

**UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

June 19, 2015

Board Members Present: Chair David Crandall, First Vice Chair David Thomas, Second Vice Chair Jennifer Johnson, and Members Dixie Allen, Laura Belnap, Leslie Castle, Barbara Corry, Brittney Cummins (by phone), Linda Hansen, Mark Huntsman, Jefferson Moss, Spencer Stokes, Terryl Warner, Joel Wright

All votes were unanimous unless noted otherwise.

- The Board approved the General Consent Calendar with the exception of Item G, R277-410 *Accreditation of Schools*.
- The Board approved the appointments of the following:
 - Darin Brush, Utah State Office of Rehabilitation Executive Director.
 - Steve Winn, USOR Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired Director.
 - Richard Nye, Utah State Office of Education Associate Superintendent.
 - Scott Jones, Utah State Office of Education Associate Superintendent.
 - Angela Stallings, Utah State Office of Education Associate Superintendent.
- The Board approved a one-year extension of a contract with Roads to Independence with stipulations.
- The Board approved the repeal/reenact of rule R277-116 *Internal Audit*.
- The Board directed the Utah State Office of Education (USOE) School Finance staff to use the Minimum School Fund to cover the charter enrollment variance between what has been estimated and updated enrollment figures, and to notify the Board when this occurs.
- The Board authorized USOE School Finance staff to determine a payment methodology to provide K-12 local replacement and administrative cost funding in proportion to what they would have received for the first four months of the year without adjusting projections statewide for the following schools: Athenian eAcademy, Hawthorn Academy, Mana Academy, Summit Academy, Syracuse Arts Academy, Terra Academy, Utah International School, and Utah Military Academy; and in addition, to provide information to all LEAs that this is a one-time authorization and that the Board will develop a policy in future months. Chair Crandall abstained.
- The Board directed staff, in order to comply with the contracts between the State Charter School Board and charters, to fund up to the enrollment cap plus five students, and come back with recommendations of how to handle those students above the cap.

- The Board appointed Von Hortin as its alternate representative to taxing entity committees.
- The Board approved forwarding a recommendation to the legislature that the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation (USOR) not stay under the State Board of Education, that the USOR is not best served by a Board that is primarily elected to serve another entity, but that the Board will continue to fully support USOR while a decision is being finalized. Member Hansen opposed.
- The Board approved forwarding a recommendation to the legislature that a task force be formed to study where the USOR should be placed, and include a transition plan.
- The Board approved the staff recommendation to net a combination of some available state funds in the discretionary fund, the remaining building sale proceeds, and the MGT audit and studies to cover the expense of \$957,893.27 that requires offset.
- The Board approved requesting one-time supplemental funds from the legislature, should a special session be called, for hiring three managerial accounting staff, hiring a team to resolve the Indirect Cost Pool issue, hiring a federal grant specialist, for facilitating the conversion to FINET and migration to an enterprise accounting system, and for automation of the Minimum School Program.
- The Board approved the Fiscal Year 2016 budgets for the Utah State Office of Education, Utah State Office of Rehabilitation, and Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.
- The Board approved R277-700 *The Elementary and Secondary School Core Curriculum*, as amended, on second and third reading, and directed that the rule be filed with Administrative Rules.
- The Board approved new rule R277-099 *Definitions for Utah State Board of Education (Board) Rules* on second and third reading, and directed that the rule be filed with Administrative Rules.
- The Board repealed and reenacted rule R277-477 *Distribution of Funds from the Interest and Dividend Account and Administration of the School LAND Trust Program* on second reading.
- The Board repealed and reenacted rule R277-491 *School Community Councils* on second reading.
- The Board approved amendments to and continuation of rule R277-602 *Special Needs Scholarship – Funding and Procedures* on second reading.
- The Board approved new rule R277-606 *Public School Student Dropout Recovery* on second reading.
- The Board approved changes to Section III Membership of its Bylaws.
- The Board approved an amendment to the charter of Guadalupe School to add twenty students beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.
- The Board approved an amendment to the charter of Freedom Preparatory Academy to add eighty students beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.

- The Board approved reimbursement for five days for special educator stipends under the Extended Year for Special Educator program.
- The Board approved amendments to R277-497 *School Grading Systems* on second reading.
- The Board approved the minimum guidelines/standards for child sexual abuse prevention curriculum.
- The Board approved a waiver of the 180-day requirement in rule R277-419 *Pupil Accounting* for Grouse Creek Elementary School in order for the school to go on a four-day school week.
- The Board approved amendments to R277-406 *Reading Improvement Program and the State Reading Goal* on second reading.
- The Board approved the Interventions for Reading Difficulties pilot program.
- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-498 *Grant for Math Teaching* on second reading.
- The Board approved continuation of R277-444 *Distribution of Funds to Arts and Science Organizations*.
- The Board approved new formatting for the core standards.
- A motion for the Board to approve the State Superintendent signing a letter of support for congress to designate governors as key partners in public education failed, with Members Allen, Belnap, Corry, Hansen, Moss, Stokes, and Warner in favor, and Members Castle, Cummins, Crandall, Huntsman, Johnson, Thomas and Wright opposed.
- The Board appointed the following to the Division of Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Advisory Council for terms July 2015 through June 2018: Taylor Call as a service provider representative; Michelle Tanner, Curt Radford, Justin Howell, Julie McCleave, Sarah Thompson, Amy Hardy, Leon Curtis, Michael Tyler, Stephen Ehrlich, and Charla Dolan as consumer representatives.
- The Board appointed the following to the State Instructional Materials Commission: Steve Hirase - District Superintendent representative; Parker Fawson - Dean of Education representative.
- The Board appointed the following to the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities for terms from the date of appointment to January 2017: Joseph Miner, representing business advocates—medical; Philip Fite, representing business advocates—job training or placement; Chad Spencer and Dylan McDonnell, representing business advocates—job training or placement/state agency; John Blair, representing business advocates—training and education/Business Employer Team; and Pola Morrision, representing business advocates—training and education.
- The Board appointed Amelia Ann Williams, representing certified professional-level interpreters for the deaf, to the Interpreters Certification Board for a term from date of appointment to June 2018.

- The Board appointed the following to the State Rehabilitation Council for terms from date of appointment to September 2018 (with the exception of Helen Post): Helen Post, representing Parent Training and Information Center, for a term from date of appointment to September 2017; Deja Powell, representing the Division of Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired; Sharon Brand and Amy Powell, representing business, industry and labor; and Kenneth Gourdin, representing persons with a disability.
- The Board appointed to the School Safety and Crisis Line Commission Lillian Tsosie-Jensen, representing the Utah public education system.
- The Board approved rule R277-410 *Accreditation of Schools*, as amended, on third and final reading.