

Study Session  
Tuesday, August 12, 2025 Mountain Time

JATC South Campus (Board Conference  
Room)  
12723 S. Park Avenue (2080 West)  
Riverton, Utah 84065

1. **STUDY SESSION – OPEN MEETING** - 4:00 p.m.  
*The Board may engage in discussion, provide administrative direction, or take other action on any of the study session agenda items listed below.*
  - 1.A. Discussion on Adoption of Fluency Materials as per Administrative Policy  
DE501 Curriculum Adoption and Review Committee
  - 1.B. Discussion on Adoption of Wayfinder Curriculum as per Administrative Policy  
DE501 Curriculum Adoption and Review Committee
  - 1.C. Report on Literacy and Math Progress and Goals
  - 1.D. Title IX Reporting Required by Utah Code 53G-6-11-110
  - 1.E. Presentation on New Administrative Policy Regarding Salary Supplements for  
Highly Needed Educators (SHINE).
  - 1.F. Continued Discussion on Initial Boundary Change Data for Midas Creek  
Elementary School
  - 1.G. Continued Discussion on Initial Boundary Change Data for Sunset Ridge  
Middle School
  - 1.H. Discussion on Field Houses
  - 1.I. Updates on What is New for the 2025-26 School Year
  - 1.J. Board and Superintendent Reports and Comments
2. **BUSINESS ITEMS**
  - 2.A. Consent Agenda Items
    - 2.A.1. Minutes
    - 2.A.2. Fraud Risk Assessment
  - 2.B. Bids
    - 2.B.1. Mountain Ridge High School - Mascot Statue
    - 2.B.2. Information Systems - Google Workspace for Education Plus Licenses
    - 2.B.3. Facility Services - Emergency Power to IT Closet at Multiple Locations  
– Bid Package #1
  - 2.C. Motion To Go Into Closed Session
3. **POTENTIAL CLOSED SESSION**
  - 3.A. Character and Competence of Individuals (Personnel)
  - 3.B. Property
  - 3.C. Potential Litigation
  - 3.D. Negotiations
  - 3.E. Security

Jordan School District  
**MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
June 10, 2025

The Board of Education of Jordan School District met in study, general, and closed sessions and conducted a budget hearing on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 beginning at 4:07 p.m. at JATC South (Board Conference Room), 12723 S. Park Avenue (2080 West), Riverton, Utah. The sessions were also provided electronically via YouTube.

**STUDY SESSION**

Those recognized or signed in as present:

Niki George, Board President  
Bryce Dunford, First Vice President  
Brian W. Barnett, Second Vice President  
Erin Barrow, Board Member  
Lisa Dean, Board Member  
Darrell Robinson, Board Member  
Suzanne Wood, Board Member  
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent  
John Larsen, Business Administrator  
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent, excused  
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law  
Carolyn Gough, Administrator of Teaching & Learning  
Brad Sorensen, Administrator of Schools  
Scott Thomas, Administrator of Auxiliary Services  
Lisa LeStarge, Administrative Assistant  
Sarah Baver, Education Elements Consultant, via electronic connection

President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education met in a study session to discuss the following:

**A. Discussion on Portrait of a Graduate and the Strategic Plan**

President George invited Education Elements Consultant Sarah Baver to give an update on the current status of Portrait of a Graduate and the Strategic Plan.

Ms. Baver gave an implementation timeline, highlighting the progress completed thus far and objectives for implementation in 2025-26. She discussed general plans for the June and August 2025 teacher and administrative professional development launches, and shared a High Impact Teaching Strategies (HITS) playbook and project management dashboard with Board members.

Niki George asked about specifics regarding implementation and Dr. Godfrey explained that a new teacher orientation with on-going training will be provided.

Suzanne Wood asked about special education students in regards to proficiency scales. Ms. Baver explained that teachers cooperate with students to create rubrics incorporating self-reflection assignments and proficiency scales.

The Superintendent said there are two goals for the upcoming administrative training: 1) explaining how the Plan connects with what teachers are already doing, and 2) helping administrators and teachers understand the “why” behind the new Portrait and Plan. Erin Barrow also plans to share this information in Jordan Parent Advisory Committee (JPAC) meetings in the future.

Dr. Godfrey expressed appreciation to Education Elements for their work and said he hopes to re-engage with them in the future for follow-up and further refinement of the Plan.

**B. Review of Recommended Revisions to Administrative Policy AA414 Student Overnight Travel**

Administrator of Schools Brad Sorensen brought a request to the Board to change the Student Overnight Travel Policy to increase the radius of travel in District Suburbans for student events. He asked for Jordan's policy to align with State Risk regulations, which allow for travel in Suburbans within the state of Utah boundaries.

Board members agreed with this request and with changing the word "Suburban" to "large capacity vehicle", as recommended by Suzanne Wood.

Dr. Godfrey said the policy will be updated with the recommended wording and brought back to the August 26, 2025 business meeting for a vote. Board members agreed to immediately allow the recommended change for travel within the state until the policy is officially ratified.

President George called for a motion to go into a brief closed session.

**MOTION:** At 5:28 p.m., it was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to go into closed session. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Those recognized or signed-in as present:

Niki George, Board President  
Bryce Dunford, First Vice President  
Brian W. Barnett, Second Vice President  
Erin Barrow, Board Member  
Lisa Dean, Board Member  
Darrell Robinson, Board Member  
Suzanne Wood, Board Member  
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent  
John Larsen, Business Administrator  
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent, excused  
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law  
Scott Thomas, Administrator of Auxiliary Services

President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education met in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; property, potential litigation, negotiations, and security measures. The closed session discussion was recorded and archived.

At 6:03 p.m., the meeting adjourned and the Board convened in a Budget Hearing.

**BUDGET HEARING**

Those recognized or signed in as present:

Niki George, Board President  
Bryce Dunford, First Vice President  
Brian W. Barnett, Second Vice President  
Erin Barrow, Board Member  
Lisa Dean, Board Member  
Darrell Robinson, Board Member  
Suzanne Wood, Board Member  
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent  
John Larsen, Business Administrator  
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent, excused  
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law  
Carolyn Gough, Administrator of Teaching & Learning

Daniel Ellis, Director, Accounting, Budgets and Audits  
Kurt Prusse, Director, Purchasing  
Sandy Riesgraf, Director, Communications  
Jason Mott, Senior Accountant  
Lisa LeStarge, Administrative Assistant  
Krista Mecham, Teachers Specialist, Language & Culture Services

President George presided and conducted. She welcomed those present. Administrator Carolyn Gough led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave Reverence.

President George invited Superintendent Godfrey and Business Administrator John Larsen to conduct the budget hearing.

### **Introduction**

Bryce Dunford, Finance Committee Chair, said Board members must have a knowledge of the District budget process and be confident that funds are being spent wisely. He explained the budget is amended three times each year to align projections with allocated funds. He added that the budget is not a reflection of all District finances, but a guide for spending wisely. Mr. Dunford paid tribute to John Larsen, calling him the “best Business Administrator in the State”, and said Mr. Larsen’s staff have an abundance of integrity and represent the District well.

As Chief Budget Officer, Superintendent Godfrey expressed confidence in and gratitude for Mr. Larsen. He said he and his team have a high level of dedication, integrity and skill to navigate the complex financial budgeting process while complying with federal, state, and local requirements. He said the budget reflects Jordan’s values and the District takes its stewardship over tax dollars very seriously. Dr. Godfrey also expressed gratitude for the Board’s ongoing support.

### **Presentation of the 2025-26 Budget**

Mr. Larsen thanked his staff, particularly Dan Ellis and Jason Mott, for their hard work on the budget. He introduced the budget summary with the intent of providing clear, accurate and helpful data. He gave more information about the following:

Operational Changes- Changes include an increase in health insurance premiums; interest revenue, the opening of the Jordan Learning Center this year, retirement system changes; and cost increases for utilities, maintenance, and transportation. Other operational changes include staffing, special education stipend increases, and the purchase of phonics instructional resources. Cost reductions were made as five District-level jobs were eliminated this year.

State Revenues- The Utah State Legislature increased the WPU \$180 or 4.0% for the 2025-26 school year which will generate \$13.6 million in revenue, less the \$400,000 Local Replacement Fund for charter schools, for a total revenue increase of \$18.7 million.

Compensation- Employees were given salary level increases and lane advancements this year in addition to pay increases totaling \$22.1 million.

Enrollment Projections- The District’s 2025-26 projected enrollment of 56,371 represents an decrease of 712 students (-1.25%) from the October 1, 2024 enrollment. Although District enrollment overall has fallen, it is important to note that some areas in the District are growing while some are decreasing.

Assessed Valuation- The 2025-26 assessed valuation per student, based on the State Board of Education legislative estimates, is projected to be \$809,183. This amount, based on legislative estimates, is the lowest in Salt Lake County, thus yielding a lower tax revenue.

Tax Rate Comparison- A state-wide comparison of 2024-25 tax rates places Jordan slightly below the state average. Jordan is the tenth from the lowest in the state on operational tax yield and ranks in the bottom third on facilities tax yield.

Finance Committee Questions – Mr. Larsen gave the following information on three items the Board Finance Committee wanted addressed:

- 1) Per student costs/ Utah Fits All Scholarship – The range and cost of students is an average. If state money is given to those not in public education, the “lowest cost” students will be incentivized to leave and the average cost per student will increase.
- 2) Inflation and government funding impacts – Tax systems are based on “floating percentages” (property tax), or a fixed percentage (sales or income tax). Floating rates are subject to inflationary impacts, but there is no inflationary adjustment to property taxes.
- 3) Voted and Board guarantee minimum tax rate impacts - School districts have minimum tax rates, but must hold a Truth-in-Taxation Hearing to reach the required minimum tax rates. The Basic Levy is required and is not subject to Truth-in-Taxation, while the Voted and Board Levies must hold Truth-in-Taxation to qualify for state funding.

Financial Overview - Mr. Larsen presented a five-year financial overview of revenue, expenditures, and fund balance on a District-wide basis and for the major funds which include the General (aka Maintenance and Operation), Debt Service, Capital Projects, Nutrition Services, Self-Insurance, and Tax Increment Funds. Actual figures were provided for 2020-21 2021-22, and 2023-24 years; final amended figures for 2024-25, and proposed figures for 2025-26.

Districtwide - During 2025-26, it is estimated the District will receive 82.9 percent of its revenue from the state, 6.9 percent from local sources, and 4.4 percent from the federal government. Mr. Larsen said current year revenues and expenditures are slightly inflated due to deferred revenues. Deferred revenues represent grant funds which are restricted and, therefore, are carried over until spent. These funds are budgeted to be spent in the current year. Districtwide revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 are projected to be \$851.4 million, \$940 million, and \$185.1 million, respectively.

General Fund- The General Fund is the largest of the District’s funds and is used to pay salaries, benefits, supplies, textbooks, and utilities. The projected general fund balance for the 2025-26 school year is \$101.7 million and includes employee benefits covered by the Board. The General Fund revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 is projected to be \$637.9 million, \$708.4 million, and \$101.7 million (\$171.9 million without contingencies), respectively. Mr. Larsen noted 88.8% of the total expenditures are spent on personnel (64.5% wages and 24.3% benefits), and 11.2% on supplies, textbooks, and other purchases. He said the District receives less unrestricted funds each year due to legislative regulations and rules.

Debt Service Fund- The Debt Service Fund is used for mortgage payments for bonded indebtedness. Debt Service Fund revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 are projected to be \$14.1 million, \$13.8 million, and \$.3 million, respectively. Jordan District’s 2025 additional legal debt incurring capacity is \$2.7 billion. Mr. Larsen highlighted the fact that a bond series was paid in full this year.

Capital Projects Fund- This fund is used for building remodeling and renovation needs, new construction, and equipment purchases. Capital Projects Fund revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 are projected to be \$55.6 million, \$62.3 million, and \$64.2 million, respectively. Construction projects include the Jordan Learning Center, scheduled to open September 2025, and the West Jordan High School remodel.

Nutrition Services Fund- The Nutrition Services Fund is used for school lunch and breakfast programs. Nutrition Services Fund revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 is projected to be \$23.3 million, \$30.6 million, and \$7.5 million, respectively. Mr. Larsen indicated participation in school lunch is going down which accounts for the decrease in revenue.

Self-Insurance Fund- This fund is used for health and accident, Worker’s Compensation, disability, and life insurance for employees. Self-Insurance Fund revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 are

projected to be \$64.5 million, \$66.8 million, and \$7.2 million, respectively. Mr. Larsen said the fund balance mostly reflects the Worker's Compensation piece, with only \$1.5 million of this balance attributed to self-insurance. Changes this year include: plan names changed for clarity, deductible and copays increased, premium changed, and a district match will be given for HSA plan contributions. Mr. Larsen agreed to provide updates on this periodically through the 2025-26 year.

Pass-Through Taxes Fund- This is a state fund indicating the taxes received that are required to be sent to other municipalities. Since tax revenues collected are transferred to other governmental agencies, the fund balance will always be zero. Fund revenues and expenditures for the 2025-26 school year are projected to be \$33.4 and 33.4, respectively. The local replacement contributions to charter schools in 2025-26 is projected to be \$6,428,903.

Jordan Education Foundation- The purpose of the Foundation is to support the mission and vision of Jordan School District and provide community outreach in spreading the word about positive things happening within the District. Foundation revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 are projected to be \$2.5 million, \$2.5 million, and \$1.8 million, respectively.

Student Activities Fund- This fund is used for tracking student fees, student activities, school donations, school fundraisers, and extracurricular activities. Student Activities fund revenue, expenditures, and fund balance for 2025-26 are projected to be \$20.3 million, \$22.2 million, and \$2.2 million, respectively. Mr. Larsen said the drop in revenue is due to registration fees that have been eliminated this year and Jordan's Activities Fund balance is among the lowest in the state.

Tax Rates- Mr. Larsen said the 2025-26 proposed tax rate will reflect a certified tax rate with Jordan District being revenue neutral, plus new growth as well as a proposed Board Local Levy increase sufficient to raise additional revenues the Board desired. He indicated that the actual tax rate for 2025-26 is undetermined because the assessed valuation and certified tax rates are still being calculated by Salt Lake County and the Utah State Tax Commission. The property tax per \$100,000 of residential market value for 2025-26 is estimated to be \$285 without a tax increase.

Truth-in-Taxation- A Truth-in-Taxation hearing is tentatively scheduled this year at Bingham High School, on August 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Conclusion. Mr. Larsen recommended the Board take the following action:

1. Adopt the 2024-25 final amended budget.
2. Adopt the 2025-26 proposed budget.
3. Authorize any budget adjustments necessary to reflect funds received from the certified tax rate.

### **Questions and Comments from Board Members**

Darrell Robinson asked if property tax was decreased as a bond was paid in full this year. Mr. Larsen said homeowners will see a decrease on this line item, but property tax documents are required now to give information on four line items: basic levy, charter levy, debt levy, and all other levies combined.

Lisa Dean asked about current inflation and Mr. Larsen said there is a history of inflation rates given on page 8 in the tentative budget book.

### **Patron Comments Related to the Budget Hearing**

No patrons signed up to address the Board regarding the Budget Hearing and no patrons accepted the invitation to speak.

### **Board Action**

**MOTION**: It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to adopt the 2024-25 final amended budget.

Lisa Dean commented on the preliminary budget book, noting that pages 54 and 55 gave a comparison of class sizes and teacher-to-student ratio for Jordan schools with that of other school districts. She said it is notable that Jordan School District has some of the lowest class sizes.

President George called for a vote on the motion to adopt the 2024-25 final amended budget. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to adopt the 2025-26 proposed budget.

Board members discussed implications of passing this motion, namely the possibility of holding a Truth-in-Taxation hearing this year.

Mr. Robinson said he wants legislators to: 1) provide an inflationary increase on property tax, and 2) eliminate the minimum amount districts have to charge.

Niki George said many of her constituents prefer more frequent small tax increases rather than larger ones and said she would not support a large Truth-in-Taxation increase. She also expressed concern about funding transportation needs.

Lisa Dean said she would like to see more funds allotted to student activities. Mr. Larsen said there has been an increase in the general fund to offset the loss of fees. In addition, the legislature allotted some funds to offset the loss over the next three years.

President George called for a roll-call vote on the motion to adopt the 2025-26 proposed budget. The motion passed with a vote of four to three as follows:

Lisa Dean	No
Suzanne Wood	Yes
Brian Barnett	Yes
Bryce Dunford	Yes
Darrell Robinson	Yes
Niki George	No
Erin Barrow	No

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to authorize any budget adjustments necessary to reflect funds received from the certified tax rate. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

At 8:08 p.m., the budget hearing ended. The general session started immediately following the budget hearing.

### **GENERAL SESSION**

Those recognized or signed in as present:

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Bryce Dunford, First Vice President  
Brian W. Barnett, Second Vice President  
Erin Barrow, Board Member  
Lisa Dean, Board Member  
Darrell Robinson, Board Member  
Suzanne Wood, Board Member  
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Jason Mott, Senior Accountant  
Lisa LeStarge, Administrative Assistant  
Krista Mecham, Teachers Specialist, Language & Culture Services

President George presided and conducted. She welcomed those present.

### **Resolutions of Appreciation**

Lisa Dean read a Resolution of Appreciation for Donna Elaine Spade, who recently passed away. Ms. Spade was employed by Jordan School District from 1999 to 2021.

### **Recognitions by Board Members**

President George expressed gratitude to all graduating seniors for showing decorum at recent graduation ceremonies. She also thanked all those who organized, planned, and performed the ceremonies for their efforts.

Suzanne Wood recognized the Riverton High School Girls Softball Team for winning a State Championship the fourth time in the last five years. In addition, Bryce Dunford recognized the Bingham Boys Volleyball Team for being State Champions.

Lisa Dean expressed her appreciation for teachers, administrators, and families for their efforts in helping students qualify for high school graduation. She also congratulated eleven individuals who recently received a GED certificate from the Jordan Family Learning Center. She expressed gratitude for the great support the District gives to families.

Erin Barrow enjoyed high school graduation ceremonies. She recognized Kings Peak for their fourth graduating class, with 18 students that completed all four years at this school.

Darrell Robinson enjoyed the many graduation ceremonies he attended this year and thanked the staff at Utah Valley University for their great partnership with Jordan District in providing a graduation venue and hosting these events. He thanked administrators and Superintendent Godfrey for their participation and support.

### **Superintendent's Recognitions**

Superintendent Godfrey said he is grateful for all the work that has been done to prepare students for graduation. He said the ceremonies went very smoothly and expressed appreciation to the Board for allowing graduation ceremonies to be held during two consecutive days.

#### **I. Public Comments**

##### **A. Patron Comments Regarding Non-Agenda Items**

No patrons signed up to address the Board regarding non-agenda items and no audience members accepted the invitation to speak.

#### **II. General Business – Consent Agenda**

##### **A. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items**

##### **1. Minutes**

Minutes of the Board of Education meeting held May 27, 2025 were presented to the Board of Education for approval.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Brian Barnett to approve Consent Agenda item A1, as recommended. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**B. Motion to Accept Consent Agenda Items**

**1. Expenditures**

Expenditures for the month of May 2025 were provided to the Board of Education.

**2. Financial Statement**

The financial statement through May 31, 2025, was provided to the Board of Education. A copy is attached at the conclusion of these minutes. (Attachment 2)

**3. Personnel – Licensed and Education Support Professionals**

Personnel changes for the month of May 2025 were provided to the Board of Education.

**4. Recommendation to Issue Certificates for Home Instruction**

It was recommended that the students whose parents have filed affidavits pursuant to Utah Code 53G-6-204 shall be issued certificates excusing them from attending public school.

**5. Non-Compliance Report**

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Suzanne Wood to accept Consent Agenda items B1 through B5, as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Bid Recommendations**

**A. School or Department  
Language & Culture Services**

Items for Bid  
**Comprehensive Web-based  
Multilingual Learner Program  
Management & Instructional  
Support Solution for Grades K-12**

Bidders  
ANTON (ANTON Learning App)  
Curriculum Associates (Ellevation)  
Summit K12 Holdings (Summit K12)

Amount of Bid  
\$898,400.00 (over 5 years)

Purpose: To continue providing a comprehensive, web-based Multilingual Learner Program Management and Instructional Support solution for grades K-12.

Budget: Title III and At-Risk

Recommendation: It was recommended placing the order with Curriculum Associates (Ellevation). They complied with the specifications, terms, and conditions outlined in the RFP documents. The evaluation committee made the recommendation based on the results of the evaluation process and final ratings of the proposals. This is a five (5) year contract.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Suzanne Wood and seconded by Lisa Dean to approve the bid for Comprehensive Web-based Multilingual Learner Program Management & Instructional Support Solution for grades K-12 for Language & Culture Services, as recommended.

President George called for a vote and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

IV. **Special Business**

A. **Consideration of Sensitive Material Review Appeals**

President George said tonight's Board decision and the related discussion concerns the appeal of the Review Committee's initial determination that three books constituted objective sensitive material as defined by statute. The previous decision by the Review Committee resulted in a removal of each book on the objective classification in policy and state law. Since that time, the Board received many appeals to the Board's classification decision.

She said it is intended for Board members to vote on each book, individually, in this meeting to determine whether the books meet the statutory classification of objective sensitive material, as defined by state law.

She requested a motion regarding the book *Speak*.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow that the book *Speak* does not constitute objective sensitive material as defined in Utah code 76-5c-207.

Lisa Dean, Darrell Robinson, and Niki George all agreed the book *Speak* does not rise to the level of sensitive material in state law. Brian Barnett agreed, noting however there is subjectivity in the objective sensitive material process.

President George called for a vote on the motion regarding the book *Speak*. The motion passed unanimously and Ms. George said the book will now return to the Committee to be reviewed under subjective terms.

President George called for a motion regarding the graphic novel *Speak*.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow that the graphic novel *Speak* does not constitute objective sensitive material as defined in Utah code 76-5c-207. The motion passed unanimously.

President George said this book will be reviewed again under the subjective classification. She then called for a motion regarding the book *Story of a Girl*.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Lisa Dean and seconded by Erin Barrow that the book *Story of a Girl* does not constitute objective sensitive material as defined in Utah code 76-5c-207.

Darrell Robinson said he was uncomfortable with some of the book's content and as a parent, he would prefer to be notified if his child checked the book out of the school library. President George said the book review policy was on the agenda to be discussed in the subsequent study session. She called for a vote on the motion regarding *Story of a Girl*. The motion passed unanimously.

V. **Information Items**

A. **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Godfrey thanked all employees who continue to work during the summer providing meals and services for students; and training for teachers. He said many people are working hard to prepare

for the coming school year and he expressed gratitude for all they do. President George added her appreciation for Dr. Godfrey and the Communications departments for their tireless efforts.

VI. **Discussion Items**

A. **Committee Reports and Comments by Board Members**

Suzanne Wood reported on the USBA delegate assembly held recently. She said the following items were discussed: establishing an education working group, providing for special education and at-risk students, incentivizing a culture of attendance, funding for LEA's and an educational funding framework for the long term. President George said she will send out a final copy to the Board once she has received it.

Lisa Dean went to the Google for Education presentation and expressed excitement about new technology capabilities. She also gave another reminder about the My County Rec Pass which provides free access to Sale Lake County recreations centers for all students ages 0 to 18.

Niki George attended the USBA Board of Directors Meeting where Joint Legislative Committee priorities were discussed. She announced the Leadership Academy will be held September 25 through 27, 2025 at a new venue in Bryce Canyon, Utah. Ms. George gave a reminder about Master Board certification and USBA policy webinars.

Lisa Dean gave a final reminder about the Jordan Education Foundation Links to Schools Golf Classic that will be held June 26, 2025.

At 8:59 p.m., President George declared the meeting adjourned and announced that the Board would return to study session.

**STUDY SESSION, Continued**

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Erin Barrow, Board Member  
Lisa Dean, Board Member  
Darrell Robinson, Board Member  
Suzanne Wood, Board Member  
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent  
John Larsen, Business Administrator  
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent, excused  
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law  
Lisa LeStarge, Administrative Assistant

President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education continued its study session to discuss the following:

C. **Initial Boundary Change Data for Midas Creek Elementary School**

Dr. Godfrey said that this initial data regarding a possible boundary realignment was prompted by parent interest and Board request. He emphasized this discussion is to look at the possibility of aligning feeder systems and obtain further direction from the Board on next steps.

Dr. Godfrey said that currently Midas Creek Elementary students feed into three different middle and three different high schools. He presented the following options for a possible feeder system:

Area 1: Copper Mountain Middle School/ Herriman High School  
Area 2: Oquirrh Mountain Middle School/ Riverton High School  
Area 3: Sunset Ridge Middle School/ Mountain Ridge High School

After discussion, it was decided Area 2 was the most sensible option, based on student enrollment numbers and location. Transportation and permit options were discussed. The possibility of “grandfathering” students to these locations in phased approach over a few years was also considered.

President George requested the following from administration:

- 1) Draft of a preliminary survey offering two choices: no change, or aligning the feeder system to Oquirrh Mountain Middle/Riverton High Schools
- 2) Timeline for a phased approach to moving students into those secondary schools, with both a three- and six-year option
- 3) Implications for transportation regarding busing students to the aforementioned schools

Dr. Godfrey agreed to bring this information back to the August 12, 2025 study session.

**D. Initial Boundary Change Data for Sunset Ridge Middle School**

Dr. Godfrey said options are being considered to alleviate the high capacity enrollment at Sunset Ridge Middle School and make better use of space in neighboring schools. He shared information about use capacity at four neighboring middle schools and enrollment numbers of those schools.

The optimum solution was presented that:

- 1) 300 Sunset Ridge Middle School students living in the northwest boundary, as well as those currently attending West Hills Middle School, attend West Hills Middle and Copper Hills High School
- 2) Elk Ridge Middle School students feed into Bingham High School
- 3) A small area in current Elk Ridge Middle School boundaries, that currently feeds into West Jordan High School, feed into Bingham High School

Board members agreed with this suggestion, however they asked about transportation implications and timing.

Dr. Godfrey agreed to bring back information on transportation options regarding this option and a potential plan for “grandfathering” students over a three year period to the receiving schools. He emphasized the boundary change process is still in the broad discussion phase and prior to being final, must include public notifications, surveys, open houses, and multiple opportunities for public comment in Board meetings. It is hopeful a decision will be made by the end of the calendar year.

**E. Review Changes to Enrollment Considerations Document**

Mr. Dunford requested postponing agenda item E to the next study session in August 2025 and President George agreed. She suggested Board members send all edited versions of the Enrollment Consideration document to the Facilities Committee prior to that meeting.

**F. Schedule Sharing for School Events**

President George said Board members requested help in being made aware of school and Districtwide activities and events. As there as so many events each year, Ms. George suggested listing those items Board members would consider priorities to attend.

After discussion, Dr. Godfrey agreed to email a list of main activities and events that include multiple schools. These events include the following areas: performing arts, region/state sport championships, Unified Sports, and Career and Technical Education. If Board members have interest in other school-specific activities, they may contact individual school administration.

Dr. Godfrey said he hopes a Back-to-School edition of the Board Bulletin will be ready in the fall.

**G. Review of Administrative Policy AA440 *Library Media Selection and Review***

Erin Barrow, Policy Committee member, said Policy AA440 needs to be adjusted to make sure there are age-appropriate materials in Jordan schools. She shared a draft version of the policy with the following changes:

- 1) The Full Objective Review Committee increased from three to eight people
- 2) The Full Subjective Review Committee increased from five to seven people
- 3) The addition of “a supermajority vote” regarding determination of whether material constitutes objective or subjective sensitive material

Brian Barnett suggested using a percentage instead of the ambiguous “supermajority” classification for voting.

Niki George suggested clarifying “parents of current students” regarding those that are making an appeal, and possibly expanding the definition of subjective material. Board Attorney Paul Van Komen cautioned Board members that wording should not extend beyond the Miller Test for Obscenity.

Board members discussed information sent to parents regarding materials their child(ren) are checking-out from school and adding language from State code to the policy.

It was decided that the Policy Committee will revise Policy AA440 further and bring it back to a future study session.

**MOTION:** At 11:24 p.m., it was moved by Brian Barnett and seconded by Suzanne Wood to go into closed session. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Those recognized or signed-in as present:

Niki George, Board President  
Bryce Dunford, First Vice President  
Brian W. Barnett, Second Vice President  
Erin Barrow, Board Member  
Lisa Dean, Board Member  
Darrell Robinson, Board Member  
Suzanne Wood, Board Member  
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent  
John Larsen, Business Administrator  
Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent, excused  
Paul Van Komen, BVKTS Law

President George presided and conducted. The Board of Education met in a closed session to discuss Property. The closed session discussion was recorded and archived.

**MOTION:** At 11:30 p.m., it was moved by Bryce Dunford and seconded by Brian Barnett to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.