

**MEETING OF THE UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BOARD FOR THE
UTAH SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND**

September 7, 2017

A regular meeting of the Utah State Board of Education Acting as the Governing Board for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind was held September 7, 2017 at the Utah State Board of Education Building, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

At the direction of Chair Mark Huntsman, 1st Vice Chair Terryl Warner conducted.

Members Present:

1st Vice Chair Terryl Warner
3rd Vice Chair Alisa Ellis
Member Laura Belnap
Member Michelle Boulter

Member Lisa Cummins
Member Jennifer Gravier
Member Linda B. Hansen
Member Scott B. Neilson

Members Absent:

Chair Mark Huntsman
Member Janet A. Cannon
Member Brittney Cummins
Member Carol Barlow Lear

Member Kathleen Riebe
Member Spencer F. Stokes
Member Joel Wright

Executive Staff Present:

Joel Coleman, Superintendent
Carolyn Lasater, Associate Supt.
Michelle Tanner, Associate Supt.

Letty Debenham, Finance Director
Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

Others Present:

Paula Pattman, Todd Darrington—USDB staff; Ben Leishman—Legislative Fiscal Analyst;
Crystal Thomas, Natalie Grange, Deborah Jacobsen—USB E staff.

Call to Order

Vice Chair Terryl Warner called the meeting to order at 12:55 p.m.

Monthly Budget Report

USDB Finance Director Letty Debenham introduced USDB's financial manager, Todd Darrington.

Ms. Debenham reported on the FY2017 final budget report, indicating that 99 percent of revenue has been collected; the remaining one percent is attributed to a refund to the State Board of Education for student transportation. She reported that the USDB budgeted for \$34.8 million and has spent \$33.6 million.

Deaf Parent Infant Program (PIP) Report

Paula Pittman, Director of Deaf PIP Program, made a presentation. She took the Board through the process of infants being screened for hearing and parents learning their baby is deaf. The Parent Infant Program then comes into play to provide support, information and resources to every family in the state with children ages 0-3 who have been identified as deaf. The program is essential to preparing these children to go to preschool and to be ready to learn.

Superintendent's Report

USDBE Superintendent Joel Coleman updated the Board on the following:

- The Springville building project is on hold. The state Division of Facilities and Construction Management real estate division is continuing to work with Springville City.
- USDB staff is preparing increased funding requests for the legislature and will bring these to the Board in its next meeting.
- The opening of school went great and they are off and running. All positions are generally filled.
- He and Superintendent Tanner will be traveling to St. George to visit some USDB programs there.

USDB Consent Calendar

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded that the Board approve the USDB Consent Calendar.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary
Minutes approved October 13, 2017