



**UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES**

February 22, 2024

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

A Utah State Board of Education legislative meeting was held on February 22, 2024. Chair Moss 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	Member Matt Hymas
Vice Chair Molly Hart	Member Sarah Reale
Vice Chair Jennie Earl	Member Carol Lear
Member Christina Boggess	Member Kristan Norton
Member Randy Boothe	Member Brent Strate
Member LeAnn Wood	Member Cindy Davis
Member Joseph Kerry	

**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

**Others Present:**

Darin Nielson, Dale Frost, Sam Urie, Vanessa Barnes, Ashley Biehl, Jennifer Michelle Beus, Elisse Newey, Adam Prows, Grace Burns, Brittney Cummins, Jason Strate, Andrea Curtin, Royce Van Tassell, Amber Bonner, Elizabeth Gibe, Natalie McHale, Camille Knudson, Lia Beth Vital, Susan Edwards, and Deborah Jacobson.

**1. Opening Business - 12:00 PM**

Chair Moss called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. He 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. [1st Sub HB 362](#) Juvenile Justice Revisions, Rep. Lisonbee
2. [SB 246](#) Juvenile Justice Modifications, Sen. Escamilla
3. [SB 220](#) School Readiness Amendments, Sen. Millner
4. [HB 529](#) Utah Fits All Scholarship Program Amendments, Rep. Pierucci
5. [HB 265](#) Interscholastic Athletic Activities Associations Reporting Requirements, Rep. Hawkins
6. [2nd Sub SB 159](#) Public School Discipline And Conduct Plans, Sen. Buxton

7. [1st Sub HB 161](#) School Board Amendments, Rep. Shipp
8. [1st Sub HB 173](#) Local School Board Amendments, Rep. Pierucci
9. [HB 491](#) Data Privacy Amendments, Rep. Jefferson Moss
10. [HB 455](#) Education Industry Employee Privacy, Rep. Lee

#### 4. Action on Legislation/Budget

##### 4.1. POTENTIAL ACTION: Board Positions on Legislation

Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, reviewed bills and answered board members' questions.

**MOTION** was made by Member Reale and seconded by Member Lear that the Board instruct staff to work with the bill sponsor of [HB 112](#) -- Sex Education Instruction Amendments (Rep. Jimenez, T.) to amend the bill by adding the following language after line 45:

(b) Notwithstanding receipt of the consent described in Subsection (2)(a), a school may not provide sex education instruction that violates provisions described in Section 53G-10-402.

The motion carried with Members Boggess, Earl, Green, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Davis and seconded by Member Wood that the Board directs staff to work with the sponsor of [HB 491](#) Data Privacy Amendments, Rep. Jefferson Moss, to include the following language, or similarly worded language, to the bill:

*302 (b) (i) If a governmental entity is subject to a more restrictive or specific ~~provision of~~*

*303 law than found in this ~~part~~ chapter, the governmental entity shall comply with the more restrictive or*

*304 specific ~~provision of~~ law.*

*305 (ii) For purposes of Subsection (1)(b)(i), the following are more restrictive and specific laws:*

*(A) Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and Management Act ~~[, is a more restrictive and specific provision of law.]~~*

**(B) the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 34 C.F.R. Part 99; and**  
**(C) Title 53E, Chapter 9, Student Privacy and Data Protection.**

The motion carried with Members Boggess, Green, Hymas, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Boggess that the Board request staff to work with Representative Briscoe on HB 555, *School Policy Amendments*:

1. to add The last three paragraphs from Herman Melville's "The Lightning Rod Man";
2. The third to last paragraph of the Declaration of Independence; and
3. His favorite verse from Neil Diamond's Patriotic song, "America".

The motion carried with Members Wood and Hymas opposed. Members Davis, Green, Kerry, and Strate abstained.

## 5. Adjournment

Motion made by Member Hymas and seconded by Member Lear that the Board adjourns. The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

The Board Executive Assistant took minutes.  
Minutes were approved March 7, 2024.