

**Utah State Board of Education Meeting  
Summary of Board Actions**

September 6, 2013

- Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of R277-404 passed unanimously.
  
- Motion passed unanimously to continue R277-404 and approve amendments to the rule made in the August Board meeting on third reading, with the exception of the language in 404-3-10-d-ii: “A teacher shall consider students’ summative adaptive assessments in determining students’ academic grades for the appropriate courses and students’ advancement to the next grade level.” [Amended motion adding the exception was opposed by Members Allen and Burningham.]

The rule will come back to the Instruction, Assessment and Technology Committee for further discussion.

- Motion was made that the Board support SITLA’s action on the Book Cliffs development.

Motion was amended that the Board support the contract with the caveat that SITLA consider an option to trade the 20,000 acres in the southern rim for oil and gas property that is of equal or greater value with respect to the royalty SITLA would receive. Motion to amend failed, with Members Burningham, Groom, Moss and Thomas in favor, and Members Allen, Buswell, Castle, Corry, Jensen, Johnson, Openshaw, Pyfer, and Roberts opposed.

Original motion passed unanimously.

- Board Budget Priorities
  - It was determined that the USDB Building Blocks will be presented separately from the Board request. Those building blocks will not be prioritized with the other Board priorities at this time, but may be in the future.
  
  - Motion to approve full funding of growth as the Board’s #1 legislative expectation passed.

- Motion was made that a 2.2 percent increase in the WPU be part of the minimum expectation. Motion was amended to include “at least a 2.2 percent increase . . .” Motion to amend passed, with Member Thomas opposed. Amended motion passed, with Member Thomas opposed.
- Motion to approve Secondary Math Initiative as the Board’s #1 ongoing priority passed.
- Motion was made to approve as the Board’s #2 ongoing priority Early Reading Initiative at \$97 million, combining preschool and extended-day Kindergarten. Motion was amended that the amount be changed to \$20 million, with preschool options, extended-day Kindergarten, before- and after-school programs and summer school removed. Motion to amend passed. Amended motion passed.
- Motion was made that the Board approve the following in priority order:

Expectation

- \$65 million – full funding of growth
- \$60 million – 2.2 percent increase in value of WPU

Ongoing

- \$5 million – secondary math initiative
- \$20 million – early reading intervention
- \$2.1 million – USOE/Board staffing needs
- \$8 million – graduation initiative/school counselor
- \$2 million – student support and school climate
- \$5 million – targeted professional development
- \$1.5 million – concurrent enrollment initiative
- \$1.5 million – high cost special education students

One-time

- \$10 million – school improvement pilot programs
- \$20 million – 1 to 1 device initiative
- \$20 million - transportation
- \$5 million – Beverley Taylor Sorenson arts program
- \$5 million – teacher supplies

Motion was amended to increase the 1 to 1 device initiative to \$30 million. Motion to amend passed, with Member Pyfer opposed.

Amended motion passed, with Member Roberts absent.

- Motion to increase the percentage increase for the WPU to 2.7 percent passed, with Members Groom and Roberts absent.
- Motion to add \$450,000 for Educator Evaluation Implementation as the #3 priority under one-time passed, with Members Groom and Roberts absent.
- Motion to identify as a top priority legislation to implement the School Trust Investment Task Force recommendations passed, with Members Groom and Roberts absent.
- Motion to accept UPPAC recommendations in cases 12-1073, 10-950 and 12-1111 passed unanimously.
- R277-517 will be assigned to a committee to readdress the issue of only allowing suspension in a default situation.
- Motion to approve a \$225,000 loan to DaVinci Academy for Science & the Arts passed. The committee decreased the loan from \$264,200.
- Motion to send American Preparatory Academy's request for an amendment to its charter back to the State Charter School Board passed.
- Motion to approve Legacy Preparatory Academy's charter amendment passed.
- Motion passed to approve Lincoln Academy's charter amendment and waive R277-482 to allow for the addition of students this fall.
- Motion to approve and continue R277-494 *Charter School and Online Student Participation or Co-Curricular School Activities* passed.
- Board Bylaws [Members Groom and Roberts absent for all votes]
  - Section II passed as amended.
  - Section III passed as amended with the addition to the end of III-G to read, ". . . unless approved by a quorum of the Board."
  - Section IV passed as amended with the following changes:
    - Motion to delete section B-1a passed.
    - Motion to move sections B-3a, 3b, 3c and 3d to Policies and Procedures and reconsider at that point passed.

- Motion to change the second line of section B-5 to read “. . . personal financial interests . . .” and correct spelling errors passed.
  - Motion to delete B-6 failed, with Members Buswell, Castle, Johnson, Moss, Openshaw, and Thomas in favor, and Members Allen, Burningham, Corry, Jensen and Pyfer opposed.
  - Motion to accept B-6 failed, with Members Burningham, Corry, Jensen, and Pyfer in favor, and Members Allen, Buswell, Castle, Johnson, Moss, Openshaw and Thomas opposed.
  - Motion passed to change B-6 to: “If a Board member applies for a full-time position over which the Board presides, the Board member must recuse himself from deliberations and voting on the matter.”
- Section V passed as amended with a change in the second line of section C to insert “must” before “act.”
- Section VI passed as amended.
- Section VII passed as amended.
- Section VIII passed as amended with the following changes:
  - Motion passed to amend section B to read: “Agenda items may be added to the Board meeting agenda consistent with timelines established by the Board Executive Committee in consultation with the Board Secretary as follows:”; make original wording in B-E subsets of B.
- Section IX passed as amended.
- Section X passed as amended.
- Section XI passed as amended, with the additional amendment in section B-4c to replace “will be present” to “is expected.”
- Section XII – motion was made to amend the second line to read: “Bylaws (except those established in state law) may be changed/amended by a 2/3 vote of the voting Board members ~~present~~ at any regular Board meeting. . .” Motion failed, with Members Allen, Buswell, Castle, Corry, Jensen, Moss, and Pyfer in favor, and Members Crandall, Johnson, Openshaw, and Thomas opposed. Members Burningham, Groom, Roberts absent.