

MINUTES

September 5, 2003

Minutes of the meeting of the State Board of Education held September 5, 2003, at the Utah State Office of Education, Salt Lake City, Utah. Meeting commenced at 10:15 a.m. Chairman Kim R. Burningham presided.

Members present were:

Chairman Kim R. Burningham
Vice Chairman, Janet A. Cannon
Member Dixie Lee Allen
Member R. Michael Anderson
Member Linnea S. Barney
Member Tim Beagley
Member Laurel Brown
Member Edward A. Dalton
Member Greg W. Haws
Member David L. Moss
Member John C. Pingree
Member Jed H. Pitcher
Member Joyce W. Richards
Member Debra G. Roberts
Member Sara V. Sinclair
Member Teresa L. Theurer

Member Denis R. Morrill was excused.

Also present were:

Executive Officer Steven O. Laing
Associate Superintendent Patti Harrington
Associate Superintendent Patrick Ogden
Associate Superintendent Raymond Timothy
Executive Director, USOR, Blaine Petersen
Public Affairs Director Mark Peterson
Board Secretary Twila B. Affleck

Also present were:

Members of the Press:

Tiffany Erickson, Deseret Morning News
Stephen Speckman, Deseret Morning News
Amy K. Stewart, Standard Examiner
Chas Nelson, Logan High School
Susan Kuziak, Utah Education Association
Kaye Chatterton, Utah Education Association
Chad Harris, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget
Robert Muscheck, Citizen
Lee W. Robinson, Superintendent, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

Linda Rutledge, Assistant Superintendent, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

Board Member Greg W. Haws lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Vice Chairman Janet A. Cannon offered the reverence.

Twila B. Affleck recorded the minutes.

Chairman Burningham excused Member Denis R. Morrill.

Public Participation /Comments

None were requested.

Chairman Burningham commented that this coming month will be the busiest on record for Board Members with the public hearings and the Governor's Summits on "Performance Plus." These are of great importance to public education in the state. It is a time when we will face many challenges. There will be opposition to our proposal. There are many concerns, misunderstandings and disagreements.

He expressed his personal conviction that we are headed in the right direction. He stated that the proposal we are working on is a wonderful balance between insistence on competency and interventions to help. The process is good and we are getting the best input and help.

Chairman Burningham reported that he had presented the proposal at the Education Round Table in Oxford, England last month, and the people there were very excited about it, especially the people from Canada who already have something similar.

Chairman Burningham commented that we are experiencing a time of great public interest, of great demand for time on the part of board members. Our proposal is devised to help children, but it must be done correctly and we must hear all the comments and then make the best decisions. However, it takes a lot of determination from Board Members.

Chairman Burningham presented a general thought about the race to the moon. He shared comments from John F. Kennedy's speech at Rice University, September 12, 1962 relative to the race to the moon. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9127.) Chairman Burningham stated that he had made parallels to these comments and the determination that the Board should exhibit. He asked that the Board Members not be intimidated by naysayers – but work in the best interest of the children of Utah.

Chairman Burningham shared some of the details relative to the Governor's Summit meetings. He indicated that there will be five, the first of which is in Provo at the Marriott on Monday, September 8; Ogden Eccles Conference Center on Thursday, September 11. Then there will be three others beginning in Salt Lake City later in the month. He indicated that Board Members are invited to any and all of them. The agenda was distributed and reviewed for the Summits which are by invitation and include decision-makers, board members, legislators, educators, etc. (For complete details of the agenda for the Summits, see General Exhibit No. 9128.)

Member Mike Anderson reported on the public hearing in Alpine last evening. He indicated that the Community Council put this all together. It was a good evening and Patti Harrington did an excellent job in presenting as well as fielding the questions and comments. There were certain areas they would like to see changed and they would like to be involved in the process.

Member Debra Roberts reported that she has held four hearings and has one more scheduled. She expressed appreciation to the local people for their cooperation in setting up the hearings. She commented that when they come on board it is a positive experience. Member Roberts also reported that she met with educators before the hearings to let them know we are on their side, and this also made things more positive. Also, at some of the hearings legislators were present and this was a positive outcome of them giving their point of view.

Board Standing Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Member R. Michael Anderson, Chairman of the Finance Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

Charter School Revolving Loan Fund

R277-487

R277-487, Charter School Revolving Loan Fund formalizes the discussions the Finance Committee had dealing with a charter school revolving loan program. In order to expedite the loan process it has been requested that the Board pass this rule on an emergency basis as provided by state law for such contingencies. (For complete details of the rule, see General Exhibit No. 9129.)

The Committee approved R277-487, Charter School Revolving Loan Fund on first reading and moves that the State Board approve the rule on second and third reading for immediate implementation. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Overview

In preparation for submission of budget recommendations for FY 2005 to the Governor and the Legislature the Committee reviewed requests for new funding for FY 2005 budget requests. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9130.)

The Committee included the Performance Plus in the amount of \$203 million, plus the mandatory increases, i.e., enrollment growth, board and voted leeways, the total increase was \$279 million. The Committee discussed each individual component and then they tried to prioritize things needed in presenting the budget. The Committee informally agreed that we would present the budget in the same format as we have in prior years and separate Performance Plus from the presentation. The proposal would leave us with \$77 million that would compare to last year's \$115 million; of that over \$60 million are mandatory increases. This leaves us with five items that we are

specifically addressing which he and Associate Superintendent Ogden will work on for presentation next month. They are asking for the reinstatement of the dollars lost to adult education (\$2.5 million), quality teaching block grant (\$6.7 million); and capitol outlay (\$1 million). In addition, there are two other items, Electronic High School (\$200,000), and charter school specialist (\$100,000). Member Anderson indicated that a more final presentation will be made at the Board Meeting in October.

Member Anderson further reported that the Committee decided not to prioritize two items, which will be listed as mandatory: The Utah State Office of Rehabilitation and Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind.

Member Joyce Richards noted that all of the funding for the arts and music is still included in the budget.

Professional Staff Cost Formula, R277-486

There was not time to address this item and it will be carried over to October.

Curriculum Committee

Member Teresa L. Theurer, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

General Financial Literacy Requirement

Senate Bill 154 directs the Board to establish rigorous curriculum and graduation requirements that include instruction that stresses general financial literacy from basic budgeting to financial investments, including bankruptcy education.

The Applied Technology Education and Curriculum and Instruction Sections have been working jointly to develop the General Financial Literacy Core Curriculum course. The course will address financial knowledge and skills as well as attitudes and behaviors dealing with money matters.

This year the course is being piloted in nine high schools around the state: Box Elder, Kearns, Millcreek, Morgan, North Sevier, Provo, Tooele, Uintah and West.

The Committee received a report on the course development process including course content, committee members, pilot sites and time line. They also reviewed the stand-alone and integrated models. (For complete details of the proposed curriculum and process, see General Exhibit No. 9131.)

Assessment Supporting Performance Plus

The Performance Plus document approved by the Board in the August 2003 meeting, requires a K-12 assessment system that fulfills the requirements for U-PASS, S.B. 154, and NCLB.

The proposal includes (1) making psychometric changes to current CRT assessments that will enable them to be used for “progress-based” measures, including growth or gain scores; (2) modifying current reading diagnostic oversight; and (3) developing and providing support for the use of competency skill scoring guides for use throughout the K-12 system. These changes efficiently use existing assessments and also add tools to implement Performance

Plus. The budget associated with Performance Plus includes costs to implement this proposal. This proposal included graduation competency exit competency as a culmination of the assessment system, currently included in Performance Plus.

The proposal presented to the Committee was developed by a committee of educators including a classroom teacher, guidance counselor, school administrator, district curriculum specialist, district assessment specialist, and district superintendent. In addition, the committee had presentation from USOE staff from Special Education, ATE/Comprehensive Guidance, and Curriculum.

(For complete details of the proposal, see General Exhibit No. 9132.)

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
(USDB) Superintendent Annual Review

The Committee received a performance review of Lee Robinson, Superintendent of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind in an executive session. The Review was performed and presented by the USDB Institutional Council. The Committee will report to the full Board in Executive Session relative to the review.

Law and Policy Committee

Member David L. Moss, Chairman of the Law and Policy Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

High Objective Uniform Statewide Standard
of Evaluation (HOUSSE) for Utah Teachers

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) requires all teaching staff to be “highly qualified” (HQ) in HCLB core subjects. Teachers who are not new to the professional (veteran) may verify HQ status by NCLB major, testing, or the Utah High Objective Uniform Statewide Standard of Evaluation (HOUSSE). The HOUSSE proposal has been reviewed by a wide variety of audiences. All “veteran” teachers will be deemed to be Highly Qualified (HQ) during their current licensure period as long as they are appropriately credentialed and assigned. Each teacher will validate HQ status when his/her license is due for renewal. (For complete details of HOUSSE, see General Exhibit No. 9133.)

The Committee approved HOUSSE and moves that the State Board of Education adopt HOUSSE standards for early childhood, elementary, and secondary teachers who are not new to the profession. Motion carried unanimously.

Western Governors University Program
Proposal

Western Governors University has submitted three program proposals to EDAC (Educator Development Advisory Committee) for program approval. The proposed programs are as follows: (1) Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies, which would allow an individual to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree and a K-8 teaching certificate. (2) Master of Arts in Teaching, which would allow an individual to earn a Master of Arts degree and a K-8

teaching certificate. (3) Master of Arts in Mathematics Education, which would allow an individual to earn a masters degree that provides a K-6 mathematics speciality background, or a teaching endorsement in either K-8- or 9-12.

In the June 6th Board meeting the Law & Policy Committee reviewed the program approval process, recommended that EDAC continue to review WGU's proposals, and report back at the September Board meeting with the progress that has been made. They also recommended that if an agreement is not reached, an independent party be assigned to clarify the issues.

In the June 12th EDAC meeting, WGU presented more detail regarding their proposals. EDAC members have since visited WGU to evaluate their assessment materials, USOE specialists have been reviewing their course offerings, and an out of state consultant, Dr. Steve Lilly, Dean of the College of Education at California State University San Marcos, has reviewed their program proposals. EDAC will review all information at their September 4th meeting and have a recommendation for the Board. (For complete details of that recommendation, see General Exhibit No. 9134.)

EDAC voted to not make a recommendation for approval of the program proposals for WGU.

Member Moss reported that one of the earlier concerns was that the assessments had not been reviewed. Dr. Timothy and others have now reviewed them and this has been put to rest. Another concern was the field experience was further into the program than some were comfortable with. They have moved that closer to the beginning of the process. They have made some real strides in making changes.

Motion from the Committee to approve the three program proposals from Western Governor's University, with some minor housekeeping issues, absent a recommendation for approval from EDAC. Motion carried unanimously.

In the Committee Associate Superintendent Ray Timothy noted that the EDAC approval process is very cumbersome. There are a lot of things that EDAC members are required to do to make sure that the applicants are in line with NCATE Standards, etc. Motion from the Committee to authorize Dr. Timothy to approach EDAC and the Deans Counsel in finding ways to streamline this process, i.e. subgroups to do certain aspects of the work that is required of committee members, looking at an alternative licensing source other than just NCATE. This is intended to streamline the process, not to lower standards. Motion carried unanimously.

Discovery Charter School Request Approval
for Delay in Opening until the 2004-2005 School
Year

Discovery Charter School was approved by the State Board in its June meeting. The charter authorizes 60 students in grades 7-9 in the fall of 2003 with growth to 120 students in subsequent years. The Governing Board of Discovery Charter School seeks to amend its charter to delay opening until the 2004-2005 school year. Purposes for

the requested delay surround problems with securing appropriate facilities and are outlined in details in the background documentation. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9135.)

The Committee approved the request for Discovery Charter School to delay its opening to the 2004-2005 school year with an enrollment of between 85-120 students, and moves that the Board also approve the request. Further, Discovery Charter School will send a check to the Utah State Office of education for the full amount of any funds transferred to them in the July bank transfer and no more state funding will be sent to the school until FY 05. Also, when they secure a new facility they come back to the Board and report where they are with that. Motion carried unanimously.

Tracking of Coaching Qualifications

In January 2002 the Board passed R277-517 on Athletic Coaching Qualifications. One of the requirements is the tracking of coaching qualification information on whether coaches have completed the following: 1) Criminal background check; 2) Board approved Athletic Coaching Training; 3) Basic first aid and CPR training.

The Utah State Office of Education has developed a web site which districts use to input information concerning coaching qualifications. Individual schools enter basic information on their coaches. Utah High school Activities Association inputs information on a coaches successful completion of the ASEP Coaching Principles and By Laws courses. USOE training has been provided for each school and district designated individual assigned to enter the necessary data. The training has been completed, with online training available for individuals who were unable to attend the workshops. (For complete details of the report, see General Exhibit No. 9136.)

Member Moss noted that there will be a discussion at the next committee meeting as the best way to implement this.

Executive Session

Motion was made by Member R. Michael Anderson and seconded by Member Tim Beagley to move into an executive session during lunch for the purpose of discussing personnel issues and potential litigation. The Board was polled and by unanimous consent of those present the Board moved into an executive session during lunch at 12:10 p.m.

Motion was made by Member Laurel Brown and seconded by Vice Chairman Janet A. Cannon to reconvene into open meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened at 1:35 p.m.

Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission Recommendations

Motion was made by Member David L. Moss and seconded by Member Tim Beagley to adopt the Commission's recommendation in Case No. 03-642 and revoke the educator license, based upon default, of a former educator in Iron School District. This action is taken following the educator's possession of pornographic materials at school and use of school district computers to access pornography. The educator's home was contacted several times

by the UPPAC investigator. The educator did not return telephone calls or make contact with UPPAC, as requested. Motion carried with Members Allen, Anderson, Barney, Beagley, Brown, Cannon, Dalton, Haws, Moss, Richards, Roberts and Theurer voting in favor; Member Pingree absent.

Motion was made by Member David L. Moss and seconded by Member Tim Beagley to adopt the Commission's recommendation in Case No. 03-642 and revoke the educator license, based upon default, of a former educator in the Duchesne School District. This action is taken following the educators guilty plea to sexual abuse of a child, a second-degree felony. The child was not a Duchesne School District student. The educator did not respond to three separate UPPAC notices. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Member David L. Moss and seconded by Member Tim Beagley to adopt the Commission's recommendation and accept a stipulated agreement, including conditions of the agreement in Case No. 03-636 whereby an educator in Provo School District, voluntarily surrenders his educator license in lieu of a hearing for purposes of suspension of his license from the date of formal action by the State Board of Education. Upon submission to the Commission of successful completion of the terms of his 18-month court probation, the educator may petition for a hearing for consideration of reinstatement of his license. The suspension results from his guilty plea to two Class B misdemeanor theft charges. He took money earned by his students and diverted the money to his own use. Motion carried unanimously.

(For complete details of the Professional Practices Advisory Commission's Recommendations, see General Exhibit No. 9137.)

Advisory Committee Appointments

State Rehabilitation Council

Motion was made by Member Laurel Brown and seconded by Member Linnea S. Barney to appoint Deborah Burt, Karl Smith, Krystal Johnson and Richard Jewkes; and to reappoint Tericia Leavitt, Brian Small, and Hector Cando to the State Rehabilitation Council, terms to expire September 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities

Motion was made by Member Laurel Brown and seconded by Member Linnea S. Barney to appoint Amanda Dickson (9/07), Brian J. Small (9/07), Paul Kelsey (12/04), Marette Monson (10/05); and to reappoint Karla Padilla (10/05) to the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, terms noted in parentheses following their names. Motion carried unanimously.

Instructional Materials Commission

Motion was made by Member Laurel Brown and seconded by Member Linnea S. Barney to appoint Regina Howard and Crystal Luke to the Utah Instructional Materials Commission, terms to expire June 30, 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind Superintendent Evaluation

Member Teresa Theurer reported that the Curriculum Committee reviewed the evaluation of Superintendent Lee Robinson of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind prepared by the Institutional Council. We are pleased with Dr. Robinson's performance and commend him on the work he is doing at the school.

Executive Officer Report

Superintendent Steven O. Laing presented the following items of information:

Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee - Dr. Laing reported that as directed in SB 154 that was passed earlier this year, we were instructed to make a report of the Board's proposal to address competency measured education to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee. The report was made and they have submitted a report to the Governor for use in the Governor's Summits. He read an excerpt from minutes of the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee regarding Performance Plus.

"In compliance with Senate Bill 154, "Public Education Amendments," Section 23; as passed in the 2003 General Session of the Utah State Legislature; the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee has received the report, "Performance Plus: Tuning-Up Utah's Great Education Engine, along with the cost document, "Performance Plus - Investing in Educational Performance," copies of which are attached as an addendum to this report. The committee does not embrace nor reject the reports' recommendations as submitted by the Utah State Board of Education. However, if the recommendations were enacted, they could require funding in excess of \$200 million. It was noted that options for consideration include, but are not limited to: 1) revenue enhancements such as income tax, property tax, soda pop tax, and reduction or elimination of child tax credits; 2) prioritize the recommendations of the Utah State Board of Education, and/or phase them in; 3) reductions in spending elsewhere in the state budget; 4) reprioritize the existing public education budget to find if the implementation of the items in the report are of a higher priority than what funds are currently being expended on; or 5) repeal Senate Bill 154."

KOMU NBC Affiliate – Dr. Laing reported that on September 9, KOMU, NBC affiliate in Columbia, Missouri will be here to do a piece on education in Utah and how we do it for so little.

Pat Chlouber, Secretary of Education's Regional Representative sent a nice thank you note on her visit with the local superintendents. She also indicated that she plans on being at the Summit in Provo on Monday.

Jordan School District - Dr. Laing reported that he had received a letter from the Jordan School District in response to some comments made in one of their meetings. The letter is directed at Senator Stephenson. This has to do with comments about needing to redesign, reallocate and streamline education as opposed to just more money. They make the comment that "We agree with the State Board of Education that unless new revenues are found to implement the newly created accountability in education reform provisions of Senate Bill 154, they won't happen." They also go on to say that they feel that the State Board is in the position of having general control and supervision.

Governor's Summit and Performance Plus Public Hearings – Distributed a copy of an advertisement relative to the Governor's Summit and Performance Plus Public Hearings. This will be a quarter page ad and it will run on

Sunday, September 14, 2003. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9138.)

KSTU did a report yesterday morning about the Summit and the public hearings. USBA

Leadership Training – Dr. Laing reported that he and Chairman Burningham will be making presentations tomorrow on Performance Plus at the USBA Leadership Training.

Dr. Laing reported that Jordan School District has approved a charter school, Summit Academy.

Dr. Laing noted that when people say the Performance Plus proposal will devalue or take away from student's participation in the arts or the rest of the curriculum, he has done a comparison. The original requirements total 24, 9 of which were elective. The proposal, requires 18 minimum requirements, then we say the districts ought to have a total of 24 opportunities for students. That 24 protects a student's opportunity to take released time. If you look at it on the basis of what is required for the graduation requirements, 24 versus 18, we haven't eliminated any of the requirements in fine arts, applied technology, health, physical education. On a percentage basis, you are now requiring more in the arts than before.

Dr. Laing commented that we had a presentation earlier from Representatives Jones and Mascaro about some possibility of raising revenue through restructuring the tax deductions for dependents. Their latest proposal would raise about \$88 million. It is graduated so it affects families differently depending upon their income brackets. He suggested that at some point in time we may want to look at whether or not we would support this issue. At some point we would want to identify some means of supporting revenue enhancements to encourage our proposal along.

Board Chairman Report

Chairman Kim R. Burningham presented the following items of information:

Chairman Burningham reported that the issue of the Jones/Mascaro legislation is critical. He reminded the Board that it had taken a vote relative to Representative Jones' bill last year, but this has a lot of revisions. He distributed a copy of a summary of the key issues relative to the proposed legislation. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9139.)

Chairman Burningham commented that early on we said we would hold hearings in September and the Summits, and we would meet on October 21st to bring it to a conclusion. The Governor preferred the earlier date of October 14, but we felt we needed an extra week. The Governor has urged us to move to the earlier date. The Leadership Committee has discussed this and it is our recommendation that we change from the 21st to the 14th.

Chairman Burningham noted that there are other appointments scheduled on the 14th. He recommended for the following schedule for October 14:

8:30 a.m. meet with the Republican Leadership, hopefully followed by a meeting with the Democrats. A part of the Board would be meeting with these people at this time. At the same time the ad hoc committee would meet to review the input received from the Summits and Public Hearings and then the Board would all come together

following that in a regular Board meeting to deal with and finalize our recommendation on the Performance Plus Proposal.

NASBE Annual Meeting in Baltimore October 16, 17 and 18 - Chairman Burningham asked that if Board Members were planning to attend the Annual meeting to please let Twila know today. He also noted that on the General Consent Calendar were Policy Statement Positions from NASBE which the voting delegate will be voting on at that meeting. If anyone has any concerns with these they should make Vice Chairman Janet Cannon aware, as she has been named as our Voting Delegate.

Chairman Burningham indicated there had been an interest expressed by some Board Members to have a Communications Committee that might work to help communicate our message to the public.

Board Leadership is inclined at this point to appoint such a committee. The committee would not meet during regular committee time, but possibly prior to Board meeting. He indicated that membership of the committee was discussed by leadership, no conclusions have been drawn. If anyone is interested in serving on the committee please let him know prior to leaving the meeting today. A decision will be made in the next few days so the committee can become functioning immediately. Mark Peterson will be working with the committee.

Strategic Planning – Chairman Burningham indicated that strategic planning is a hard issue for the Board. We seek to update our plan, but we feel great frustration because we may plan to do something, but since we don't hold the purse strings it becomes difficult. He stated that at this moment we are consumed with the competency measure. However, once the summits and hearings are completed and we finalize the Performance Plus proposal, and the Governor comes out with his/her budget recommendations and the legislative session, we will be in a position to do a lot of rethinking about where we are going. We have concluded that we would re-examine our strategic plan about the first week of January. We are contemplating sometime prior to the legislature, possibly in connection with the Utah School Boards convention the second week in January.

Member Mike Anderson suggested that until the legislature completes their mandates for education it would seem more appropriate to meet after the legislative session rather than in January.

General Consent Calendar

Motion was made by Member John C. Pingree and seconded by Member Teresa L. Theurer to approve the General Consent Calendar as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting of the State Board of Education held August 1, 2003.

2. Contracts

The following Contracts were approved:

- (a) Payson LLC. \$133,973.86. 5/1/03-4/30/08 - Amend. - Fed.

To lease office space for the Division of Rehabilitation Services located at 914 East 100 North, Payson, Utah.

- (b) Department of Administrative Services DFCM. \$77,027. 7/1/2003-6/30/2004. - Amend.

To renew the Operating and Maintenance Agreement between DFCM and the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation, Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired, located at 250 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah.

- (c) A B Dick Co. \$5,827.12. 9/5/03-8/30/04.

Service on all presses and bindery equipment.

- (d) Utah Department of Health. \$132,368. 7/2/03-12/31/04 - RECEIVABLE - FED.

Provide technical assistance to trained BPAO specialists in order to increase employment among individuals with disabilities receiving Social Security and/or Medicaid benefits.

- (e) Department of Administrative Services DFCM. \$124,864. 7/1/03-6/30/04 - AMEND. - FED.

To renew the Operating and Maintenance Agreement between DFCM and the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation located at 1595 West 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

- (f) Utah State University. \$20,670. 8/30/03-2/29/04.

To conduct a study to determine the supply of, the demand for, the retention of, and the quality of preparation for educators in Utah's public school system.

- (g) Davis County Schools Warehouse. \$150,000. \$10/2/03-9/30/04 - Amend.

Warehousing of USDA Foods for Child Nutrition Programs

- (h) UW Freight Lines, Inc. \$300,000. 10/1/03-9/30/04 - Amend.

Transportation of USDA Commodities to recipient agencies statewide. Contract change: Contract is renewed for only 1 year with increased rates per the attached schedule of rates and fuel surcharge table. All other rates remain the same.

- (i) Utah Education Network. \$107,716. 7/1/03-6/30/04 - RECEIVABLE - AMEND.

Provide funds to cover the salary, benefits, and program budgets for one Educational Specialist - George Miller/EDNET.

(For complete details of the Contracts see General Exhibit No. 9140.)

3. Administrative Rule Review

Under provisions of 63-45a-9, U.C.A. 1953, all administrative rules shall be reviewed every five years.

There may be minor non-substantive changes within these rules. The following rule were reviewed and approved:

R277-460 Distribution of Substance Abuse Prevention Account

(For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9141.)

4. Negotiated Agreement Between the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Education Association and the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind 2003-2004

The Negotiated Agreement between the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Education Association, and the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind for 2003-2004 school year is attached under Tab D. The agreement has been endorsed by the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the blind Institutional Council and the USDB Education Association. The State Board of Education approved the Negotiated Agreement for the 2003-2004 school year. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9142.)

5. Monthly Budget Report

The Monthly Budget Report provides information to the Board in meeting its fiduciary responsibilities toward the Utah State Office of Education and the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9143.)

6. National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Proposed Changes to the Public Policy Positions (Resolutions)

The NASBE Public Policy Committee met in March 2003 to consider new Public Policy Positions (formerly known as Resolutions) for the organization. The results of the Committee's work were reviewed. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9144.)

There are two sections of items to consider. The first section includes three new policy positions: (1) Alignment of the P-16 Education System; (2) High Schools; and (3) Low-Performing Schools. The second section consists of proposed amendments made by the Committee to existing policy positions. These include: (1) School Trust Lands; (2) Federal Financing of Education; and (3) Violence and Its Impact on Schools and Learning.

The Board approved the proposed changes. The Voting Delegate from Utah at the NASBE Annual meeting in October will be able to vote on the proposed changes.

7. Ratification of Employment

Jean Hill was ratified as an Educational Specialist, Law, Legislation and Education Services Division.

Kevin King was ratified as an Educational Specialist, Assessment & Evaluation in the Student Achievement and School Success Division.

8. List of Applicants for Licenses

The list of applicants for initial and renewal licenses were approved by the Board. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9145.)

9. Claims Report

The Claims Reports for June 30, 2003 in the amount of \$53,325,574.95 and July 31, 2003 in the amount of \$158,838,576.07 were approved. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 9146.)

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.