

TINTIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – OCTOBER 2021 MEETING

Date: October 11, 2021
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: West Desert High School, 440 Pony Express Road,
Trout Creek, Utah 84083

The meeting of the Tintic Board of Education was called to order by President Boswell at 10:00 a.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
	Jeana Rowley	Member
	Ryan Despain	Member
	Greg Thornock	Superintendent
	Jeremy Snell	Business Administrator

Regular Meeting

Call to Order and Recognition of Guests

President Boswell called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Citizen Comments

Mrs. Kayla Christensen expressed interest in establishing a school lunch program for the West Desert schools.

Mrs. April Lewis asked regarding implementing a possible bus route for the West Desert students, as there are around ten students now commuting from Callao.

Superintendent Thornock stated that he would research both issues and respond back with his findings. Superintendent Thornock stated there are many variables and state nutritional guidelines as well as supply and storage issues that would need to be addressed concerning the school lunch program.

3. Reports

West Desert Elementary students sang a song and played a drum for the Board members, followed by Mr. Korban Murphy, Student Body Vice President, who presented a slide show of various awards and activities taking place in all of the Tintic School District schools. The West Desert High School Guitar Class performed a song for the Board members.

4. Consent Agenda Review

Board members had no questions regarding the minutes.

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Mr. Jeremy Snell, Business Administrator, discussed various warrants from the September 2021 check register. President Boswell asked what the cost for the garage doors for the new bus garage will be. Mr. Snell stated the quote stated approximately \$11,000 and that they will be on backorder until December. Member Grimstead asked if the building not having doors will inhibit the installation of natural gas to the bus garage. Mr. Snell stated that it would not.

Warrants: September #00007908 to #00008012

5. Board Policy Revisions

Member Rowley explained the process of dividing the list of policies between board members and that they must be reviewed and approved by the December board meeting. Board members reviewed and discussed the policies that were assigned to them.

6. Communications from Board Members

Member Young reported visiting Tintic High School, along with Member Despain, and that they were able to attend a Spanish class and a Theatre class where they observed many props and scenery panels that students were creating. Member Young stated that the FFA chapter is preparing for a competition on October 12, 2021 and that she had the opportunity to take two FFA members to a leadership training conference. Member Young stated she appreciated all the support for the baseball and volleyball teams.

Member Despain reported visiting Tintic High School with Member Young and that the Spanish class were able to obtain new text books that will further their learning of the language and expand the vocabulary. Member Despain stated he was pleased that the theatre students were now able to create their scenery instead of relying on volunteers and parents. Member Despain stated he was proud of the success of the baseball team and very appreciative that the sports teams are now streaming their games.

Member Grimstead stated that he and President Boswell visited Eureka Elementary School and were able to observe the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade classrooms and interact with 4th grade students on literature projects. Member Grimstead stated that the new visitation assignments are Members Rowley and Young attending Tintic High School and Members Grimstead and Despain attending Eureka Elementary School. Member Grimstead congratulated the baseball team on the success of their season. Member Grimstead stated that the USBA Power-up training regarding open meeting law is already completed. Member Grimstead stated that the mission statement has been drafted

for printing on banners and that Mr. Snell has presented the board members three options to choose from. Member Grimstead thanked Mr. Snell for his efforts in designing the banners.

Member Rowley asked if a decision had been made on which banner option would be printed. Mr. Snell stated no decision has been made. Member Rowley stated she would like the mission statement banner to represent all of the schools and if there was a deadline to have the banner completed by. Superintendent Thornock stated it is the board member's decision which banner to have printed and when. Member Rowley stated she has been visiting the West Desert Elementary to present the RAD Kids program and that graduation from the program will be on October 21, 2021. Member Rowley stated she would like the board members to visit the West Desert schools for their Thanksgiving Tuesday activity. Member Rowley asked when the due date for Master Boards training is. Member Young stated Master Boards training needs to be completed by December.

President Boswell stated her visit to Eureka Elementary School was informative and fun. President Boswell asked board members to choose a mission statement banner. Board members all chose the first option.

7. 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 – 1st Reading

Member Rowley offered a motion to approve the Board Policy Revisions – 1st Reading as presented. Member Young seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting unanimously.

8. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Thornock stated he read all of the policy revisions and has selected policies that need presented to the board for further review and action.

Superintendent Thornock stated that there are many rumors regarding students, staff, or community members who may have Covid-19 and asked board members to not divulge or discuss any information to be able to comply with HIPPA and FERPA laws. Superintendent Thornock stated he has sent an email to all staff requesting the same discretion and that violation of his request could end in termination. Member Despain asked that since a school can request a student's vaccination record if that included the Covid-19 vaccination. Superintendent Thornock stated that information regarding a student's Covid-19 vaccination status can only be asked of the students' parents. Member Despain asked if a vaccination clinic for Covid-19 would be available at the schools again. Superintendent Thornock stated he would check into it with the health department and that he would continue to communicate as much as possible regarding Covid-19 protocols.

Superintendent Thornock expressed his and Mrs. Kramer's appreciation to Mrs. Angie Murphy, West Desert Secretary, for implementing the new Infinite Campus student information system and all she has done to educate staff in using it and transferring information from the old system.

Superintendent Thornock reported the new marquee has been installed but there is a new issue of not enough power at the site to run it. Superintendent Thornock stated that Mr. Brian Underwood, Maintenance Director, is working to solve the issue.

Superintendent Thornock reported he completed some school fees training and asked if the work on and approval of school fees could be started a month earlier for the next school year. Board members stated their support of this request.

Superintendent Thornock reported that he is working with an attorney on Title 9 laws and how incidents of sexual harassment are investigated. Superintendent Thornock stated the district does not have a lot of these claims, but that he is working with the attorney and other districts to combine to share roles in investigations to be able to save funds.

Member Grimstead stated that both scoreboards in the district gym are not working. Superintendent Thornock stated that repairs are in the process but does not have an update at this time.

Mr. Ed Alder stated he appreciates the work the board members are doing and how they are handling issues

President Boswell asked Superintendent Thornock for an update on the track project. Superintendent Thornock stated the soil sampling is completed and that the topographical surveyors were on site on October 7, 2021.

9. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Tintic School District Board of Education will be held on November 15, 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