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Highlights from the Board of Education meeting: October 27, 2016

Board Report

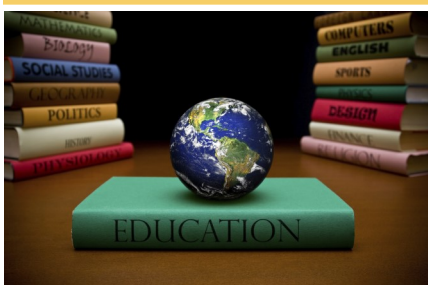


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- Jeff Heiner, President
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Superintendent
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Mission

Maximizing educational opportunities for *all* students, in a safe, nurturing environment.



Celebrating Student Achievement:

“Great Things Happening Report”- Polk School – SAGE Celebration. Maridee Harrison, principal at Polk Elementary School, introduced students and staff as part of their celebration for earning an ‘A’ on their spring 2016 Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence (SAGE) tests. She explained that SAGE tests cover English, math and science, and students are graded as either below proficient, approaching proficient, proficient or highly proficient. Students at Polk Elementary received proficiency scores of 55.1 percent in English, 50.3 percent in math and 61.3 percent in science.

When compared to 20 peer institutions throughout the state, Polk was ranked first in science SAGE proficiency and fourth in language arts and math. Congratulations Polk!!!

Christmas Cards for Troops – Andee Felker. Andee Felker, the former site tech at Taylor Canyon Elementary School (currently a teacher at Shadow Valley Elementary School) was recognized for her work with Taylor Canyon students and the impact it made on our troops in Afghanistan last Christmas. As the holidays approached, she taught the students how to make Christmas cards on the computer. These Christmas cards (300 total) were then sent overseas to a friend of hers, Major Ryan McHugh, who was stationed in Afghanistan. The cards arrived on Christmas day and he shared them with his squadron. The squadron was so grateful for the thoughtfulness of the students and Mrs. Felker, that they sent a flag that had flown over Afghanistan during a combat mission, along with a plaque that read:

“This flag represents America and the American Forces who have faithfully served in Afghanistan since October 2001. Our present mission is to establish, train, advise and assist a sustained Afghan Security Force. This flag bears witness to our continuing efforts to destroy terrorist forces to ensure that Afghanistan is never again used to stage attacks against our homeland. This flag was flown over the skies of Afghanistan on a combat mission sortie aboard an F-16 CM, Block 40 Viper, assigned to the 421st Expeditionary Fighter Squadron, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan.”

The flag and plaque was presented to Taylor Canyon students who were present at this board meeting to take back to their school. The board thanked Mrs. Felker for her great work with her students.

Special Presentation to the Board of Education by Kevin Hicks and Mitch Ogden. Kevin Hicks and Mitch Ogden were instrumental in taking the giant Silver Maple tree that was uprooted in last spring’s wind storm and cut it into slabs. This tree was estimated to be around 120 years old, and had resided on this campus since the establishment of the Utah Territorial Reform School in 1888. From one of these slabs of wood, they carved a wooden platter and presented it to the board. The board thanked Mr. Hicks and Mr. Ogden for their work and their donation of this platter back to our district.

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Increasing Student Achievement :

Student Travel Requests. The following student travel requests were approved by the board:

Ogden High School	Varsity Cheerleading, West Coast Championship Cheer Competition, Anaheim, CA – January 27 – January 31, 2017
Ogden High School	Tigerettes, Drill Team Nationals, Las Vegas, NV – March 2-5, 2017

District Negotiation Teams, 2017-2018. The following administrators and board members were named to the District Negotiation Teams for the 2017-2018 school year:

Licensed:	Sandy Coroles Joyce Wilson Zane K. Woolstenhulme Jessica Bennington Jer Bates	Superintendent Board Member Business Administrator Human Resources Director Public Information Officer
Classified:	Susan Richards Zane K. Woolstenhulme Chad Carpenter Jessica Bennington	Board Member Business Administrator Assistant Superintendent Human Resources Director
Administrative:	Sandy Coroles Don E. Belnap Zane K. Woolstenhulme Jessica Bennington	Superintendent Board Member Business Administrator Director, Human Resources

School LAND Trust Plan Amendment, 2016-2017 – Highland Junior High School (HJHS). The board approved the following changes to the Highland Junior High School LAND Trust Plan for the 2016-2017 school year:

Last year's budget had a carryover of approx. \$9k which HJHS would like to use to fund two semesters of math (1 period) for a .17 FTE (\$5,953.40 base pay and \$2,048.56 for benefits) in support of Goal #2 which states "Provide students with before, during, and after school support for the 2016-2017 school year. Reduce students on the low achievement report by 20%."

The original plan called for hiring a math aide if there were additional funds, and that has already been completed out of the October 1 allocation.

Second Reading Board Policy Manual, Section 1.2 – Board Structure, Committees, and Compensation (rev). The board approved the second reading of the Board Compensation portion of policy section 1.2:

Board Compensation & Per Diem

1. Board members receive ~~\$3,720~~ \$4,800 per year (\$400 per month) as compensation for services.
2. Additionally, the board leadership (president and vice president) and the board member assigned by the Board President to serve on the Legislative committee receives an additional \$100 per month compensation for services.
3. ~~Additionally, Board members are compensated for committee membership — and reviewing responsibilities at a rate of \$60 per meeting.~~
4. The District covers the cost of health insurance to board members and their dependents as provided in the Affordable Care Act. Alternatively, for board members opting out of group health insurance coverage, \$2,400 per year will be deposited into a Health Reimbursement Account for board members who are participating in a qualified group health insurance plan, as required by law; or an additional taxable \$200 per month may be added to monthly board compensation. Board members are offered health insurance coverage on the same basis as other employees.
5. Board members receive \$50,000 term life insurance.

First Reading Board Policy Manual, Section 8.32 – Home and Hospital (new). The board approved the first reading of policy section 8.32. A second reading will be held on this policy section at the board meeting on November 17, 2016.

RFP for Bus Advertising. The board approved the recommendation for Yellowbus Media to advertise products and services on the sides of our First Student buses, with a proposed 55% for Ogden School District, and 45% for Yellowbus Media split on any revenue generated from the sales.

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Increasing Student Achievement (cont.):

College Application Week Proclamation, 2016. The board was presented and approved the following proclamation for College Application Week:

WHEREAS the Ogden City School District Board of Education strives to ensure students are college-and-career-ready when they graduate high school;

WHEREAS the college application process may be a barrier to some high school students pursuing postsecondary education due to an absence of information or support;

WHEREAS obtaining a postsecondary degree has been linked to higher income, better health, and increased community involvement;

WHEREAS the Ogden City School District Board of Education works in partnership with Ben Lomond High School, Ogden High School, and George Washington High School to prepare students for the opportunities and challenges of the 21st century;

WHEREAS Ogden City School District is participating in Utah College Application Week, designed to increase the number of students who apply to and enroll in college with a particular focus on first-generation and low-income students;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, as members of the Ogden City School District Board of Education, do hereby declare November 2016, Utah College Application Week in Ogden City School District, and encourage Ben Lomond High School, Ogden High School, and George Washington High School seniors to take advantage of the valuable assistance provided through this initiative and to apply to at least one college or entity of higher learning.

Signed this 27th day of October, 2016.

Celebrating Student Achievement (cont.):

Superintendent's Celebration:

Soon we will be partnering with a team of dentists that will be providing preventative care to the students in our district. Big Smiles was founded by a pair of women dentists whose goal was to make sure all students who needed dental care received it. They will work with insurance but also if there isn't insurance coverage, they will do it at no cost.

We have just completed our first Common Interim Assessments and our teachers and principals did their first data analysis meeting last Wednesday, October 19, 2016. The information that they received by going through the assessments results will help them plan for their up and coming instruction.

Our Beverly Taylor Sorenson Drama Specialist, Cassie Burton was featured in the Fall 2016 issue of the Wildcat, which is Weber State University's Alumni Magazine. The article features her work as a Beverley Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program Drama Specialist at Wasatch and Polk Elementary Schools! We are excited that she was chosen to be featured for her work and the impact that she has on her students!

