

## UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

January 23, 2023

A Utah State Board of Education legislative meeting was held on January 23, 2023. Chair Moss presided. As authorized by Utah Code 52-4-207, this meeting was held electronically with an anchor location at the State Board of Education offices, 250 E 500 S, Salt Lake City, Utah. The public may also attend electronically.

### Members Present:

Chair James Moss  
First Vice Chair Molly Hart  
Second Vice Chair Jennie Earl  
Member Christina Boggess  
Member Cindy Davis

Member Molly Hart  
Member Matt Hymas  
Member Carol Barlow Lear  
Member Kristan Norton  
Member Brent J. Strate  
Member Sarah Reale

### Members Online:

Member Natalie Cline  
Member Joseph Kerry  
Member Randy Boothe  
Member Emily Green

### Executive Staff Present:

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent  
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent  
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent  
Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent  
Sarah Young, Chief of Staff

### Minutes were taken by:

Cybil Child, Executive Assistant

### Others Present:

USBE staff Bryan Quesenberry, Ashley Biehl, Sam Urie, Liz Bernfield, Brigette Middleton, Jamie Renda, and Deborah Jacobsen.

### Opening Business

Chair Moss called the meeting to order at 7:11 a.m. He welcomed the public and board members to the meeting.

**Public Comments**

Senator Kathleen Riebe spoke about her opposition to HB 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

Quincy Azinane spoke in favor of HB 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

Joe Johnson spoke in favor of HB 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

Brigette Middleton spoke in favor of HB 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

Jamie Renda spoke in favor of HB 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

**Action on Legislation/Budget****Board Positions on Legislation for H.B. 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities**

**MOTION** was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Lear that the Board opposes the 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute H.B. 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION** was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Moss that the Board maintains a position of neutrality on H.B. 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, and directs staff to work with the sponsors of H.B. 215 to address institutional concerns and implementation.

**Substitute Motion** failed with Members Earl, Green, Kerry, and Moss in favor and Members Boggess, Boothe, Cline, Davis, Hart, Hymas, Lear, Norton, Reale, Strate, and Wood opposed.

**CALL THE QUESTION** was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear.

That **motion** carried with Members Boggess, Boothe, Cline, Davis, Earl, Green, Lear, Norton, Reale, Strate, and Wood in favor and Members hart, Hymas, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Lear that the Board opposes the 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute H.B. 215, Funding for Teachers Salaries and Optional Education Opportunities, as written.

**CALL THE QUESTION** was made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Reale.

The **motion** carried with Members Boggess, Boothe, Cline, Davis, Lear, Norton, Reale, Strate, and Wood in favor and Members Earl, Green, Hart, Hymas, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

The **final motion** carried with Members Wood, Strate, Reale, Norton, Lear, Hart, Davis, Cline, Boothe, and Boggess in favor and Members Earl, Green, Hymas, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Lear and Strate that the Board directs Board Leadership, in collaboration with at least one other member of the Board who voted with the majority to oppose the bill, to send a letter, by noon today, from the Board to the Utah State Legislature explaining the majority position of the Board.

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Moss and seconded by Member Earl that the Board added that the letter included the minority position as well.

The **motion to amend** failed with Members Boothe, Cline, Davis, Green, Hart, Hymas, Kerry, Lear, Norton, Reale, Strate, Wood, and Members Earl and Moss in favor. Member Boggess abstained.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION** was made by Member Davis and seconded by Member Hymas that the Board sends the press release via email to the entire Legislature by the end of the day on January 23, 2023.

The **motion carried** with Members Boggess, Boothe, Cline, Davis, Earl, Green, Hart, Hymas, Lear, Moss, Norton, Reale, Strate, and Wood in favor and Member Kerry opposed.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** made by Member Hart and seconded by Member Moss.

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

Cybil Child, Board Executive Assistant  
Minutes pending approval

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