

TINTIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – MAY 2021 MEETING

Date: May 17, 2021
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Tintic School District Offices
Eureka, Utah

The meeting of the Tintic Board of Education was called to order by President Boswell at 6:00 p.m. President Boswell instructed the Business Administrator to call the roll which indicated the following Board members were in attendance:

<u>Members Present:</u>	Janice Boswell	President
	Jordan Grimstead	Member
	Heather Young	Member
	Jean Rowley	Member
	Ryan Despain	Member
	Greg Thornock	Superintendent
	Jeremy Snell	Business Administrator

Work Session

Consent Agenda Review

There were no questions regarding the minutes or the personnel report.

Mr. Jeremy Snell, Business Administrator, discussed various warrants from the April check register. Member Young asked regarding several vendors she did not recognize. Mr. Snell explained the vendors and what the expenses were for. Member Despain asked regarding the three different fuel companies being used. Member Snell explained that two of the companies supplied propane, one company to the Eureka buildings and the other company to the West Desert buildings, and then the third company supplies fuel to the district vehicles. There were no further questions.

Communications from Board Members

Member Grimstead reported attending the May the 4th activities at the West Desert Schools as well as looking at projects to make these schools safer. Member Grimstead reported attending a coaches banquet where all of the coaches discussed ways to enhance the sport culture and integrate the 7 Mindsets program.

Member Despain also reported attending the May the 4th activities at the West Desert and stated he was impressed with the facilities and staff. Member Despain reported attending the coaches banquet and that he and Member Grimstead were tasked with creating a new mission statement for Tintic athletics. Member Despain reported that the coaches discussed ways to instill some core

values and having a winning mindset academically as well as in sports. Member Despain stated that Ms. Swalberg, Athletic Director, did a great job with the banquet and training content. Member Rowley asked what the core values discussed were. Member Grimstead stated that some of the core values discussed were accountability, aggressiveness, relentlessness, fearlessness, and studiousness.

Member Young asked if a meeting with administrators to discuss and obtain more information regarding the Trustland Plans had taken place. Superintendent Thornock stated that it had and that he would provide more information during the Superintendent Report. Member Young asked if the extra custodians and the school nurse that were hired to help with Covid-19 regulations were coming back for the upcoming school year. Superintendent Thornock stated that the custodial positions were contracted only for the current school year and that the grant used for the school nurse will be received again and used to continue employment for the next year. Member Young stated that in September, the board discussed creating a board member handbook and that she worked with Member Rowley in researching other districts and their handbooks to create one for Tintic board members. Member Grimstead stated he liked what has been included in the handbook thus far and that the contents are informational only and not binding in any way. Board members agreed to discuss the handbook more in depth at the July training meeting. Member Young asked if all of the board members received the different award assemblies' information and gave out the dates and times. Member Young announced she will be stepping down from the position of Vice President and stated she would remain until the June meeting.

Member Rowley stated there will be a talent show at the Tintic High School on May 20th at 7:00 p.m. and asked if attendance is no longer limited. President Boswell asked that since the mask mandate is lifted, if all activities are no longer limited. Superintendent Thornock stated that all neighboring districts have lifted the mask mandate and that graduation might need replanning as well as T night, now that students do not need to be tested for Covid-19 to participate in activities.

Superintendent Thornock stated there is a board training coming up on June 30, 2021 that is currently a Zoom meeting, but could be changed to in person. Superintendent Thornock stated he would relay new information as it is received.

Reading Assignment Discussion

Board members forwarded the reading assignment discussion to the next meeting.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order and Recognition of Guests

President Boswell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Reports

Mrs. Amy Sorensen, Eureka Elementary School Teacher, thanked the board for their support with the Book Club Party and presented a slide show of pictures of the students with the author and

their projects. President Boswell thanked Mrs. Sorensen for her presentation and hard work in this activity.

Mr. Brian Underwood, Maintenance Director, reported the boilers in all buildings have been turned off and that he has had some issues with the sprinkling system but will have the lawns fertilized and water on soon. Mr. Underwood stated he has been contacting companies necessary to complete summer projects and has plans to replace windows and a roof at the West Desert. Mr. Underwood reported that the electrical system in the Tintic High School must be upgraded to support the new air conditioners and has had two companies inspect the electrical system. Mr. Underwood stated that both companies recommended the District have an engineer advise on the electrical upgrades. Mr. Underwood stated that Bill Alder will be cleaning up and maintaining the Callao school grounds. President Boswell asked if Mr. Underwood had information regarding the natural gas installation in Eureka and how it might affect the buildings. Mr. Underwood stated that Excel Heating and Air inspected the buildings and advised there will be some work needed to switch to natural gas, but mostly just changing orifices. Member Grimstead asked for an update regarding the new bus garage. Mr. Snell stated the contractor came to the District Office and explained that the price of metal has increased since he bid the job, but that he has the frame ready and could install it in two weeks. Mr. Snell stated that it was explained to the contractor that the bid was accepted and approved a year ago and that the natural gas cannot be installed until the building is in place. Mr. Snell stated the contractor understood these concerns. Mr. Snell stated that the board has the right to put the bus garage project out to bid again. Mr. Snell stated a new bus had been ordered and will not be delivered until fall, so the budget would need to be adjusted for the purchase to come out of the next fiscal year's funds. Superintendent Thornock stated he meets with Mr. Underwood weekly to discuss and finish projects. Superintendent thanked Mr. Underwood for all of his efforts on behalf of the school district.

3. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

4. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Thornock stated he has been working on District salary negotiations with representatives of classified and certified staff and that the negotiations are almost complete. Superintendent Thornock stated he has another meeting with the Teachers Education Association, or teacher's union, to finalize numbers.

Superintendent Thornock discussed travel plans with board members to attend the West Desert High School graduation on May 27, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. as well as attendance at the Tintic High School graduation on May 28, 2021 where they will meet at 6:30 to practice the procedure to hand out the diplomas.

Superintendent Thornock distributed copies of Board Policy CEB – School Safety Plan, District Emergency Response Plan and discussed current efforts regarding emergency plans and working with Officer Pulver as well as Officer Underwood, the SRO, and that he would like to include representatives from the local EMS and Fire Department. Member Despain stated he serves on both EMS and the Fire Department and could be that representative. Superintendent Thornock stated he would like to have a committee to review contents of emergency plans, create

reunification with parent plans, and to perform the drills. Superintendent Thornock stated that SRO Underwood is studying plans from other districts to implement best practices. Member Grimstead stated that a parent should also serve on the committee to provide a parent perspective to emergency situations and plans. Superintendent Thornock stated he would like to have the building administrators, Member Despain, the SRO and a parent on the committee. Board Members discussed having all of the committees on the district website and in the board handbook.

Superintendent Thornock distributed information regarding teacher aide salary being paid through Trustland funds. Member Rowley asked for an electronic copy.

Board members asked for an electronic library of documents that are in the board books.

Board members discussed a board training retreat to discuss the mission statement, goals, handbook, and policies to be scheduled for July 15-16, 2021.

There were no questions regarding the Enrollment Report.

5. Action Items

Consent Agenda

Minutes: April 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Warrants: April #00007613 to #00007695

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

2021 Board Meeting Calendar Amendment

Superintendent Thornock explained that the August Board Meeting date would need to be changed to August 23, 2021 to accommodate Opening Institute and that the June date was incorrect and should be on June 21, 2021. No meeting in July would remain the same.

Member Grimstead offered a motion to approve the 2021 Board Meeting Calendar Amendment as presented. Member Young seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting unanimously.

Approval of Facilities Use Permit for ELKS Activity

No approval or action was needed as the Facilities Use Permit was not received by the District.

Tintic School District At Risk Definition

Member Rowley offered a motion to approve the Tintic School District At Risk Definition as presented. Member Young seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting unanimously.

6. 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 Grimstead, seconded by Member Young, with the voting as follows:

Member Rowley Aye
Member Boswell Aye
Member Young Aye
Member Grimstead Aye
Member Despain Aye

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

Member Rowley Aye
Member Boswell Aye
Member Young Aye
Member Grimstead Aye
Member Despain Aye

7. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Tintic School District Board of Education will be held on June 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tintic School District Office, 545 E. Main Street, Eureka, Utah 84628.

Minutes submitted by:

Jeremy Snell
Business Administrator