

# TINTIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – NOVEMBER 2022 MEETING

Date: November 21, 2022  
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 Boswell at 3:30 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
	Heather Young	Member
	Jeana Rowley	Member
	Ryan Despain	Member
	Greg Thornock	Superintendent
	Jeremy Snell	Business Administrator

<u>Members Excused:</u>	Jordan Grimstead	Member
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## 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:

## **Consent Agenda Review**

Minutes: October 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
Warrants: October #00008742 to #00008809

There were no questions regarding the minutes.

Mr. Jeremy Snell, Business Administrator, discussed various warrants from the October check register. Member Despain asked regarding payment to Apple Computers. Mr. Snell stated this purchase was part of a computer grant. There were no further questions regarding the warrants.

## **Communications from Board Members**

Member Despain reported attending the Veteran's Program at West Desert High School, along with Member Grimstead and Superintendent Thornock, stating the students and staff did a great job on their program and the meal. Member Despain reported attending the Tintic High School play and that it was good to see new talent in the Drama club. Member Despain stated he visited the Tintic High School Engineering class where he observed the teacher and students building props for the school play and making preparations for a candle making fundraiser. Member

Despain stated his appreciation for the monthly newsletter at Tintic High School and asked who was responsible for creating it. Mrs. Beckstrom, High Schools Principal, stated it is the Yearbook Staff class who creates and distributes the newsletter.

President Boswell read a thank you note expressing appreciation for the sports teams who cleaned at the cemetery. President Boswell stated she enjoyed the Tintic High School play and thanked Mrs. Nedreberg for her ability to bring out the talents in the students. President Boswell stated she likes the high school's newsletter.

Member Rowley stated she attended a Halloween carnival at the West Desert schools and that she had not realized how large the community is there. Member Rowley stated the RAD Kids graduation was held on the same day as the Veteran's Program at Eureka Elementary and that she heard good things regarding the Veteran's program.

### **School Trustlands**

Member Rowley stated she missed the last Trustlands meeting and asked for a reminder when the next meetings are. Member Despain thanked Mrs. Jennica Beckstrom, High Schools Principal, for the Trustland Meeting Calendar. Member Young stated she attended the Trustland meeting for West Desert and Eureka Elementary schools and reported the information was presented in a very understandable way and thanked the administrators for their efforts. Member Young stated she appreciates that when there is an amendment that it includes the original goal.

### **Professional Development**

Member Despain reported the board finished reading their professional development book and decided to start in January and study together either the handbook or a book titled *The Art of School Boarding*.

Member Young and Superintendent Thornock stated they will be attending the New Member Orientation at USBA with the new board member.

Member Young stated she finished the Master Boards training and started over again with the first section. Member Young asked to become familiar with the District's media outlets. Superintendent Thornock stated he takes care of all media communications, making sure to consult with the attorney before releasing statements.

Member Young stated the Master Board's Review is due before the December Board Meeting and wanted a commitment from Board members it would be done before the end of the year so she could mark it off. Board Members stated they would complete it.

Member Young stated the Business Administrator evaluation would also happen in the December Board Meeting.

Member Grimstead arrived at 2:50 p.m.

## **Portrait of a Graduate**

Member Despain stated he and Member Rowley attended a meeting with a person who has experience creating a Portrait of a Graduate and gained ideas to get community involvement such as polls on social media as well as a paper version sent in the mail. Member Rowley stated they need input from parents and teachers as well. Superintendent Thornock stated they should poll as many groups as possible for more data. Member Rowley stated the Portrait of a Graduate will need to include character training. Member Despain and Member Rowley decided they would meet together to discuss in more depth.

## **Unfinished Business**

Board members discussed the 2023 Annual Board Meeting Calendar and a conflict with the date for the April meeting, as Superintendent Thornock and Mr. Snell will both be attending meetings elsewhere. Mr. Snell also made board members aware the June meeting date may be too late for budget hearing deadlines. It was decided to table the proposed 2023 Annual Board Meeting Calendar, find new April and June dates, and present an updated 2023 Annual Board Meeting Calendar in the December meeting for approval.

## **Regular Meeting**

### **Call to Order and Recognition of Guests**

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

#### **1. Pledge of Allegiance**

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

#### **2. Reports**

Eureka Elementary School Student Council members presented information to the Board regarding activities and events happening in their school. Mrs. Dayna Rush, Student Council Advisor, reported she is impressed with the students on the council and their leadership abilities, as well as thanked the administrators for the opportunity for the elementary to start a student council program.

Mr. Mark Allen, Technology Director, reported on the District receiving a \$200,000 Computer Science Grant and that it will be used on a renovation of the Tintic High School Media Center, providing devices for teachers who will be teaching the computer science classes, and provide keyboarding and coding learning opportunities for all students K-12. Mr. Allen also reported another amount of \$100,000 will be received next year and thanked Superintendent Thornock in his efforts to help procure this grant. Mr. Allen reported he is in the process of changing out the internet filter system from iBoss to Content Keeper which will be safer for students and help keep students using devices as they are intended to be used. Member Despain stated he likes the new filter and that students cannot use VPN's to get around it.

Superintendent Thornock thanked Mr. Allen for his work in obtaining the grant and stated that because of it the college classes offered per hour to high school students will go from three classes to nine.

Member Rowley asked Mr. Allen if the Eureka Elementary Operetta will be streamed. Mr. Allen stated he had not been asked to stream it and prefers not to due to the poor quality of lighting and sound in the auditorium. President Boswell thanked Mr. Allen for his report.

### **3. Citizen Comments**

There were no citizen comments.

### **4. Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Thornock stated he is grateful he was able to attend the West Desert Veteran's Day Program and thanked those involved in putting it on. Superintendent Thornock stated he will attend the West Desert Schools Thanksgiving Tuesday activity on November 22, 2022, along with the school administrators. Superintendent Thornock thanked the Eureka PTO and his office staff in their efforts to make Staff Appreciation Week a success.

Superintendent Thornock reported he attended the Tintic High School play and that the teacher and students did well.

Superintendent Thornock stated that winter sports have begun and local businesses are participating in incentives to get more community members to attend, such as a prize for a half-court shot during a basketball game or a store donating money for each fan who attends.

Superintendent Thornock stated the windows have been installed in a storage room in the District gym so the room can be used as an extension of the Fitness Center. Superintendent Thornock reported he has appointed Mr. Chandler Beckstrom, Maintenance Technician, to oversee the completion of the room. Superintendent Thornock stated the room will not be complete for a few more weeks.

### **5. Action Items**

#### **Consent Agenda**

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

#### **Board Policy Revisions – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Member Grimstead offered a motion to approve the Board Policy Revisions – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading as presented. Member Despain seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting unanimously.

#### **West Desert Elementary Trustland Plan Amendment**

Member Grimstead offered a motion to approve the West Desert Elementary School Trustland Plan Amendment 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 Rowley, seconded by Member Grimstead 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 Despain, seconded by Member Grimstead, with the voting as follows:

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

Time of the Closed Executive Session was from 4:15 p.m. to 4:51 p.m.

I, Janice Boswell, 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 November 21, 2022. 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:



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Janice Boswell  
President

## 7. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Tintic School District Board of Education will be held on December 19, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at the Tintic School District Office, 545 E. Main Street, Eureka, Utah 84628.

Minutes submitted by:

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Jeremy Snell  
Business Administrator