

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2017

A legislative meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held February 2, 2017 at the Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Building E210, Salt Lake City, Utah. Chair Mark Huntsman conducted.

Board Members Present:

Chair Mark Huntsman	Member Lisa Cummins
1 st Vice Chair Terryl Warner	Member Jennifer Graviet
2 nd Vice Chair Brittney Cummins	Member Linda B. Hansen
Member Laura Belnap	Member Carol Barlow Lear
Member Michelle Boulter	Member Scott B. Neilson
Member Janet A. Cannon	Member Kathleen Riebe

Board Members Excused:

Member Alisa Ellis	Member Joel Wright
Member Spencer F. Stokes	

Executive Staff Present:

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Rich Nye, Deputy Superintendent
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent

Minutes taken by:

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

Others Present:

Emilie Wheeler, JoEllen Shaeffer, Patty Norman, Diana Suddreth, Lillian Tsosie Jensen, Marty Kelly, Momi Tuua, Thalea Longhurst, Sarah Young, Jennifer Throndsen—USBE staff; Michelle Tanner, Carolyn Lasater, Letty Debenham—Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind; Kyle Hosler—San Juan School District; Todd Hauber—Park City School District; Edna LaMarca—Southeast Educational Development Center; Jason Strate—Central Utah Educational Services; Duke Mossman—Northern Utah Educational Services; Karen Peterson—Governor’s office; Jacob Wright—Governor’s Office of Management and Budget; Jan Ferré—Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities; Allison Nicholson—Utah Education Policy Center; Elizabeth Garbe—United Way Salt Lake; Brad Nelson—Spectrum Academy; Kendle Zaunich, Kamarie Nicdao—Utah Public Employees Association; Jill and Dave Van Langeveld; Joel Coleman—USDB Superintendent

Call to Order

Chair Mark Huntsman called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Member Michelle Boulter led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Legislative Priorities

Deputy Superintendent Scott Jones reviewed the Board's legislative priorities. [For complete details see General Exhibit No. 17-59.]

MOTION was made by Member B. Cummins and seconded by Member Warner that the Board move \$3 million from the one-time teacher supply money request to the ongoing teacher supply money request.

Motion carried, with Member Belnap opposed.

USDB Superintendent Joel Coleman reviewed the USDB's legislative priorities.

MOTION was made by Member B. Cummins and seconded by Member Gravier that the Board move the following items to the top of its priority list, in order [below growth and WPU]: ACT 11, ACT 9-10, Regional Service Centers, Program Support, USDB Steps and Lanes, Special Education Compliance Officer, and Student Data Privacy Program.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member B. Cummins and seconded by Member Warner that the Board change its request for Digital Teaching and Learning to \$10 million ongoing and \$15 million one-time, and move both the ongoing priority and one-time priority below the teacher supply money.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Warner that the Board add Special Education Intensive Services as priority #13.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Hansen that the Board add a priority of \$500,000 one-time for Kindergarten Assessment below priority #14.

Motion failed, with Members Belnap, Cannon, Gravier and Hansen in favor and Members Boulter, B. Cummins, L. Cummins, Huntsman, Lear, Neilson, Riebe and Warner opposed.

MOTION was made by Member Warner and seconded by member B. Cummins that the Board move the SafeUT priority to #14 above Digital Teaching and Learning.

Motion failed, with Members Belnap, Hansen and Warner in favor and Members Boulter, Cannon, B. Cummins, L. Cummins, Graviet, Huntsman, Lear, Neilson and Riebe opposed.

MOTION was made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Graviet that the Board move the ongoing funds prioritized for Teacher Leader and Digital Teaching and Learning into the WPU request.

Sarah Young, USBE Digital Teaching and Learning Specialist, was asked to address the Board concerning the Digital Teaching and Learning program. She explained that current funds are used to fund three-year plans, and a reduction would affect those plans.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Boulter that the Digital Teaching and Learning funding be removed from the motion.

Motion to amend carried.

Motion carried.

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Cannon that the Board accept the priorities list, as amended, and request that Board leadership take the list to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member B. Cummins and seconded by Member Lear that staff talk with the sponsor of SafeUT and request that the \$600,000 ask come out of the General Fund.

Motion to amend carried.

Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Legislation

A tracking sheet of legislative-related bills was provided for Board information. [For complete details see General Exhibit No. 17-60.]

Representative Bruce Cutler reviewed HB 114 *Local School Entity Amendments*. The purpose of the legislation is to clarify references to local school boards, charter school governing boards, and local education agencies. [For complete details see General Exhibit No. 17-61.]

Senator Gene Davis reviewed SB 61 *Students with Disabilities Accommodations Funding*. The bill would require the Board to make rules regarding the disposition of any money appropriated to the Board for services rendered to a student with an autism spectrum disorder. [For complete details see General Exhibit No. 17-62.]

Representative Kay Christofferson reviewed HB 108 *Teacher Salary Supplement Amendments*. The bill amends provisions related to an individual's eligibility for a teacher salary supplement. [For complete details see General Exhibit No. 17-63.]

Graduation Rate

Deputy Superintendent Rich Nye presented options for the Board to calculate the graduation rate in relation to student accountability. [For complete details see General Exhibit No. 17-64.]

MOTION was made by Member Hansen and seconded that the Board approve calculating the graduation rate for accountability using the 4-year plus scored 5-year option.

Motion carried, with Member Cannon opposed.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Member L. Cummins and seconded by Member Belnap that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary
Minutes approved February 10, 2017