

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

September 18, 2015

**Board Members Present:** Chair David Crandall, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair David Thomas, 2nd Vice Chair Jennifer Johnson, Members Dixie Allen, Laura Belnap, Leslie Castle, Barbara Corry, Brittney Cummins, Linda Hansen, Mark Huntsman, Stan Lockhart, Jefferson Moss, Spencer Stokes, Terry Warner, Joel Wright

All votes were unanimous unless noted otherwise. Board rules can be accessed at <http://schools.utah.gov/law/Administrative-Rules.aspx>.

- The Board approved the appointments of Carolyn Lasater as the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Associate Superintendent for the Blind, and Michelle Tanner as the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Associate Superintendent for the Deaf.
- The General Consent Calendar was approved with item C—R277-207 *Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) Disciplinary Presumptions* and item F—R277-920 *Implementation of the School Turnaround and Leadership Development Act* removed.
- The Board approved R277-920 *Implementation of the School Turnaround and Leadership Development Act* on third and final reading.
- The Board directed that R277-207 *Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) Disciplinary Presumptions* be sent back to the Law and Licensing Committee for further revision.
- The Board approved the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation Agency Plan.
- The Board approved grants from the Visually Impaired Trust Fund for the following:
  - Braille Resource and Literacy Center - \$744
  - NFB, Braille Enrichment through Literacy and Training - \$744
  - Red Rock Center for Independence - \$744
  - OAB, Transportation Service - \$744
  - UCB - \$3,723
- The Board prioritized the following SFY 17 budget requests for ongoing funding:
  - Expectation - full funding for growth
  - Expectation - WPU increase (1.5 percent)
  - #1 - Risk Mitigation FTE Increases/UCA/IDEA license - \$730,000
  - #2 - School Finance/Internal Audit (one-time funds to ongoing) - \$605,000
  - #3 – Optional Extended-day Kindergarten (OEK) - \$10,000,000
  - #4 – Technology grant program - \$70,000,000
  - #5 – Special Education (Add on WPU value, Intensive Services Fund, Carson Smith Scholarship) - \$15,398,871
  - #6 – Internal staffing (Board attorney; Internal Audit secretary; Student Services Section; contract attorney) - \$415,000
  - #7 – Professional development grants - \$31,000,000

#8 – Other (USBE LIS FTE; Data and Statistics salary increase; School Finance salary increase; Special Ed Financial Manager; Teaching and Learning funding increase; Internal Audit increase; Assessment Program Manager; IT salary increase; IT software renewals; IT FTE; IT media equip; Public Relations) - \$1,565,200

- The Board prioritized the following SFY 17 budget requests for one-time funding:
  - #1 – Enterprise accounting system - \$30,000,000
  - #2 – Technology grant program - \$30,000,000
  - #3 – Building feasibility study - \$1,000,000
- The Board prioritized the following SFY 17 budget requests for ongoing funds for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind:
  - Expected – Teacher steps and lanes - \$460,000
  - #1 – Compensation increase - \$300,000
  - #2 – USIMAC sustainability - \$600,000
- The Board prioritized the following SFY 17 budget requests for ongoing funds for the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation:
  - #1 – Increased facility expense - \$60,000
  - #2 – Compliance officer/policy officer (2 FTE) - \$280,000
  - #3 – Independent Living Center services - \$300,000
  - #4 – Older blind specialist and care and travel instructor (2 FTE) - \$225,000
  - #5 – Hard of hearing rural outreach - \$50,000
  - #6 – Independent Living assistive technology - \$200,000
  - #7 – Direct client services - \$1,500,000
- The Board approved requesting that any discrepancy between the Board’s request and the Uniform School Fund (above what is estimated) be added into the WPU on top of the Board’s requested CPI increase.
- The Board prioritized the following SFY 17 budget requests for one-time funding for the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation:
  - #1 – Independent Living assistive technology - \$500,000
  - #2 – Blind business opportunity - \$240,000
  - #3 – Interpreter filming certification - \$60,000
  - #4 – Public relations - \$30,000
- The Board approved the following SFY 17 budget request for one-time funding for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.
  - #1 – Upgrade USDB cottages and STEP building - \$320,000
- The Board approved the release of the following audits: *Audit Brief 15-11—Review of the Monthly Budget Report and Discretionary Funds Report; Audit Brief 15-12—Utah State Board’s Office of Education State Fleet Report; Report No. 2015-01—Review of USOE and USOR Accrual Process, Fiscal Year 2014.*
- The Board approved the Internal Audit Charter.
- The Board approved the Internal Audit revised budget for SFY 16.

- The Board approved R277-444 *Distribution of Money to Arts and Science Organizations*, as amended, on third and final reading.
- The Board approved releasing the Elementary Mathematics Draft Standards, with changes proposed by the Standards and Assessment Committee, for a 90-day public review.
- The Board approved the Secondary Math Steering Committee moving forward to finalize the Secondary Mathematics Standards revisions based on the public feedback and recommendations from the Standards and Assessment Committee, including an executive summary outlining the changes from the current standards to the new standards.
- The Board approved the Elementary Library Media Standards as revised.
- The Board approved on second reading R277-404 *Requirements for Assessments of Student Achievement*, as amended, and approved the 2015-16 Parental Exclusion from State Assessment Form.
- The Board approved R277-921 *Strengthening College and Career Readiness Pilot Program*, as amended, on second reading.
- The Board approved the charter for new school Athlos Academy of Utah to open in the 2016-17 school year, with Members Allen, Corry, Cummins, Crandall, Hansen, Johnson, Lockhart, Stokes, and Thomas in favor, and Members Belnap, Castle, Huntsman, Moss, and Warner opposed; Member Wright abstained.
- The Board approved R277-533 *District Educator Evaluation Systems*, as amended, on third and final reading.
- The Board directed staff to prepare an amendment to the Board Bylaws to establish policymaking procedures.
- The Board approved R277-100 *Rulemaking Policy*, as amended, on third and final reading.
- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-611 *Certified Volunteer Instructors and Material Approval Requirements and Process for Firearm Safety in the Public Schools* on second reading.
- The Board approved on third and final reading R280-203 *Certification Requirements for Interpreters/Transliterators for the Hearing Impaired*, and approved the Policy and Procedures Governing the Certification of Interpreters and Transliterators.
- The Board approved the Least Restrictive Behavior Interventions (LRBI) Technical Assistance Manual.
- The Board approved R277-477 *Distribution of Funds from the Interest and Dividends Account and Administration of the School LAND Trust Program*, as amended, on second reading.
- The Board approved R277-606 *Public School Student Dropout Recovery* on third and final reading, with the direction that the rule be brought back to a future meeting to discuss additional amendments.
- The Board approved R277-438 *Dual Enrollment*, as amended, on second reading.

- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-494 *Charter School and Online Student Participation in Extracurricular or Co-curricular School Activities* on second reading.
- The Board directed its representative to vote with the school district on the Taxing Entity Committee to the Community Development and Renewal Agency of the City Washington Terrace for the Southeast Urban Renewal Project Area Plan extension, with Members Allen, Belnap, Castle, Corry, Crandall, Cummins, Hansen, Huntsman, Lockhart, Stokes and Thomas in favor, and Members Johnson, Moss and Wright opposed.
- The Board approved the use of carryover funds as requested for SFY 16, with the removal of the National Repository on Online Courses and the addition of the UCA Grant for School Finance.
- The Board approved designating \$16,000 carryover funds for the use of the Internal Audit Department.
- The Board approved designating \$100,000 discretionary funds for the use of the State Superintendent.
- The Board appointed Randy Beddes to the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities.