

**UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES**

**Governing Board for the
Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB) and
Utah State Board of Education Study Session**

October 7, 2022
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

The Utah State Board of Education held a state board meeting electronically on September 9, 2022. As authorized by Utah Code 52-4, this meeting was held electronically with an anchor location at 250 E 500 S, Salt Lake City, UT 84114. Vice-Chair Davis presided. The meeting was streamed live to the public.

Members Present

Chair Mark Huntsman
First Vice-Chair Laura Belnap
Second Vice-Chair Cindy Davis
Member Janet A. Cannon
Member Natalie Cline
Member Jennie Earl
Member Stacey Hutchings
Member Scott L. Hansen

Member Randy Boothe
Member Matt Hymas
Member James Moss Jr.
Member Kristin Norton
Member Brent J. Strate
Member Carol Barlow Lear
Member Molly Hart

Executive Staff Present

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent
Leah Voorhies, Assistant Superintendent
Darin Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent
Deborah Jacobsen, Assistant Superintendent
Sarah Young, Chief of Staff

Minutes were taken by:

Cybil Child, Board Secretary

Others Present

USDB Carl Empey, Joel Coleman, Michelle Tanner, USBE Jerry Record, Bryan Quesenberry, Jeff Van Hulten, Nathan Auck, Kelsey James, Bryan Quesenberry, Alex Farah, and Jacquelyn Phillips.

Opening Business

Vice-chair Davis called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind**Consent Calendar****Wasatch Transportation Contract Amendment 4**

That the Board approves a fuel surcharge beginning October 2022 - June 2023.

Student Device and Network Acceptable Use Policy

That the Board approves the amended Student Device and Network Acceptable Use Policy.

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board approves the General Consent Calendar.

Motion carried with Member Lear absent.

USDB 2021-22 Annual Report

USDB Superintendent Joel Coleman, Associate Superintendent of the Deaf Michelle Tanner, and Executive Assistant for the Blind School Jacquelyn Phillips presented the annual report.

The Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB) has a rich heritage of providing educational services to the children of Utah who are deaf, blind, or deaf-blind. Specially trained staff members offer intensive services not available in the student's home community schools. Teachers are licensed and endorsed by the Utah State Board of Education and USDB is one of the few state programs in the country that provides students with comprehensive services and

a full array of personalized educational settings with support for deaf or blind children from birth to age 22.

USDB was established in 1884 as a statewide educational agency tasked with providing programs and services for students who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, with low vision, or deaf-blind. Comprehensive services are offered at our USDB campus classrooms, through outreach services in school districts or charter schools, or in a home setting for infants and toddlers.

Consistent with Utah Code Annotated (UCA) Section 53E-8-204(6)(b), USDB is required to submit this annual report to the Education Interim Committee of the Utah Legislature, including the following items: ● A report on Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind programs and activities ● A report of student academic performance ● A financial report

FY23 USDB Key Data Report

Superintendent Coleman shared the FY23 USDB Key Data Report with board members to show monthly tracking of all divisions and services provided to students.

FY23 Monthly Budget Update as of August 31, 2022

Carl Empey, Finance Director provided the USBE members with an FY23 monthly update as of August 31, 2022.

Superintendent's Report

USDB Superintendent Joel Coleman and Associate Superintendent of the Deaf Michelle Tanner

Study Session

General Session 2023 USBE Legislative Draft Business Cases Prioritization

Todd Call, Each individual Board member completed a survey in September to identify their top priorities from the 23 Board-supported business cases for the 2023 Legislative General Session. The results of the survey have been uploaded as board backup and will serve as a starting point for the Board to finalize the prioritization of business cases during the Study Session.

MOTION was made by Member Hutchings and seconded by Member Strate that the Board moves the draft business case for Increasing Postsecondary Opportunities FAFSA Completion Incentive System for LEAs to be added to the priority list for the Board's 2023 General Session budget priorities.

The **motion** carried with Members Boothe, Cannon, Davis, Hansen, Hutchings, Lear, Moss, Norton, and Strate in favor, and with Members Belnap, Cline, Earl, Hart, Huntsman, and Hymas opposed.

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Norton that the Board approves the top ten prioritization list of Board-supported business cases and alphabetizes the remaining list to forward the recommendations to the Governor's office.

The **motion** passed unanimously.

	Ranking	Ranked Points
WPU Value Increase	1	139
USBE Market Adjustments	2	93
Full-Day Kindergarten	3	70
Beverley Taylor Sorenson	4	49
School Safety Physical Facilities Capital Needs	5	48
Students At-Risk Add-On	6	47
USBE Internal FTE Needs for Capacity and Service	7	46
Pupil Transportation	7	46
Small District and Charter School Base Funding	9	33
Paid Preparation and Collaboration Hours for Educators	10	29
School Improvement USBE Capacity	11	23
Retention Through Teacher Leadership and Mentoring Opportunities	12	21
Educator Licensing	12	21
RESA Market Increase	14	19
Early Learning Coaches in Rural Schools	15	17
SOEP Small Schools	16	16
Family Engagement Specialist	16	16
Grow Your Own Teacher and School Counselor Pipeline Program	18	15
Reduce Curricular and Co-curricular Fees	18	15
Utah School Safety Academy	20	8
School Leadership Development Grant	21	5
Dual Language Immersion 1-9 Program Growth	22	3
School Readiness Grants	23	0

MOTION was made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Hart that the Board direct staff to seek alternate funding for Full-Day Kindergarten.

The **motion** passed unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Cybil Child, Board Secretary
Minutes Approved November 3, 2022