

## Summary of Utah State Board of Education Actions

August 2, 2013

- The Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.
- Application for the Assessment Item Parent Review Committee was unanimously approved. The Board secretary will send to all board members and post online.
- Recommendations on UPPAC cases 12-1102, 10-987, 11-1001, 13-1117, and 12-1001 were approved unanimously.
- Recommendation on UPPAC case 12-1086 was approved, with Members Johnson and Pyfer opposed.
- Motion to accept recommendation on UPPAC case 10-961 failed, with Members Thomas, Buswell, Jensen, Allen, Corry, Burningham and Roberts in favor, and Members Johnson, Openshaw, Castle, Moss, Groom, Pyfer and Crandall opposed.
- Motion in UPPAC case 10-961 that the board has determined that the recommended disposition does not present a reasonable resolution of the case, and accordingly moves to have certain members of the Board prepare other findings, conclusions, or dispositions passed, with Members Thomas and Burningham opposed. Members Pyfer, Castle and Groom were designated to prepare findings, with the assistance of Kristina Kindl from the A.G.'s office.
- Motion passed unanimously, that the Board thank the School Trust Investment Task Force members for their service and instruct the Superintendent and staff to work to enact legislation to implement, so far as possible, all of the Task Force recommendations. Staff was also instructed to report back to the Board once the legislative session has begun and the bill is numbered. The two trusts designated for the deaf and the blind will also be included in the recommendations.
- Susan Harrah was appointed to the Utah Instructional Materials Commission.
- Motion to adopt professional development for 8<sup>th</sup> grade math teachers as a Tier 1 priority, working in conjunction with the STEM Center, carried unanimously.

- Motion to adopt the one-to-one device initiative as a Tier 1 priority carried unanimously.
- Motion to adopt goal I on increasing student reading proficiency, in its entirety, failed. Members Buswell, Jensen, Allen, Burningham, Corry, Roberts in favor, and Member Thomas, Johnson, Openshaw, Castle, Moss, Groom, and Crandall opposed; Member Pyfer abstained.
- Motion carried to postpone the discussion on setting board priorities and goals (except for a discussion on SB271S3), while still authorizing Superintendent Menlove to take to the USBA the Board's support for a one-to-one device initiative, professional development targeted at 8<sup>th</sup> grade math, and general support for initiatives on increasing student reading proficiency and graduation rates.
- Motion that the Board would support a school grading program if it includes growth for all students failed, with Members Corry, Burningham and Allen in favor, and Members Johnson, Thomas, Openshaw, Castle, Moss, Jensen, Groom, Pyfer and Crandall opposed.
- Motion carried unanimously that the Board hold a special meeting to discuss its priorities. Chair Roberts will send out dates for consideration.
- Rules R277-113, R277-477-4, R277-403, R277-106, and R277-502 were amended and continued as necessary on second reading.
- The Pupil Transportation and Drug and Alcohol Testing Policies and Procedures were unanimously approved.
- A temporary policy was unanimously approved to allow the State Superintendent to authorize contracts under \$100,000 and provide a summary of those actions to the Board on a monthly basis, and to provide 60 days' notice of contract extensions. The Superintendent will also have discretion to bring any contract to the Board.
- Determination of the uniform growth goal for reading was given final approval.
- Approval was given for Pinnacle Canyon Academy, North Davis Jr. High, and Newman Elementary to participate in the Smart School Technology program.
- The Committee tabled discussions on R277-438 *Dual Enrollment* and R277-726 *Statewide Online Education Program*. R277-438 was continued on second reading.

- Preliminary district educator evaluation plans were approved.
- R277-402, R277-405, and R277-473 were repealed on second reading.
- R277-404 and R277-705 were continued, and R277-404 was amended on second reading. Both rules will be brought back for further discussion.
- The Instruction Committee will hold an extra meeting to finish its work on the Bylaws.