



# UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS

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## MEETING MINUTES

### UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

Main Building Room 1414

Members Present: A.J. Roche, Carol Riggs, Eric Fitzsimons, Scott Williams, Justin Nelson, Jessica Anderson, Frank Freeman, Amanda Widel  
Staff Present: Jennifer Weaver, Sue Toricelli, Jeff Casey, David Jones

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6:00 P.M. Regular Board Meeting

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

- Call to order at 6:01

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA - AJ (CAROL) PASSED

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 [DECEMBER 11, 2024](#)

- MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES - ERIC (SCOTT) PASSED

4.0 COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

- NONE

5.0 POMS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM, ALL STATE BAND MEMBERS

- RYAN WEHRMAN INTRODUCES THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP POMS TEAM. GINA SHEPARD IS ONE OF THE WINNINGEST COACHES ON UNIVERSITY STAFF. GINA THEN SHARES A LITTLE ABOUT THE TEAM AND HOW THE PROGRAM IS STRUCTURED. THE

ATHLETES ARE ALSO HEAVILY INVOLVED WITH OTHER DANCE STUDIOS. HOWEVER, UNIVERSITY'S PROGRAM IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR ATHLETES TO COMPETE OUTSIDE OF A STUDIO AND IN A SCHOOL PROGRAM. ATHLETES THEN SHARE A LITTLE ABOUT THEIR SEASON AND THEIR ROAD TO THE STATE TOURNAMENT. THEY ALSO SHARE SOME OF THEIR FUTURE DANCE PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL. BOARD MEMBERS WERE THEN INVITED TO THE POMES TEAMS SHOWCASE COMING UP IN MARCH.

- EACH MEMBER OF THE HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STATE BAND MEMBERS SHARED THEIR MUSICAL EXPERIENCES WITH THE BOARD.

## 6.0 Junior Bulldogs

- None

## 7.0 STAFF REPORTS

### 7.1 Principal's Update - Jeff Casey

- Jeff Casey starts by sharing a video with a few highlights and a few student interviews from the poms team and the all-state band members. He then shares a few more updates from the high school. Winter sports are in full swing and are doing really well. In the classroom, there was an open position filled very quickly. The cell-phone policy is going well as students come back from winter break. There are a few schedule and calendar changes for next year that the school is getting ready for.

### 7.2 Superintendent's Update

- Girls wrestling
- Guitar concert
- Fall sport recaps
- D6 partnership with getting a kid in crisis placed in a program
- Nurse retention grant \$2,000 to Mandy
- Snow show
- 4th grade sign language
- Jeff and Dennis went to a crisis training

### 7.3 [Business Manager's Update](#)

## 8.0 ITEMS FOR ACTION

8.1 Consent Agenda: Board members will be asked if they wish to discuss any issues listed on the Consent Agenda. If so, these items will be moved from the Consent Agenda and placed under Items for Action. Items remaining on the Consent Agenda will be voted on together.

### 8.1.1 [Personnel](#)

- Motion to approve the consent agenda - A.J. (Frank)  
Passed

## 9.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

### 9.1 AMENDED BUDGET ([GENERAL FUND BUDGET](#), [CAPITAL FUND BUDGET](#))

- I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE THE PROPOSED REVISED GROSS BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND PRESENTED TO THE BOARD ON JANUARY 8, 2025 FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR - (CAROL) ERIC - PASSED
- I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE THE PROPOSED REVISED CAPITAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR AS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD ON JANUARY 8, 2025 - (CAROL) A.J. - PASSED

### 9.2 1ST READING FOR PROPOSED 2025/2026 CALENDAR ([STUDENT](#), [STAFF](#))

- MEMBERS DECIDED TO HAVE A SECOND READING OF THE CALENDAR AT NEXT MONTH'S MEETING, AND THEN TAKE ACTION

## 10.0 BOARD REPORTS/COMMUNICATION

### 10.1 BOG Report - Chairman

- Justin mentions that Ryan Mayeda is stepping away for a few meetings for personal reasons. Other than that, Justin is excited for the second half of the year.

### 10.2 Communication from the Board

- A.J. has several floor plans that he has shared with Jennifer.
- Carol doesn't have much to share.
- Eric shares about a few community resources geared towards younger kids and their access to stem programs. There is also potential to bring in trailers on campus that provide more opportunities that the school doesn't have space for.
- Scott shares his excitement for the rest of the year.
- Jessica echoes Scott and also shares that her kids are in the middle of their wrestling season.
- Frank shares that they received thank you notes from staff after getting their holiday gift cards. He also asks to clarify the phone storage aspect of the new cell phone policy. Jeff states that students are allowed to keep their phones as long as they are out of sight or put away. Frank also suggests training for teachers to help support them as they transition into the new cell phone policy.
- Amanda gives a shout out to Ms. Bjornson and the trip to England she is taking students on. There was a particular

student who couldn't afford the trip, and she has been raising the funds to pay for his trip.

10.3 Joint Use Report

- none

10.4 Capitol Planning Report

- none

10.5 Foundation Report

- none

11.0 CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss personnel matters relating to an internal investigation C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(f)

- Enter into executive session at 7:29
- Ended 9:04

12.0 FUTURE BUSINESS

13.0 NEXT REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 12, 2024

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

- MOTION TO ADJOURN - ERIC (CAROL) PASSED