

# UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES February 15, 2024

Capitol Complex Senate Committee Room 210 Salt Lake City, UT 84114

A Utah State Board of Education legislative meeting was held on February 15, 2024. Vice Chair Earl presided. As authorized by Utah Code 52-4, this meeting was held at the Utah State Capitol Complex Senate Committee Room 210 Salt Lake City, UT 84114. The public can hear the audio of the meeting through live YouTube streaming.

#### **Members Present:**

Chair James Moss Vice Chair Molly Hart Vice Chair Jennie Earl Member Christina Boggess Member Randy Boothe Member Natalie Cline Member Cindy Davis Member Emily Green (online) Member Matt Hymas Member Joseph Kerry (online) Member Carol Lear Member Kristan Norton Member Brent Strate Member LeAnn Wood Member Sarah Reale

## Members Absent:

Member Natalie Cline

## **Executive Staff Present:**

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent Kelsey James, Board's Communication Coordinator

## Minutes were taken by: Cybil Prideaux, Executive Assistant

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## **Others Present:**

Darin Nielson, Adam Herd, Dale Frost, Sam Urie, Vanessa Barnes, Ashley Biehl, Jennifer Throndsen, Elisse Newey, Adam Prows, Grace Burns, Brittney Cummins, Jason Strate, Royce Van Tassell, Susan Edwards, Amber Shill, Andrea Curtin and Deborah Jacobson.

## 1. Opening Business - 12:00 PM

Vice Chair Earl called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. She welcomed the public and board members to the forum. She shared an overview of the legislative session and board members' participation protocol.

1.1. INFORMATION: Opening Business

# 2. Budget Priorities

2.1. DISCUSSION: 2024 Legislative Session Funding Information and Priorities

Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, Sam Urie, School Finance Director, and Dale Frost, MSP Administrator, discussed the funding priorities. In accordance with the Budgetary Procedures and Money Management Acts, the Utah State Board of Education provides the legislature with funding requests/prioritizations for the current and next fiscal year.

## 3. Review of Legislation -

- 3.1. INFORMATION: Legislator Review of Bills
- 3.2. DISCUSSION: Legislative Policy Request Update
- 3.3. DISCUSSION: 2024 General Session Legislation
- 1. HB 499 Education Reporting Amendments, Rep. Pulsipher
- 2. HB 418 Student Offender Reintegration Amendments, Rep. Matthews
- 3. 2nd Sub HB 301 Charter School Accountability Amendments, Rep. Lisonbee
- 4. HB 29 Sensitive Material Review Amendments, Rep. Ivory
- 5. HB 417 School Materials Amendments, Rep. Ivory
- 6. SB 173 Market Informed Compensation For Teachers, Sen. Fillmore
- 7. 1st Sub HB 420 School Code Of Conduct Protections, Rep. McPherson
- 8. 1st Sub SB 159 Public School Discipline And Conduct Plans, Sen. Buxton
- 9. 1st Sub HB 161 School Board Amendments, Rep. Shipp
- 10. 1st Sub HB 173 Local School Board Amendments, Rep. Pierucci

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## 4. Action on Legislation/Budget

4.1. POTENTIAL ACTION: Board Positions on Legislation

Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, reviewed bills and answered Board member questions.

MOTION ON THE TABLE from the February 8, 2024, board legislative meeting.

**MOTION** was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear that the Board opposes:

- 1) SB 69, Income Tax Amendments;
- 2) SB 173, Market Informed Compensation for Teachers;
- 3) HB 183, Income Tax Reduction to; and
- 4) Line 22 (\$50. 5 million increases for the Utah Fits All Scholarship Program) on the PEA list.

**MOTION** was made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Hymas that the Board extend the agenda adjournment time from 1:30 p.m. to 1:39 p.m.

The motion carried with Member Earl opposed.

**MOTION TO DIVIDE** was made by Member Kerry and seconded by Member Boggess.

The motion carried with Members Lear, Norton, Reale, and Strate opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Norton that the Board opposes:

1) SB 69, Income Tax Amendments; HB 183, Income Tax Reduction.

The motion failed with Members Boothe, Davis, Lear, Norton, Reale, Strate, and Wood in favor and Members Boggess, Earl, Hymas, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear that the Board opposes:

2) SB 173, Market Informed Compensation for Teachers;

**MOTION** was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear that the Board opposes:

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1) Line 22 (\$50. 5 million increase for the Utah Fits All Scholarship Program) on the PEA list.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION** was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Reale that USBE requests the Legislature to fund USBE funding priorities prior to funding Utah Fits All (HB 529) or Market Informed Compensation for Teachers (SB 173).

The motion carried with Member Kerry opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Davis and seconded by Member Lear that the Board asks the legislature for a fiscal note for 2 FTEs for monitoring responsibilities in 2nd Sub HB 301 Charter School Accountability Amendments, Rep. Lisonbee, and that an incremental increase formula is included for charter expansions.

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

**MOTION** was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Davis that the Board opposes SB 173 Market Informed Compensation For Teachers, Sen. Fillmore.

The motion carried with Members Earl, Hart, Hymas, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

### 5. Adjournment

Motion made by Member Hymas and seconded by Member Moss that the Board adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:38 PM.

Cybil Prideaux, Board Executive Assistant Minutes were approved on March 7, 2024.