

**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**

December 2, 2022
1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

The Utah State Board of Education held a state board meeting electronically on December 2, 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. Chair Huntsman 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
Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent
Leah Voorhies, Assistant Superintendent
Darin Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent

Minutes were taken by:

Cybil Child, Board Secretary

Others Present

USDB Carl Empey, Joel Coleman, Susan Patten, Dr. Michelle Tanner, ASL Interpreter Tony Donny and Jennifer Jackson, USBE Jeff Van Hulten, Jerry Record, Bryan Quesenberry, Bryan, Kelsey James, Andrea Curtin, Debbie Davis, Debbie Davis, and Alex Farah.

Opening Business

Chair Huntsman called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind**FY23 Monthly Budget Update as of October 31, 2022**

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

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Joel Coleman provided an update to board members on USDB events. The Utah School for the Blind, for the third year in a row, invited families from across Utah who have children with low vision to Luminaria. The festival includes a multisensory experience with amazing holiday lights, smells, sounds, and interactive displays at Thanksgiving Point.

The KBS Seniors in Kelly Mauray's Senior Transition Class participated in a mock interview with two case managers from Division of Services of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The students were able to apply their strategies for interviews from working in class in a live interview.

The Utah School for the Blind had the pleasure of meeting starting BYU Cornerback, D'Angelo Mandell. He visited the Bridges Program. He was accompanied by his Sensory Impairment Research Team that is led by Dr. Corinna Tanner.

Study Session**Board Leadership Elections**

MOTION was made by Member Cline and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board vote to establish two vice chairs to serve on board leadership.

The **motion** passed unanimously.

The Board voted for the 2023 USBE Board Chair.

Member James Moss was elected the board chair.

The Board voted for the First Vice Chair.

Member Molly Hart was elected as the first vice chair.

The Board voted for the Second Vice Chair.

Member Jennie Earl was elected as the second vice chair.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Cybil Child, Board Secretary

Minutes were approved January 12, 2023