



BOARD BRIEFS

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Consultant updates board on boundary study

Board of Education to hear input during upcoming public hearing

The Boundary Study for Elementary No. 63 continues to move forward, Boundary Consultant Dr. Darrell White told board members Tuesday.

White said staff have spent hundreds of hours studying boundaries, driving neighborhoods and looking at all the options.

“I keep thinking there’s going to be an easy (boundary study). I’m naïve,” White said jokingly.

The most recent progress in the study included significant input from community council members and then parents during a recent open house.

“As always, that process is heavily weighted toward public input,” White said.

About 100 parents attended the open house. Members of the work study group were on hand to answer questions and about 39 parents submitted written comments. Considering the number of parents impacted by the changes, White said that may not seem like very many

comments, but the study group takes each comment into consideration.

“To us, every single one of those is extremely important,” he said. “These are people ... who have a sincere interest in what is being done.”

Boundary studies are complex, White said. With two of the schools in the boundary study having Dual Language Immersion programs, the complexity increases. An email account set up to receive comment has received 76 emails so far and 29 concern immersion, he said.

The next step will be the board’s turn to hear from the public. A public hearing

on the boundary study is set for Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the district auditorium, 45 E. State Street, Farmington.

Before then, White said, the boundary study committee will look at one or two possible changes. Changes will be communicated to parents and board members. The final proposal is scheduled to come before the board on Nov. 6.

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Board approves overages for new junior high, renovation

New school sites sometimes come with small surprises.

That was the case for Shoreline Junior High and Mountain High, Business Administrator Craig Carter told board members during their regular meeting Tuesday.

The builder of Shoreline Junior High encountered a high water table, which required more soil to be brought in. Carter said the district used cost savings in other areas to help pay for some of the overage, but was unable to absorb \$528,637. The Board approved increasing the Guaranteed Maximum price.

The board also approved

\$583,076 extra for the renovation at Mountain High. For years, portable classrooms were at that site. When the portables were removed for the renovation, Carter said, it was determined that the soil was not stable enough for the new building and needed replaced.

Board Member Julie Tanner asked how often the district increases the cost on a building project. Carter said it does happen occasionally. Soil tests and other site inspections are done in advance, but a significantly wet spring can impact the location.

In other business, the Board of Education approved:

- A renovation of the Viewmont High baseball field by Advanced

Solutions for \$95,328. Updates will be made to the dugouts, backstop and other areas.

- Revisions to the policy governing school fees to bring it in line with new state board rule.

- A new policy that outlines school collections and accounting procedures for student fees.

- Changes to the policy regarding facility rentals. The changes distinguish between for-profit and non-profit use. It also outlines which parts of the buildings or grounds cannot be rented.

Board members also repealed the school uniforms policy and finalized goals for the group for the year.

Recognizing Latinos in Action



Representatives for Clearfield High School.



Representative of Bountiful High School.



Representatives for Layton High School.



Representatives of Davis High School.



Representatives for Northridge High School.



Representatives of Syracuse High School.



Representatives for Woods Cross High School.



Levi Larsen, center, a musical theater student at Davis High School, performed a piece from "Beauty and the Beast."

Student performer board recognition