

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

September 8-9, 2016

**Board Members Present:** Chair David Crandall, First Vice Chair David Thomas, Second Vice Chair Jennifer Johnson, Laura Belnap, Leslie Castle, Barbara Corry, Brittney Cummins, Linda Hansen, Mark Huntsman, Stan Lockhart, Jefferson Moss, Spencer Stokes, Terryl Warner, Joel Wright.

**Board Members Excused:** Dixie Allen (Sept. 8-9) and Joel Wright (Sept. 9).

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 minutes of its August 11, 2016 meeting of the Utah State Board of Education acting as the Governing Board of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.
- The Board approved the General Consent Calendar with R277-914 removed.
  - The Board approved the minutes of its August 11-12 meetings.
  - The Board approved contracts with the following: Utah Afterschool Network, Language Testing International, Patrick Tanner, Langdon Owen, Jr., Tracy Cowdell, D. Scott Crook, Carol Clawson, Douglas Larson, Blake Ostler, Brad Smith, WestEd, Canyons School District, Washington School District, NCS Pearson, Inc., American Institutes for Research, Shmoop University, Inc.
  - The Board approved the following rules on third and final reading: R277-109 *Legislative Reporting and Accountability*; R277-116 *Audit Procedure*; R277-600 *Student Transportation Standards and Procedures*; R277-603 *Autism Awareness Restricted Account Distribution*; R277-611 *Certified Volunteer Instruction and Material Approval Requirements and Process for Firearm Safety in the Public Schools*; R277-708 *Enhancement for At-risk Students Program*; R277-715 *Out-of-school Time Program Standards*.
  - The Board approved the repeal of the following rules on third and final reading: R280-150 *Adjudicative Proceedings Under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act*; R280-200 *Rehabilitation*; R280-202 *USOR Procedures for Individuals with the Most Significant Disabilities*; R280-203 *Certification Requirements for Interpreters and Transliterators for the Hearing Impaired*; R280-204 *Utah State Office of Rehabilitation Employee Background Check Requirements*.

- The Board directed its delegate to vote in favor of the amendments to the Bylaws of the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE), and NASBE's Public Education Positions, and authorized the delegate to vote in the elections for NASBE President-elect and Director for the Western Region.
- The Board approved R277-914 *Career and Student Organizations*, with additional amendment, on third and final reading.
- The Board approved forwarding the following recommendations to the Education Interim Committee to begin the process of working with the Legislature and other stakeholders on assessment:
  - Eliminate SAGE requirements in grades 9-12 beginning in the 2017-18 school year.
  - Use ACT Aspire for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade and ACT with writing for 11<sup>th</sup> grade to fill the state assessment requirements. Members Castle, Corry, Crandall, Cummins, Huntsman, Johnson, Moss, and Thomas in favor and Members Belnap, Hansen, Lockhart, Stokes and Warner opposed.
  - Continue grades 3-8 SAGE testing, but require the writing assessment in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades only with a hard stop after 50 minutes.
  - Adopt as a working framework the high school and elementary school accountability indicators as presented by the USBE Accountability Task Force:
    - High School Accountability Indicators: proficiency (300 points); growth (300 points); college and career ready (150 points); at-risk population improvements (150 points); ELL progress (100 points).
    - Elementary Accountability Indicators: proficiency (300 points); growth (300 points); 1-3 reading progress indicator (200 points); access to quality education indicator (100 points); ELL progress (100 points).
  - Suspend designation of turnaround schools for one year. It is anticipated this may occur in the 2017-18 school year. Members Belnap and Warner opposed.
- The Board added the following to its budget priorities list, in no particular order:
  - Student growth
  - WPU increase
  - ACT Aspire/ACT test - \$2.6 million
  - Digital Teaching and Learning grant program. Member Belnap opposed.
  - Regional Services Centers - \$3 million from the Minimum School Program
  - Risk mitigation - \$510,000 ongoing. Members Hansen and Warner opposed.
- The Board adopted Utah State Board of Education Resolution No. 2016-3 *Resolution Establishing the Utah Special Education Advisory Panel (USEAP)*.

- The Board approved the 2016 fall school community council training schedule.
- The Board approved R277-726 *Statewide Online Education Program* on second reading. Member Belnap abstained.
- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-438 Revision 2 *Dual Enrollment* on second reading.
- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-609 Revision 3 *Standards for LEA Discipline Plans and Emergency Safety Interventions* on second reading.
- The Board approved R277-511 *Academic Pathway to Teaching (APT) Level 1 License*, as amended, on second reading, and directed that the rule be forwarded to the Board's Licensing Task Force for review.
- The Board approved R277-513 *Teacher Leader*, as amended, on third and final reading.
- The Board approved Board Policy 3004 *Educational Assistance Program for Board Employees*.
- The Board approved R277-512 *Online Licensure* as amended on second reading, subject to a legal opinion from the Board's counsel concerning the due process rights of those that have entered into agreements with the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission.
- The Board referred rules R277-514 *Deaf Education License Area of Concentration* and R277-520 *Appropriate Licensing and Assignment of Teachers* to its Licensing Task Force for review.
- The Board approved the 2016-2017 Standard Test Administration and Testing Ethics Policy Manual, as amended.
- The Board approved the revised Parental Exclusions Forms for Statewide Testing for 2016-2017.
- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-604 Revision 2 *Private School, Home School, Electronic High School (EHS), and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Student Participation in Public School Achievement Tests* on second reading.
- The Board approved new rule R277-409 Revision 3 *LEA Membership in Associations* on first reading, with the direction that between now and the Board's October meeting staff work with the Utah High School Activities Association to propose alternatives to the rule.
- The Board approved amendment to and continuation of R277-605 *Coaching Standards and Athletic Clinics* on second reading. Member Hansen opposed.
- The Board directed staff to begin revision of the Educational Leadership Standards.

- The Board authorized staff to move \$130,000 from the School Finance Section carryforward budget to the Board's priority funding.
- The Board directed Superintendent Dickson to work with staff to bring back to the Finance Committee in October recommendations for carryforward funding use.
- The Board directed the superintendency to work with IT staff to move the Board to an internal internet cloud.
- The Board directed the implementation of both Google and Microsoft 365.
- The Board authorized the use of \$200,000 carryforward funds for website transition and Office of Civil Rights (OCR) compliance.
- The Board authorized the use of carryforward funds for the following: building improvements and safety (\$450,000); capital improvements (\$300,000); Superintendent's discretion (\$150,000).
- The Board scheduled its January meetings on January 12-13, 2017.
- The Board took the following actions on educator licenses.
  - The Board adopted a Remand Order in Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) Case No. 16-1331 and remanded the case back to UPPAC.
  - The Board accepted the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 15-1296 to issue a letter of reprimand on the educator's Level 1 Secondary Education License to be in place for not less than two years from the date of UPPAC action.
  - The Board accepted the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 16-107 and cleared the background check.
  - The Board accepted the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 16-114 and cleared the background check.
  - The Board accepted the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 16-1327 to extend the suspension of the educator's Level 2 Secondary Education License for one year until August 2017.
  - The Board accepted the UPPAC recommendation in Case No. 15-1265 and revoked the individual's Level 2 School Counselor License.
  - The Board approved the UPPAC Consent Calendar.
- The Board appointed Patty Norman to the Utah Education and Telehealth Network Board for the term July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2020.
- The Board appointed the following to the State Rehabilitation Council for terms September 2016 to September 2019: Kelly Boehmer, representing services for the deaf and hard of

hearing; Rob Ferris, representing independent living services; Rylee Williams, as an at-large representative; and Glenn Fitzpatrick, representing community rehabilitation providers.

- The Board appointed the following to the Utah Statewide Independent Living Council: Jeff Sheen, Cherissa Alldredge, Brian Bills, Holly Ferrin—representing persons with a disability; Cheryl Atwood, representing the Association of Independent Living Center in Utah (AILU).
- The Board appointed the following to the Utah Instructional Materials Commission for terms four years from the date of appointment: Paula Logan, representing secondary principals; Linda Hanks and Russell Duncan, representing lay citizens.