

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

May 7, 2020

A regular meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held May 7, 2020. The meeting was held electronically via videoconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was streamed live to the public. Chair Mark Huntsman presided.

Members Present:

Chair Mark Huntsman
Vice Chair Brittney Cummins
Member Laura Belnap
Member Michelle Boulter
Member Janet A. Cannon
Member Cindy Davis
Member Jennie Earl
Member Jennifer Graviet

Member Scott L. Hansen
Member Mike Haynes
Member Carol Barlow Lear
Member Mark R. Marsh
Member Scott B. Neilson
Member Shawn E. Newell
Member Laurieann Thorpe

Executive Staff Present:

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent
Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent

Minutes taken by:

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

Others Present:

Michelle Beus, Bryan Quesenberry—Assistant Attorneys General; Jennifer Lambert—State Charter School Board; Meagan Dommer; Sophia Parsons; Owen Hughes; Sydney Ward; Linda Chadburn; Deborah Jacobson, Sarah Young, Alex Farrah, Jerry Record, Ben Rasmussen, Cuong Nguyen, Darin Nielsen, Debbie Davis, Jeff Van Hulten, Joel Marquez, Krista Edwards, Leah Voorhies, Robert Austin, Tanya Semerad, Neil Stevens, Whitney Phillips, Syd Young, Sara Wiebke, Patrick Lee, BettySue Hinkson, Audra Urie, Jennifer Thronsdon, Leah Voorhies, Erika Thomas, Jamie Robinson, Jessica Smith—USBE staff

Opening Business

Chair Mark Huntsman called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Board Member Message

Member Carol Lear welcomed the Board with a message about integrity.

Education Highlights

Cuong Nguyen informed the Board about the “Do the Write Thing Challenge,” a writing program for 8th graders intended to help end youth violence. This year’s winners were Caleb Buck and Sophia Parsons. Deputy Superintendent Patty Norman read an excerpt from both students’ essays. Sophia spoke to the Board about her experience in writing her essay and thanked her teacher for her great support.

Jeffrey Van Hulten, Public Affairs Director, introduced the two winners from Utah of the 2020 Prudential Spirit of Community Award, Owen Hughes and Sydney Ward. Sydney held a mock election before the 2016 election and founded Project 320 in 2019 to encourage young people to get involved in the political process. Owen converted a library at a transitional housing facility for veterans into a game room, collected games and instruments for the library, and organized game nights. The students spoke to the Board about their projects.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

Monthly USDB Budget Report

Carl Empey, USDB Finance Director, provided the budget report for the month ending March 31. He reported that USDB is fiscally and financially solvent.

Mr. Empey reported that trips for students that were to be funded by the land grant enrichment fund have been cancelled. He also indicated that summer camps are on hold due to the coronavirus pandemic. It is anticipated there will be \$123,000 in unspent funds in the enrichment fund at the end of this fiscal year.

FY21 Enrichment Fund

Mr. Empey presented the proposed project list to be funded by the enrichment fund in fiscal year 2021.

MOTION was made by Member Cummins and seconded that the Board approve the USDB FY21 Enrichment Fund project list.

Motion carried unanimously; Member Neilson absent.

USDB Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Joel Coleman reported on the following:

- Staff are keeping in close communication with USDB teachers and others serving USDB students. The majority of the students are doing well considering the circumstances, and teachers connect with them every day.
- Susan Patton, the newly-appointed Superintendent for the Blind, was introduced.
- USDB staff is working with the Legislative Fiscal Analyst's office to submit proposals for budget reductions for FY21.
- A student graduation ceremony will be held on June 4 with appropriate social distancing observed. There will be fifteen students graduating.
- Superintendent Coleman acknowledged Associate Superintendent Carolyn Lasater, who will be retiring at the end of June.

General Consent Calendar

At the request of Board members, item 3.3—Requests for Temporary Authorizations and item 3.6—Basic Civics Test Waivers, were pulled from the Consent Calendar.

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded that the Board approve the General Consent Calendar, as amended.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Consent Calendar

3.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the Board's April 16, 2020 meeting were approved.

3.2 Approval of Contracts/Agreements

The Board approved contracts and agreements over \$100,000 with the following entities: SHI International; University of Wisconsin-Madison's Wisconsin Center for Education Research (WCER).

3.3 Requests for Temporary Authorizations

This item was pulled.

3.4 Board Policy 2001, Board Member Compensation

The Board approved Board Policy 2001, Draft 1.

3.5 Competency-based Education Grant Awards

The Board approved awarding Competency-based Education planning grants to Alpine School District--\$100,000; Spectrum Academy--\$56,000; and Weber School District--\$100,000.

3.6 Basic Civics Test Waivers

This item was pulled.

3.7 IDEA Annual Grant Application Submission

The application for the IDEA Annual Grant was provided for Board information, following a sixty-day period for public comment.

3.8 Contracts/Agreements for Review

Contracts and agreements under \$100,000, for approval by the Superintendent, were provided for Board information.

Temporary Authorizations for Educator Licenses

Clarification was provided that for the categories listed, the new licensing system will go into effect July 1. Future reports will show professional level, associate level and LEA-specific licenses and endorsements.

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded that the Board approve the temporary authorizations for educator licenses, as requested.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Basic Civics Test Waivers

Board members acknowledged that, under the current circumstances, waivers of the Basic Civics Test are needed in some situations, particularly where there have been access issues. However, they observed that some of the reasons submitted seem to go beyond access issues and expressed concern that it may become an expectation for the future.

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded that the Board approve the waivers of the Basic Civics Test, as requested.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Monthly Budget Report

Deborah Jacobson, Finance Director, provided the budget report for the month ending March 31, 2020. She stated that USB E continues to be able to cover all current or future obligations and there are no financial concerns.

Ms. Jacobson reported that the FY21 budget priorities are on hold, given the current circumstances.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Sydnee Dickson discussed moving education forward, in light of the situation created as a result of the pandemic, in three phases: 1) Address the Essential 5; 2) Summer Bridge of Learning Gaps; and 3) Return and Recover. Staff are mindful of creating equitable conditions for success to ensure students can succeed academically, emotionally, and socially and have been gathering information from the field to develop models. Details were provided in the presentation, Moving Forward Together.

Dr. Dickson reported that staff sent in the application for the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding on Monday and received word on Wednesday that Utah was approved. The money can be used for COVID-19 related expenses beginning March 31. Approximately \$68 million will go out to LEAs in a formula; in addition, ten percent can be set aside for administration and to assist with filling gaps. Superintendent

Dickson reported that staff conducted a survey prior to submitting the application, which helped to determine the largest needs.

The Superintendent informed that the Governor will also receive some funding for K-16 needs, and the Governor's Office is working closely with Board staff, looking at the survey results and funding formulas.

Dr. Dickson shared the sober news that budget cuts are coming and there will be no new money for fiscal year 2021. Budget cuts of two, five, and ten percent will be considered, and the Board will need to make recommendations for the cuts to the Legislature. Additional meetings of the Board have been scheduled on May 14, May 21 and May 28 to address the needs.

In closing, Superintendent Dickson acknowledged that this is Teacher Appreciation Week. Board members shared their appreciation for teachers by highlighting a teacher that made a difference in their lives.

Waivers to Board Rule

Deputy Superintendent Angie Stallings reviewed waivers to Board rule proposed by staff.

MOTION was made by Member Cummins and seconded that in light of the national and state declarations of states of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in addition to the waivers approved by the Board on March 19, April 2, and April 16, 2020 the State Board of Education:

- 1) for the 2019-20 school year, waives the reporting requirements in rule R277-406, which require an LEA to report the LEA's progress toward early literacy goals to the Superintendent by June 30, 2020;
- 2) for a school in the school's first year of operation during the 2019-20 school year, waives the requirement in Section R277-410-3 for a new school to obtain accreditation from a regional accrediting body in the school's first year for an additional year to allow the new school an additional year to obtain accreditation;

- 3) for a student enrolled in a school in the school's first year of operation during the 2019-20 school year, waives the requirements of Subsection R277-410-3(2) and deems credit granted from a non-accredited school during the 2019-20 school year as credit earned from an accredited source;
- 4) for a student who graduates between January 1 and October 1, 2020, waives the requirements of rule R277-746 and the Utah Driver Handbook, which allows a student to complete driver education with a public school until the student's official graduation date, to allow a student who graduates between January 1 and October 1, 2020 to complete a driver education course with a public school through the end of December 31, 2020; and
- 5) extends the May 1 deadline in Section R277-602-3 for a parent of a student participating in the Carson Smith Scholarship Program (Program) to indicate the student's continued enrollment in the Program from May 1 to June 15, 2020.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Audit Committee Report

Audit Committee Chair Brittney Cummins reported on the April Audit Committee meeting.

Internal Audit Plan Update

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve an internal audit of PROSTART to be added to the Audit Plan after the Use of Funds Audit and before the Subrecipient Monitoring Audit.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Finance Committee Report

Committee Chair Laura Belnap reported on items from the April 17, 2020 meeting. [Information on items not reported will be included in the exhibits to the Board meeting minutes.]

Utah Schools Information Management System (USIMS) Program

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve that modifications to and/or programming of legacy systems cease unless required by law or USB E rule to ensure maximum focus on and resources to the USIMS project.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Common Education Data Standards (CED S) Data Elements

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve implementation and use of specific data elements [as presented] to ensure compliance for federal and state reporting.

Motion carried, with Member Earl opposed; Member Neilson absent.

R277-419 Pupil Accounting

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-419 *Pupil Accounting*, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

MOTION to amend was made by Member Belnap and seconded that Draft 2 be replaced with Draft 3.

Member Belnap informed that lines 411 and 412 were added to Draft 3 upon the recommendation of staff to address questions that came in after the meeting from local education agencies (LEAs).

Motion to amend carried.

Motion, as amended, carried; Member Neilson absent.

Final Action on State Special Education Amount Owed by AISU

In a previous meeting, the Board fenced a portion of the State Charter School Board (SCSB) budget within the overall USB E budget to meet financial obligations related to findings with American International School of Utah (AISU). Through the administrative and legal processes, the federal amount owed has been satisfied and the remaining amount owed for state special education funds is \$125,000.

MOTION from Committee the Board approve reducing the set aside balance from the SCSB budget from \$425,689.28 to \$125,000 and have the SCSB provide recommendations on how to settle that balance.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

Law and Licensing Committee Report

Committee Chair Carol Lear reported on items from the April 17, 2020 committee meeting. [Information on items not reported will be included in the exhibits to the Board meeting minutes.]

Garfield School District Request for Waiver

The Committee reviewed a request from the Garfield School District Board for a waiver from Board rule in order for Boulder Elementary to go on a four-day-week school schedule.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve the waiver request from the 180-day requirement in R277-419-4 *Pupil Accounting* for Boulder Elementary, Garfield School District.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

State Charter School Board Charter Approval Process

Board rule R277-552 requires a charter school authorizer to submit a process to the Board for approval of a new charter school, charter school expansion, replication school, or satellite school. The Committee reviewed the processes submitted by the State Charter School Board.

MOTION from Committee that: 1) in accordance with R277-522, the Board approve the State Charter School Board's new school/new LEA process with the condition that the SCSB update the process document for consistency in format and readability, including aligning the narrative and language in other portions of the process document to explain the abbreviated steps and provide more detail; 2) the Board deny the SCSB's processes for new schools that are satellite or replication schools and for expansion requests; and request the processes provide evidence that demonstrates the requesting charter school satisfies federal and state laws,

regulations, and Board rules as required in subsection R277-552(2); and 3) in accordance with R277-553, the Board approve the SCSB's remediation process.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

R277-101 Public Participation in Utah State Board of Education Meetings

The Board passed amendments to R277-101 during its March meeting on an emergency basis to establish guidelines for electronic meetings in accordance with state law. The Board must enact changes through the regular rulemaking process within 120 days to make the amendments permanent.

The Committee approved Draft 1 of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-101 *Public Participation in Utah State Board of Education Meetings*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Member Neilson absent.

R277-301 Educator Licensing

Updates to R277-301 were made to respond to stakeholder feedback and to correspond with the rules on eminence and new teacher induction. The Committee made additional changes and approved Draft 2, as amended, on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-301 *Educator Licensing*, Draft 3, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-302 License Renewal

In response to committee direction and stakeholder input, amendments to R277-302 were made in Draft 4 of the rule. The Committee approved Draft 4 on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-302 *License Renewal*, Draft 4, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-500 Educator Licensing Renewal, Timelines, and Required Fingerprint Background Checks

It was reported that the rule requirements in R277-500 will be incorporated into new Board rule R277-302. The Committee approved repeal of R277-500 on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board repeal R277-500 *Educator Licensing Renewal, Timelines, and Required Fingerprint Background Checks* on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-306 Educator Preparation Programs for School Psychologists, Audiologists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Speech-Language Technicians, and Counselors

R277-306 was amended to update the requirements for approval of a school counselor preparation program. The Committee approved Draft 1 of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-306 *Educator Preparation Programs for School Psychologists, Audiologists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Speech-Language Technicians, and Counselors*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-309 Appropriate Licensing of Teachers

Amendments to R277-309 were proposed to the Committee to move two sections to R277-301 and update definitions. The Committee approved Draft 1 of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-309 *Appropriate Licensing of Teachers*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-603 Autism Awareness Restricted Account Distribution

An amendment to R277-603 was made to update the announcement of the availability of funds. The Committee approved Draft 1 of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-603 *Autism Awareness Restricted Account Distribution*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-490 Beverley Taylor Sorenson Elementary Arts Learning Program (BTSALP)

Amendments to R277-490 were proposed to update terminology and conform the rule to changes in the licensing structure. The Committee approved Draft 1 on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-490 *Beverley Taylor Sorenson Elementary Arts Learning Program (BTSALP)*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-318 Teacher Salary Supplement Program

As a result of H.B. 141 Educator Salary Incentive Program Amendments passed in the 2020 Legislative Session, R277-318 was amended to update the application deadline and make a technical change regarding funds distribution. The Committee approved Draft 2 of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-318 *Teacher Salary Supplement Program*, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

Standards and Assessment Committee Report

Committee Chair Jennifer Graviet reported on items from the April 17, 2020 committee meeting. [Information on items not reported will be included in the exhibits to the Board meeting minutes.]

Maturation Parental Consent Form

Parental consent is required prior to instruction on maturation. Staff presented to the Committee a parental consent form for secondary maturation classes. The Committee made changes to Draft 1 of the form.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve the Maturation Parental Consent Form, Draft 2.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

Assessment and Accountability Policy Advisory Committee (AAPAC) and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Recommendations

The Board's AAPAC advisory committee met in February to review current assessment and accountability policies, business rules and pending test administrations and have provided recommendations for changes. The TAC advisory committee also met and have provided a recommendation related to the November 2019 audit, *A Performance Audit of Public Education Assessment Data*, conducted by the Office of the Legislative Auditor General.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve the recommendations of the Assessment and Accountability Policy Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

6-12 Computer Science Standards

In October 2018, the Utah State Board of Education approved the Utah K-12 Computer Science Framework, providing a scope and sequence of key skills for computer science education for Utah students. A writing team for the 6-12 Computer Science Standards was organized in September 2019. A thirty-day public comment period on the standards took place in January/February 2020, and public feedback has been incorporated.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve the 6-12 Computer Science Standards, Draft 1.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-326 Professional Development Grant Program

R277-326 was created as a result of H.B. 144 Early Learning Training and Assessment Amendments passed in the 2020 General Session. The Committee approved Draft 1 on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-326 *Professional Development Grant Program*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried, with Members Boulter and Earl opposed; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-406 Early Literacy Program and Benchmark Reading Assessment

As a result of H.B. 114 Early Learning Training and Assessment Amendments passed in the 2020 General Session, amendments to R277-406 were proposed. The Committee made additional changes and approved Draft 1, as amended, on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-406 *Early Literacy Program and Benchmark Reading Assessment*, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

Motion carried, with Members Boulter and Earl opposed; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-327 School Leadership Development

As a result of S.B. 99 School Leadership Development Amendments passed in the 2020 General Session, amendments to new rule R277-327 were proposed. The committee approved Draft 1 on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-327 *School Leadership Development*, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-476 Civics Engagement Pilot Program

As a result of H.B. 334 Civics Engagement Pilot Program passed in the 2020 General Session, amendments to R277-476 were proposed in Draft 2. The Committee made additional changes and approved Draft 2, as amended, on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-476 *Civics Engagement Pilot Program*, Draft 3, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

Instructional Materials for Implementation of Human Trafficking Prevention and Awareness Requirements for Parents/Guardians

Statute requires the Board to approve instructional materials for child sexual abuse and human trafficking prevention for LEA use. The Committee reviewed material from two entities requesting to become providers of such materials.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve 3Strands Global Foundation and Refugee & Immigrant Center Asian Association of Utah as providers for human trafficking prevention and awareness instructional materials for parents/guardians.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (C-STAG)

Statute directs the Board, in conjunction with the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health and the Department of Public Safety, to provide training in school safety that includes an evidence-based approach in identifying an individual who may pose a threat to the school community and to make available a critical incident response training that includes protocols for conducting threat assessments.

The Committee reviewed C-STAG, an evidence-based and comprehensive school threat assessment.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve C-STAG as the evidence-based threat assessment.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

USEAP Recommendations Concerning Social Emotional Learning

The Utah Special Education Advisory Panel forwarded recommendations concerning social emotion learning and students with disabilities to the Board.

MOTION from Committee that the Board accept the recommendations in the memo from USEAP, *Social Emotional Learning and Students with Disabilities*.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

R277-489 Kindergarten Entry and Exit Assessment – Early Intervention Program

As a result of H.B. 99 passed in the 2020 General Session, updates to R277-489 are required. The Committee approved Draft 2 of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board approve R277-489 *Kindergarten Entry and Exit Assessment – Early Intervention Program*, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

Motion carried, with Members Boulter, Earl and Neilson opposed; Member Belnap absent.

R277-493 Kindergarten Supplemental Enrichment Program

Staff informed the Committee that repeal of R277-493 is necessary because H.B. 99 passed in the 2020 General Session repeals the Kindergarten Supplement Education Program and combines it with the Optional Extended Kindergarten program. The Committee approved repeal of the rule on first reading.

MOTION from Committee that the Board repeal R277-493 *Kindergarten Supplemental Enrichment Program*, on second and final reading.

Motion carried; Member Belnap absent.

Early Learning Standards: Ages 3-5

Jamie Robinson, Education Specialist, presented the Early Learning Standards: Ages 3-5 for final approval. She introduced two of the writing committee members—Jared Lisonbee and Linda Chadburn.

MOTION was made by Member Marsh and seconded that the Board adopt the Early Learning Standards: Ages 3-5, Draft 4.

Board members thanked staff for their hard work and dedication to completing and simplifying the standards. Concern was expressed that assessments need to align with all the standards, including those that aren't academic.

Motion carried, with Members Boulter, Earl and Neilson opposed; Member Belnap absent.

Charter Satellite Requests

The State Charter School Board provided notification on February 6, 2020 to the State Board of Education that it authorized new replication/satellite charter schools for the following LEAs: Freedom Preparatory Academy, Ascent Academy, and Wallace Stegner Academy. The Board addressed the SCSB's process in authorizing the new replication/satellite charter schools

in its March 5 and April 16 meetings and asked the for further information. Additional information was provided on April 30.

Michelle Beus, Assistant Attorney General, reported that the SCSB has provided additional documentation with a letter reaffirming its decision to approve the requests. AAG Beus informed that the options for the Board are to take no action or once again direct the SCSB to reconsider and correct deficiencies in the process.

Member Mike Haynes, the USB E's liaison to the State Charter School Board, expressed his appreciation to the SCSB for its work in reviewing the requests and to USB E staff who have contributed to the efforts to ensure the satellite expansion is done properly. He voiced his confidence in and support of the SCSB's decision.

MOTION was made by Member Lear and seconded that the Board request the State Charter School Board to reconsider its approval of the Freedom Academy satellite school; and that the SCSB correct the deficiencies by sending the Board links to at least fifteen laws, rules and regulations as required in R277-552-6(2).

Member Lear spoke to the motion, voicing her disappointment in the lack of information received to demonstrate compliance.

Jennifer Lambert, State Charter School Board Executive Director, responded that the State Charter School Board has done its best to provide the information as requested and that the SCSB did its due diligence in reviewing the schools.

Motion failed, with Members Cannon, Graviet, Lear and Marsh in favor, and Members Cummins, Davis, Earl, Hansen, Haynes, Huntsman, Newell and Thorpe opposed; Members Boulter, Belnap and Neilson absent.

Executive Session

MOTION was made by Member Marsh and seconded that the Board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of individuals and strategies on pending or reasonably imminent litigation.

Upon voice vote of Members Boulter, Cannon, Cummins, Davis, Earl, Graviet, Hansen, Haynes, Huntsman, Lear, Marsh, Neilson, Newell, and Thorpe, the Board went into closed executive session at 3:13 p.m.

Those present included the Members above and Sydnee Dickson, Angie Stallings, Jeffrey Van Hulten, Deborah Jacobson, Michelle Beus, Bryan Quesenberry, Lorraine Austin and Ben Rasmussen.

MOTION was made by Member Marsh and seconded that the Board come out of executive session.

Motion carried. The Board reconvened in open meeting at 4:21 p.m.

Action on Educator Licenses

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the recommendation of the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) in Case No. 18-1497 to reinstate the individual's Level 2 Administrative/Supervisory (K-12) and Secondary Education (6-12) licenses consistent with the terms of the hearing report.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 19-1589 to suspend the individual's Level 2 Administrative/Supervisory (K-12) and Secondary Education licenses for not less than two years from the date of Board action pursuant to the Consent to Discipline.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 19-1616 to suspend the individual's Level 2 Secondary Education license for not less than three years from the date of Board action pursuant to the Default Order.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 19-1626 to accept the individual's Voluntary Surrender of his Level 2 Secondary (6-12) license. [The voluntary surrender will be permanent, and the individual is not eligible for reinstatement at any time.]

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 19-1633 to issue a reprimand to be in place not less than two years from the date of Board action in accordance with the Consent to Discipline.

Motion carried, with Member Lear abstaining due to a conflict of interest; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 19-1685 to suspend the individual's Level 2 Secondary Education license for not less than one year from the date of Board action pursuant to the Consent to Discipline.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 20-1729 to suspend the individual's Level 2 Secondary Education license for not less than two years from the date of Board action pursuant to the Consent to Discipline.

Motion carried, with Member Lear abstaining due to a conflict of interest; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board accept the UPPAC Consent Calendar.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

Appointment

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded that the Board appoint Deborah Jacobson as the Interim Deputy Superintendent of Operations.

It was explained that Deputy Superintendent Scott Jones has been deployed as part of the Army Reserves and the appointment will be in place during his absence.

Motion carried; Members Belnap and Neilson absent.

Board Chair's Report

Chair Huntsman noted that the Board will be meeting weekly in May.

Board Member Comments

Member Earl expressed hope that the Board will look beyond the financial needs and provide models and insight for what school could look like in the fall. She requested that the SHARP survey be placed on a future agenda for discussion. She also voiced that the Board should be a part of the decision-making on anything being sent to the federal government.

Member Davis suggested that the Board hold work sessions prior to its board meetings to have informal discussions and ask questions of staff.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

[For additional information on items from the meeting, see General Exhibit No. 20-11.]

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary
Minutes approved June 4, 2020