meeting of the Board of Education held on March 18, 2024. I hereby affirm, pursuant to Utah Code §52-4-206(6), that the sole purpose of holding this closed meeting was to discuss the character and professional competence of individuals, or physical or mental health of an individual.

Attest:

Heather Young
Board President

# 8. Adjournment

Member Grimstead offered a motion to adjourn. Member Rowley seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members present voting unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Tintic School District Board of Education will be held on April 18, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. at the Tintic School District Office, 545 E. Main Street, Eureka, Utah 84628.

Minutes submitted by:

Jeremy Snell
Business Administrator