

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2016

A legislative meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held January 28, 2016 at the State Capitol Complex, Room E210, Salt Lake City, Utah. Vice Chair David Thomas conducted. The meeting commenced at 12:12 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Chair David L. Crandall	Member Brittney Cummins
1 st Vice Chair David L. Thomas	Member Linda B. Hansen
2 nd Vice Chair Jennifer A. Johnson	Member Mark Huntsman
Member Leslie B. Castle	Member Terryl Warner

Members Excused:

Member Dixie L. Allen	Member Jefferson Moss
Member Laura Belnap	Member Spencer F. Stokes
Member Barbara W. Corry	Member Joel Wright
Member Stan Lockhart	

Executive and Board Staff Present:

Sydnee Dickson, Acting Supt.	Emilie Wheeler, Board Communications Specialist
Rich Nye, Acting Deputy Supt.	
Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary	

Others Present:

Cheri Rieben, Mark Peterson, Roxana Orellana, Natalie Gordon, Natalie Grange, Brent Page, Travis Cook—Utah State Office of Education; Davida Edrich; Linda D. Johns; Ana Strong, parent; Karen Peterson, Tami Pyfer—Governor’s Office; Nancy S. Kennedy, Kristi Swett—Utah School Boards Association; Morgan Jacobsen, *Deseret News*; Jill Curry, Legislative Fiscal Analyst; Jay Blaine, Utah Education Association; Ben Wood, *Salt Lake Tribune*.

Call to Order

Vice Chair David Thomas called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

Scholar Academy Performance

The Owl choir from Scholar Academy in Tooele, directed by Lynnette Sharp, performed two number for the Board.

Legislation

Vice Chair Thomas updated the Board on the recommendations for the public education budget from the Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

Associate Superintendent Rich Nye reviewed H.B. 164 *Educational Testing Amendments*.

Discussion with Senator Ann Millner

Senator Millner was welcomed to the meeting. She discussed S.B. 67 *Partnerships for Student Success*, S.B. 78 *State Board of Education Candidate Selection*, and S.B. 51 *Teacher Leader Role*. She received questions and input from Board members.

Discussion with Representation Kraig Powell

Representative Powell was welcomed to the meeting. He discussed H.B. 164 *Educational Testing Amendments*, H.B. 92 *Local School Board Levy Rate Amendments*, and H.B. 193 *Charter School Property Tax Amendments*. He received questions and input from Board members.

School Resource Officer Request

William Matthews, Director of Dixie State University Computer Crime Institute, was welcomed to the meeting. He distributed information about a legislative funding request for the Institute that was presented to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee today. It is a request to fund training by the Institute for school resource officers and administrators.

Representative Kennedy was also welcomed to the meeting. He asked for Board input on the funding request.

Member Warner questioned why the funding would be coming out of the Education Fund, and suggested it should be funded by law enforcement.

Action on Legislative Items

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman and seconded by Vice Chair Johnson that the Board support the funding request for school resource officer and school administrator

training.

Motion failed, with Members Castle, Cummins, Crandall, Hansen, Huntsman, Johnson, and Thomas in favor, and Member Warner opposed.

MOTION was made by Member Cummins and seconded by Member Hansen that the Board support H.B. 164 *Educational Testing Amendments*.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Vice Chair Johnson and seconded by Member Warner that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary
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