

# UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MINUTES

September 11, 1998

Minutes of the meeting of the State Board for Applied Technology Education and the State Board of Education held September 11, 1998, at the Utah State Office of Education, Salt Lake City, Utah. Meeting commenced at 11:15 a.m. Board Chairman Katharine B. Garff presided.

Members present were:

Chairman, Katharine B. Garff  
Vice Chairman, John L. Watson  
Member Linnea S. Barney  
Member Neola Brown  
Member Janet A. Cannon  
Member Cheryl Ferrin  
Member Susan C. Henshaw  
Member C. Grant Hurst  
Member Boyd F. Jensen  
Member Jill G. Kennedy  
Member Joyce W. Richards  
Member Marilyn Shields  
Member Waynette Steel

Member Lynn Haslem was excused.

Also present were:

Executive Officer Scott W. Bean  
Deputy Superintendent Laurie A. Chivers  
Associate Superintendent Robert O. Brems  
Associate Superintendent Steven O. Laing  
Associate Superintendent Jerry P. Peterson  
Executive Director, USOR, Blaine Petersen  
Public Information Officer Eileen Rencher  
Board Secretary Twila B. Affleck

Also present for portions of the Board meeting were:

Members of the Press:

Jennifer Toomer-Cook, Deseret News  
Kathy Kapos, Salt Lake Tribune

Con Rowley, Governor's Office  
Gary Carlston, Governor's Office  
Lee Robinson, Superintendent, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind  
Judy Larson, Citizen  
Kim Burningham, Citizen

Allan Rushton, Citizen  
Steven Barrowes, Southerland Institute  
Paula Plant, State PTA  
Gary Ricks, Legislative Fiscal Analysts Office  
Dennis Mower, Superintendent, North Sanpete School District

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The Board repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Member Janet A. Cannon offered the reverence.

Board secretary Twila B. Affleck recorded the minutes.

Chairman Garff excused Board Member Lynn Haslem.

### **Introduction of Staff**

Deputy Superintendent Laurie A. Chivers introduced the staff of the Internal Accounting and Internal Computer Services sections in the Agency Services Division.

### **Recognitions**

Board Member Linnea S. Barney recognized **Michael Rutter, an English teacher at Provo High School**. Mr. Rutter was selected as **Utah's winner of the 1998 Christa McAuliffe Fellowship Program**. Member Barney noted that the Christa McAuliffe Fellowship Program is funded through the Council of Chief State School Officers which provides fellowships to outstanding teachers to enable and encourage them to continue their education, to develop innovative programs, to consult with or assist local educational agencies, private schools, or private school systems, and to engage in other education activities that will improve the knowledge and skills of teachers and the education of students.

Mr. Rutter's project involves developing technical reading units for the English curriculum and creating a special technical reading (and writing) course.

Board Member Linnea S. Barney recognized **Provo High Schools career guidance team, Mrs. Dawn Kay and Mr. Bruce Evans**, who were selected as a co-winner of the **U.S. Army's "Planning for Life" national award for 1998**. The program is designed to spotlight exemplary career planning programs across the nation. Mrs. Kay and Mr. Evans received an all expense paid trip to the American School Counselor Association conference in San Antonio, Texas in June to receive the award. In addition, the Provo High School guidance program will be featured in an upcoming compendium of exemplary career planning programs.

Major Audrey Hudgins from the U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion in Salt Lake City presented the award. Major Hudgins also presented coins (for special recognition) to Bruce Evans, Jennefer Hyde, Sam Ray, and Scott Ward from Provo School District.

Vice Chairman John L. Watson recognized two Utah State Office of Education employees in the School Finance and Statistics Section, **Patty Bowles and Deanna Timothy** who recently received the **"1998 Outstanding Achievement Award" presented by the United States Department of Education**. This award is based on timely and accurate reporting of statistical data used by NCES in preparing many of the national reports published annually by the United States Department of Education.

Vice Chairman Watson expressed appreciation to these two women for their diligence, dedication, and hard work.

Vice Chairman Watson also recognized **Pat Adams** (just retired) and **Shaunna Ford** who received the **1998 Outstanding Achievement Award for Timeliness and Accuracy in Financial Reporting**.

Vice Chairman Watson noted that Utah is one of only five states receiving both the Financial and Statistical Awards for the 1998 reporting year.

Chairman Katharine B. Garff recognized **Kay McDonough for her service on the Board the past five and a half years**. Chairman Garff presented Ms. McDonough with a school bell plaque and a bouquet of roses from the Board Members.

## **Executive Officer Report**

State Superintendent Scott W. Bean presented the following items of information:

**Teacher of the Year Recognition Banquet** -- Dr. Bean announced that the Teacher of the Year Banquet will be held Friday, September 25, 1998 6:00 p.m. at the Joseph Smith Memorial Building. He encouraged Board Members to attend if possible.

Dr. Bean distributed and reviewed a chart "**Doing What Matters Most: Investing in Quality Teaching**". (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 7992.) He noted that these statistics indicate that professional development is critical, and this is one of the reasons he has made the recommendations he has as an area we need to work on.

Dr. Bean distributed a copy of a comparison of Utah school districts' **high school graduation requirements**. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 7993.) The State Board requirements are 24 units, of those 14-1/2 are required and 9-1/2 are electives. Dr. Bean reviewed the requirement differences between the districts and the Board. He noted that many districts are requiring more than the 24 units. He noted that three-fourths of the districts are requiring 4 units of Language Arts. He recommended that the Board consider making Language Arts 4 units. The same scenario also for computer science. He suggested that the Curriculum Division review the courses and not just add another English class but look at the possibility of having an in-depth writing course, forensics, speaking or something similar to ensure that the requirement be a solid subject that would prepare students. Dr. Bean indicated that this could be initiated next year, with freshmen students.

Dr. Bean also reviewed the differences in the electives, and noted that districts that have increased their elective areas have not done so in the area of academics. He felt this is wrong and there needs to be changes made to increase the academic portion of the curriculum.

**National Center for Educational Statistics** -- "Indicators of Children's Well-Being Education" -- "Family Reading to Young Children". Dr. Bean distributed a copy of this which indicated the effects of reading to young children and the effect it has on them, especially how often it is accomplished. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 7994.)

**State Board of Education Candidates** -- Dr. Bean distributed a copy of the state board of education candidates and the order of the draw for placement of their name on the ballot.

**Inservice** -- Dr. Bean reported that on a yearly basis he has several opportunities for inservice activities, especially through the Council of Chief State School Officers. He has also been interested in having the 40 district superintendents receive inservice. We have worked with them on providing resources for having these inservice activities. This past August there was an inservice for all superintendents presented by Dr. David Walsh on media, particularly television, and how it affects children. Dr. Walsh has written a book "Selling Out America's Children". Dr. Bean recommended that the Board invite Dr. Walsh for a full-day inservice and possibly invite other education and parent organizations and the media.

**Speaking Invitations** -- Dr. Bean reported that he has been invited to share his planning recommendations to different groups and since Cedar City he has presented it to 10 or 12 groups. After these presentations he has never found any group, even the secondary principals group, that is against it. He asked Paula Plant from the PTA how she felt it was received by the PTA. Mrs. Plant commented that the phone calls they have received about it, have been very positive, and they feel that a great deal of thought had gone into it.

Member Grant Hurst reported that he had recently read a newspaper article wherein a high school principal was quoted as saying that the State Superintendent was out of touch with needs of rural Utah and with the needs of school children in the state. He commented that as a businessman, the thing that has happened in the stock market is based on international economics, and he feels strongly that the Board needs to ensure that we backup what our superintendent is saying. Mr. Hurst continued that our children are competing with kids from China, Japan, Europe, etc., and we need to make sure we stand behind this decision and strengthen our children's ability to compete for jobs.

Chairman Garff commented that we have receive overwhelming positive responses about these proposals, once people understand it is an academic achievement program and how an extended day is a means of attaining this. She expressed appreciation to the PTA and other groups who are providing an arena for the Superintendent to explain this proposal in more detail. Member Cheryl Ferrin questioned what would be the best avenue to get the word out to the people of Utah?

Vice Chairman John Watson commented that the people that are unhappy are those that are uninformed. He felt it was incumbent upon each board member to make sure it is disseminated out in their individual areas, and talked about with our constituents each day. He suggested that each Board Member take the responsibility of getting this message out.

Superintendent Bean commented that we need to help people understand that it is increasing the academic standards K-12, increasing the professional competence of teachers when they graduate from colleges and universities, and requiring continued professional development.

### **Board Chairman Report**

There was no report from the Chairman.

### **Performance of Utah Students in the American College Test, Scholastic Assessment Test, and Advanced Placement Programs**

Barbara Lawrence, Coordinator, Evaluation and Assessment presented the 1998 results recently released by the American College Testing Program (ACT), the Scholastic Assessment Testing Program (SAT), and the Advanced Placement Program (AP). Dr. Lawrence reviewed the findings and discussed the performance trends in each of these important measurement programs. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 7995.)

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Janet A. Cannon to receive the report with commendation to Dr. Lawrence and her colleagues for critical information that will help us guide the establishment of curriculum and direction for the coming year. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Videotape Encouraging Middle School Students: A Partnership Between Nu Skin International, KUTV, Utah State Office of Education, and Provo School District**

Jill Montoya, Specialist, Public Awareness, reported that Nu-Skin International Inc., KUTV, The Utah State Office of Education, and Provo School District have partnered to produce a one-half hour School-to-Careers motivational video intended to influence middle school students to make the most of their education experiences. The video features such well-known individuals as Governor Michael Leavitt, Paul Cox, LaVell Edwards, Jon Huntsman, Florence Joyner, Blake Roney, Robert Urich, and Steve Young. The focus is on bolstering students' self-esteem, maximizing education and career opportunities, and staying in school.

Ms. Montoya and Mr. Rod Crockett, School-to-Careers Director, Provo School District presented a short overview of the project and showed excerpts of the video entitled "Tomorrow Begins Today For The Pathway to Success." (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 7996.)

Mr. Crockett introduced Cyndee Hansen and Scott Ward of the Provo High School who have also been involved in the school-to-careers program in Provo District and the production of this video.

Motion was made by Member Susan C. Henshaw and seconded by Member Waynette Steel to receive the report with commendation to Nu-Skin, KUTV, staff and the Provo School District. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Utah State Office of Rehabilitation/Department of Workforce Services Study**

Blaine Petersen, Executive Director, Utah State Office of Rehabilitation, presented issues regarding a study which is to be conducted during FY99 to see if the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation should be consolidated with the Department of Workforce Services. He noted that this issue was a provision in House Bill 475, Workforce Services Act, passed in 1996 by the Utah Legislature. (For complete details of the information, see General Exhibit No. 7997.)

Superintendent Bean commented that Vocational Rehabilitation is basically an education and training function--it is not a job placement function. Job placement comes at the end of the education and training. We have felt, as do probably the majority of the states in the nation, that the Department of Education is the proper place for rehabilitation to be housed and under the direction of the State Board of Education. However, this study is required as part of the legislation that created the Department of Workforce Services.

Superintendent Bean further commented that he felt there would be a decrease in performance levels if rehabilitation was moved because there is flexibility and independence that has promoted a great deal of the productivity and positive outcomes. Vice Chairman John Watson questioned if it would be appropriate for the board to send a message to legislators about our desires in this issue. Dr. Petersen indicated that there would be a point in time that will be appropriate, and this report is just to raise the Board's awareness of what is going on. At a later date we will need a resolution from the Board relative to where this is going.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman John Watson and seconded by Member Susan C. Henshaw to receive the report, with a comment that we are very aware of what is taking place and we will do whatever possible to facilitate the State Office of Rehabilitation staying under the auspices of the State Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Board Committee Reports**

### **Planning, Finance, & Legislation Committee**

Board Member Jill G. Kennedy, Chairman of the Planning, Finance, & Legislation Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

The Committee met with special authorization from the full Board (June 12, 1998) to consider and award **Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century status** and up to three charters to **applicants to be charter schools**.

The Committee approved 29 applicants (28 from Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century funds and one from discretionary funds) for funding as Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Motion from the Committee that the Board ratify these designations. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Hurst absent.

The Committee considered five applications for charter school designation, along with the rankings of a review committee which had considered the applications earlier, and comments received from affected school districts. Subsequently comments from two school districts have been received and copies distributed to Board Members. The Committee approved two applications of the five submitted: The Jean Massieu School (grades P-3) which will be located in either the Jordan or Granite School Districts and emphasize American Sign Language as the method of instructional communication with English being taught in its visual form, and the Tuacahn High School for the Performing Arts (grades 10-12) located in

Washington County School District. Each school was awarded \$62,500 in startup funds contingent upon meeting conditions specified by the Committee.

Motion from the Committee that the Board ratify the approvals of the Jean Massieu and Tuacahn High School for the Performing Arts as charter schools, both to begin operation in the fall of 1999. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Kennedy noted that on the three other applications, there were problems with compliance and the committee made some fairly detailed comments which were sent back to the applicants and encouraged them to make those corrections and apply again if they want to.

### **Certification Committee Agenda**

The Committee reviewed the recommendation of the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission in Case No. 96-387 that the Commission concurs in the recommendation of the hearing panel and hearing officer following a hearing that the certificate of Janet Shaw Ward, a former teacher in Alpine School District be revoked. Ms. Ward was convicted of second-degree felony child abuse and Class A misdemeanor child abuse.

Motion from the Committee that the State Board of Education revoke the certificate of Janet Shaw Ward, a former teacher in Alpine School District for conduct unbecoming a professional educator evidenced by conviction for child abuse of her own children. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee reviewed the requests for temporary authorizations and moves that the Board approve the requests for temporary authorizations identified in the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

(For complete details of the Certification Committee Agenda, see General Exhibit No. 7998.)

### **State Strategic Plan for Education**

The amended State Strategic Plan for Public Education was presented and reviewed by the Committee. The Committee made minor amendments by deleting extraneous paragraph, inserting a brief introductory statement to the 12 goals, and modifying goal #7 to include "define" high standards. (For complete details of the amended document, see General Exhibit No. 8000.)

The Committee approved the Plan and moves that the Board approve the State's Strategic Plan for Public Education.

Member Janet Cannon voiced concern that some of the things that were in the previous strategic plan have been left out of this one, in particular, school choice, excellent educators for all students in all classrooms, etc. She felt the document present was extremely brief.

Superintendent Bean commented that most of the things that were in the old plan, such as school choice, are in the law. Therefore, it doesn't need to be in the plan. Dr. Bean indicated that it was brief on purpose. The Education Strategic Planning Task Force felt it should be because under the old document, principally you had to be highly motivated to read through the document. He felt that everyone will read this and understand it, and it gives more flexibility to local districts to define how to do things. It also eliminates unrealistic things that cannot be accomplished. He complimented the Education Strategic Planning Task Force on a great job to make the document more useful as a document for districts and the State Board.

Member Boyd Jensen questioned if there was a way to talk about employment skills in the

document? Chairman Garff commented that the members on the committee from the business community felt this concern was accomplished through Goals 11 and 12.

Member Janet Cannon voiced concern on Goal #1 about innovative approaches and not proven practices or proven research.

Chairman Garff commented that this leaves a lot to site-based management so they can put their own creativity in the classroom. It also gives us an opportunity to review their practices and possibly show them a better way.

Chairman Garff noted that every goal is now being addressed, and we already have some things in place to address most of these concerns. There are a lot of programs in place that we now just need to refine.

Member Janet A. Cannon offered an amendment to the motion to change the wording in Goal #1, to: "We will eliminate the negative impact of large class size through research based innovative approaches."

Superintendent Bean felt this would be limiting. He suggested: "research based and other innovative approaches."

Member Cannon commented that in education we have a reputation for the program of the week or we are all going to do this new thing now. She felt that brings upon us condemnation from teachers and the public. They are looking and counting on us to do things that are proven practices.

Amendment to the motion was seconded by Member Waynette Steel for discussion.

Member Joyce Richards spoke against the amendment commenting that she understood the concerns, but this isn't as if the whole state of Utah is going to go off on a tangent, it is simply that a school can try something different. She could not see any reason to change it.

Amended Motion failed.

Original motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Cannon opposed.

### **Review of Charter School Application Procedures and Processes**

The Committee reviewed and discussed the procedures and processes used to approve charter school applications. They discussed the role of the Board in evaluating the compliance of the applicant with the law. They felt the process worked well, and appreciated the efforts of those who served on the various committees to review applications. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8000.)

Member Susan Henshaw suggested that in the future they consider ranking the applications on a scale of one to ten. This would provide a ranking based on how they meet the standards rather than against one another.

### **Individual Board Member Input on Budget**

Each member of the Planning, Finance and Legislation Committee provided staff their ranking of the building blocks presented in the committee.

## **Curriculum and Instruction Committee**

Board Member Cheryl Ferrin, Chairman of the Curriculum and Instruction Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

### **Healthy Kids**

Jacqueline Morasco, Education Specialist, presented the results of the 1997 Youth Risk Behavior and 1996 School Health Education Profile surveys: *Is This the Place...for Healthy Kids?* (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8001.) This is financed by the Center For Disease Control. Through all of their findings Utah children ranked very favorably compared nationally, especially with seat belt use and fewer children using alcohol and drugs, and dietary behaviors. There were two areas of concern, one was the high suicide rate. The committee questioned the underlying reasons for this and how it can be addressed in the curriculum. The other concern was that twenty-five percent of the kids have tried marijuana.

Member Jill Kennedy commented that there is no data in the study on sexual behavior from the State of Utah. That part of the survey is not asked in Utah.

Superintendent Bean commented that you could get parental permission to do that, but you have objections by school districts that they do not want to participate, because it causes them grief by the public when it is done.

Superintendent Bean further commented that this is the responsibility of Social Services or the Health Department. If they want to do a random survey, they could do it outside of the school setting.

Member Janet Cannon commented that when the Board participated in an inservice on drugs, etc. the Health Department indicated they were engaged in a study on teen suicide in Utah. She requested that the Board receive the information from that study.

Margaret Rose, Specialist, Comprehensive School Health, reported that the Department of Health has just released the study this week, and she will get that to each Board Member. She noted that the study was done only on those young people who had completed suicide.

Motion from the Committee to receive the report. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Individual Board Member Input on Budget**

Each member of the Curriculum and Instruction Committee provided staff their ranking of the building blocks presented in the committee.

## **Applied Technology and Rehabilitation Committee**

Board Member Susan C. Henshaw, Chairman of the Applied Technology and Rehabilitation Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

### **Annual ATC/ATCSR Performance Review**

Dr. Marvin Johnson, Specialist, ATC/ATCSR Management Information Systems, who recently completed the annual review of membership hours, placements and competencies in the five ATCs and four ATCSRs provided an overview of the fiscal year 1998 information collected. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8002.)

Motion from the Committee that the State Board for Applied Technology Education approve the report of FY 1998 ATC/ATCSR membership hours, placements and competencies. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Summer Applied Technology Education Discussion**

The Committee discussed the results of evaluations completed by participants, local directors, USOE staff and State Board members of the Utah Applied Technology Education Conference this year. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8003.) The committee further discussed the direction for the 1999 conference based upon this data.

Member Henshaw expressed appreciation all who participated in the conference. She recommended that Board Members continue to be active in the conference and be given assignments. She reported that it was recommended that the conference dates for next year are August 9-11 for the program.

Motion from the Committee to receive the report. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Hurst absent.

## **Individual Board Member Input on Budget**

Each member of the Applied Technology and Rehabilitation Committee provided staff their ranking of the building blocks presented in the committee.

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## **General Consent Calendar**

Motion was made by Member Waynette Steel and seconded by Member Neola Brown to approve the General Consent Calendar as presented. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Hurst absent.

### 1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting of the State Board for Applied Technology Education and the State Board of Education held July 10, 1998.

### 2. Contracts

#### (1) Art Access/VSA Utah. \$34,000. 11/1/98-10/31/99 -Fed.

Ensure integrated arts for students with disabilities. Train and recruit professional artists to provide direct service to students and provide inservice training to teachers, aides, parents and administrators. Use "Start With the Arts" Curriculum for preschoolers learning basic skills through art.

#### (2) Dr. Dan Morgan. \$13,500. 7/1/97-6/30/99. Fed. - Amend.

Federal Special Ed. Law, I.D.E.A. mandates providing a Comprehensive System of personnel development. Consultant will develop & promote the B.E.S.T. Project (Behavioral Ed. Strategies for Teachers) in rural & urban elem/mid./secondary model sites with regular ed resource/self-contained components. Training will be given to teachers/professional personnel in Utah's ed. System with follow-up and evaluation of sites and personnel skills.

#### (3) Datametrics, Inc. \$17,000. 7/1/98-6/30/99. Amend.

Over the next year we would like to explore the reasons why Project Horizon

participant recidivism rates are significantly lower than non Horizon rates. Our direction will be to merge Department of Corrections data with data from the Department of Employment Security and other state offices. We will continue to utilize statistical models to compare employment earnings and recidivism rates for the Project Horizon parolees with a control group of all peer parolees. This report and any updates will be submitted prior to the expiration of this contract period.

- (4) Perpetual Storage, Inc. \$5,000. 7/1/98-6/30/99. - Amend.

To provide high security, temperature controlled, earthquake proof storage for computer tapes.

- (5) Department of Administrative Services DFCM. \$15,000. 7/1/908-6/30/99 - Fed.

Operating and Maintenance Agreement with the Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing located at 5709 South 1500 West, Taylorsville, Utah.

- (6) Westinghouse Broadcasting Company/KUTV Business. \$115,000. 9/1/97-7/1/99. - Amend.

The State Board of Education and the State Board of Regents have developed a multi-media marketing campaign focused on improving the public's understanding of the state's job market and available in ATE related technical fields.

- (7) ReNae Jessop. \$46,500. 10/1/97-9/30/98. - Fed. - Amend.

To continue a service contract to maintain a statewide training network for the Child Nutrition Program. Amended to provide 100 Family Day Care home visits per month plus administrative costs.

- (8) UW Freight Line, Inc. \$300,000. 10/1/98-9/30/99.

Transportation of USDA Commodities to recipient agencies statewide.

- (9) Davis County Schools Warehouse. \$120,000. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed. - Amend.

Receipt and storage of USDA Commodities.

- (10) Jensen & Keddington. \$87,015. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed. - Amend.

Conduct a data analysis, abstraction and evaluation.

- (11) Bear River Adult Skill Center. \$3,600. 7/1/98-6/30/01. - Fed.

Janitorial services for a three year period for the Division of Rehabilitation Services office located at 695 South Main, Brigham City, Utah.

- (12) Division of Facilities Construction & Management. \$72,684. 7/1/98-6/30/99. - Amend.

Operating and Maintenance Agreement with DFCM and Utah State Office of Rehabilitation, UIB Building located at 1595 West 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

- (13) Richfield Partners I, LLC. \$72,429.60. 9/1/98-8/31/03. - Fed.

Lease of Division of Rehabilitation Services, Richfield office, located at 1100 South Highway 89, Richfield, Utah.

- (14) Asay Advertising. \$30,000. 7/1/98-7/31./99. - Amend.

Legislative mandate to develop a multimedia campaign focusing on current labor market information and the excellent training opportunities available through ATE. The campaign will improve the awareness of job opportunities and skills necessary to compete in a global economy.

- (15) American Freight Payers. \$2,500. 10/1/96-9/30/99. - Amend.

Pre-audit of freight bills of lading for shipment of USDA Commodities.

- (16) Utah Dept. Of Workforce Services. \$41,969. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To fund staff to provide Job Placement Services to USOR Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker clients.

- (17) BOOST Inc. \$79,941. 10/10/98-10/1/99. - Amend.

To operate and facilitate the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities.

- (18) Washington School District. \$84,004. 7/1/98-6/30/99.

To provide the services of the principal of Bloomington Hills School to act as Director of the Utah Principals Academy for 1998-99.

- (19) Rick DuFour. \$3,330. 9/14/98-9/16/98.

To secure consultant for a two day Fellows Seminar.

- (20) Governor's Council for People with Disabilities. \$41,240.- Fed. - Amend.

Provide funds and operating guidelines for a statewide information and referral program (ACCESS UTAH NETWORK) to meet information needs for persons with disabilities and their families in the State of Utah. The program will be administered by the Utah Governor's Council for People With Disabilities.

- (21) Utah Department of Workforce Services. \$119,880. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To provide cooperative job search and placement assistance to eligible Division of Rehabilitation clients in eleven (11) counties.

- (22) Red Rock Center for Independent. \$203,575. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To provide Independent Living and Assistive Technology services to individuals with severe disabilities residing in the Southern Utah Independent Living Rehabilitation District.

- (23) Utah Statewide Independent Living Council. \$75,270. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To provide resources to the independent living program in accordance with Title VII Part B and the State Plan for Independent Living.

- (24) OPTIONS For Independence. \$246,976. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To provide Independent Living and Assistive Technology services to individuals with severe disabilities residing in the Northern Utah Independent Living Rehabilitation District.

- (25) Utah Independent Living Center. \$161,202. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To provide Independent Living services and Assistive Technology services to individuals with severe disabilities residing in the Wasatch Front Utah Independent Living Rehabilitation District.

- (26) Active Re-Entry. \$246,976. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed.

To provide Independent Living and Assistive Technology services to individuals with severe disabilities residing in the Eastern Utah Independent Living Rehabilitation District.

- (27) University of Utah Health Science Center. \$46,478. 10/1/98-9/30/99. - Fed. - Amend.

To provide Rehabilitation Engineering services to individuals referred by the Division of Rehabilitation and Independent Living programs. Area of service is the state.

- (28) Kurt and Linda Sorensen. \$0. 5/1/98-3/31/01. - Fed. - Amend.

Amended to change the lessor from Bryan & Pamela Nielson to Kurt & Linda Sorensen, 486 Locust Avenue, Delta, Utah. For the office space of the Rehabilitation Services office located at 520 East Topaz Blvd., Delta, Utah.

(For complete details of the Contracts, see General Exhibit No. 8004.)

3. SBR/SBE Joint Liaison Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Joint SBR/SBE Liaison Committee Meetings held June 30, 1998 were approved and actions of the Joint Liaison Committee were ratified. (For complete details of the Minutes, see General Exhibit No. 8005.)

4. Minutes of the Joint Education Interim Committee, Utah State Board of Education and State Board of Regents

Minutes of the Joint Education Interim Committee, Utah State Board of Education and State Board of Regents held July 9, 1998 were approved by the Board. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8006.)

5. Rehabilitation Services Center Building Name

Administrative Services, Facilities Construction and Management Rule R23-10-3, indicates that the State Board of Education will approve building names for state public education facilities. In line with this policy and after discussions with Utah State Office of Rehabilitation staff and others associated with USOR, it is proposed that the old UIB Building after remodeling be named, **Judy Ann Buffmire, Rehabilitation Service Center**. The State Board of Education approved naming the old UIB Building the Judy Ann Buffmire Rehabilitation Service Center.

6. District Career Ladder Plans Approval

The following Districts have met the requirements set by the State Board for their 1998-99 Career Ladder Plans. Each plan has been submitted on a standard form and carefully reviewed by the State Career Ladder Review Committee: One Year--Box Elder, Daggett, Jordan, Logan City, Morgan, Murray, North Sanpete, Ogden City, Piute, Salt Lake City, San Juan, Sevier, South Summit, Tintic, Tooele, and Weber School Districts, Davis, Ogden-Weber Applied Technology Centers and the Edith Bowen Lab School. Two Year--Wasatch School District. Three Year--Alpine, Carbon, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Millard, Provo, and Washington School Districts. The Board approved the 1998-99 Career Ladder funding for the agencies listed above. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8007.)

7. Distribution of Funds for Charter Schools, Rule R277-470

Rule R277-470 conceptualizes financing charter schools, including transportation. The Board approved Rule R277-470 on first and second reading at their July 10, 1998 meeting. The State Board of Education approved Rule R277-470, Distribution of Funds for Charter Schools on third and final reading. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8008.)

8. Emergency Preparedness Plan, Rule R277-400

To accommodate the changes that have been made in the fire code regarding fire drills in the schools, Rule R277-400 was changed to incorporate these changes. It will also allow schools to prepare an effective emergency preparedness program by giving them more time to prepare. The Board approved Rule R277-400 on first and second reading at their July 10, 1998 meeting. The State Board of Education approved Rule R277-400, Emergency Preparedness Plan on third and final reading. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8009.)

9. Accreditation of Schools, Rule R277-410

Rule R277-410, Accreditation of Schools was changed to provide for the acceptance of subject matter credit received from private schools by public schools. The change also establishes criteria by which a private school is evaluated for accreditation by the Utah State Board of Education. The Board approved Rule R277-410 on first and second reading at their July 10, 1998 meeting. The State Board of Education approved Rule R277-410, Accreditation of Schools on third and final reading. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8010.)

10. Administrative Rule Review

Under provisions of 63-46a-9, U.C.A. 1953, all administrative rules shall be reviewed every five years. There may be minor nonsubstantive changes within these rules. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8011.) The following rule was reviewed and approved:

R277-460 Distribution of Substance Abuse Prevention Account

11. Negotiated Agreement Between The Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Education Association, and the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind 1998-99

The Negotiated Agreement between the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Education Association, and the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind for the 1998-99 school year was presented. The agreement has been endorsed by the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Institutional Council and the USDB Education Association. The State Board of Education approved the Negotiated Agreement for the 1998-99 school year. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8012.)

12. Utah State Board of Education Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities (USBEACH) Proposed Bylaw Changes

Due to changes in the reauthorization of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (I.D.E.A.), the Utah State Board of Education Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities (USBEACH) reviewed its Bylaws and determined it would be necessary to make some changes. Proposed changes address the new requirements for membership of the committee, previously approved by the Board. A copy of the Bylaws and the proposed changes was presented. (For complete details of the Bylaws and changes, see General Exhibit No. 8013.) The State Board of Education approved the changes to the Utah State Board of Education Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities (USBEACH) as proposed.

13. Ratification of Employment

Kelly Ann Clark was ratified as an Educational Specialist, Law Related, Planning and Project Services Division.

J. Randall Upton was ratified as an Educational Specialist, School Finance, Agency Services Division.

14. Performance Auditor Salary Adjustment

The Board approved a two-step increase for the Performance Auditor in November, 1997 that was subsequently disapproved by the Director, Department of Human Resource Management for Utah.

Subsequently, the Board requested and DHRM approved moving the Performance Auditor from Pay Category 1 to Pay Category III, thus allowing the Board to set the salary.

The incumbent, Kent F. Mohlman, is currently on Longevity Step 66-L2 (\$27.58 per hr.). Increasing his salary by 2.75% to \$28.33 per hour will accomplish the Board's November intent.

The Board approved a 2.75% increase in salary for the Performance Auditor effective 7/10/98.

15. Secretary to the State Board of Education Salary Adjustment

Based upon the evaluation of Twila B. Affleck, Secretary to the State Board of Education, the Board approved an administrative salary increase of 2.75% (or 1 step) effective July 10, 1998.

16. List of Applicants for Certificates

A summary of the list of applicants for initial and renewal certificates was approved. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8014.)

17. Claims Report

The Claims Reports in the amounts of \$144,029,190.17, and \$126,083,967.73 ending July 31, 1998 and August 31, 1998 respectively were approved by the Board. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8015.)

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**Other Business**

Superintendent Bean commented to the Board that at our meeting today we had an individual that brought

a **camcorder to record the entire meeting**. The individual also took the camcorder into a committee meeting. He indicated that some states allow that type of thing and there are states where the law is silent with respect to it. Where the law is silent with respect to it it has to do with the consent of the board or the chair to allow that to occur. Dr. Bean suggested that the Board go by the type of procedure it has had in the past which is to not allow recorders or camcorders. He indicated that he had suggested that **in accordance with past practice of the Board** that Doug Bates talk to the individual and indicate that the Board has not allowed that to occur. He explained that an individual filming or recording the entire meeting does not seem to serve any purpose. This also applies to committee meetings, and the chair of the committee has the discretion to explain that you wish not to have meeting recorded.

Associate Superintendent Rob Brems reported that a **Wasatch Front South ATC Steering Committee has been established** and has met twice. The steering committee consists of six State Board Members, Board Chairs from each of the five school districts, Superintendents of the School Districts and some businessmen who are on the ATC Advisory Committee. Under the direction of the public relations and awareness subcommittee the committee made a trip to Bridgerland ATC. This was successful because a number of the local board members had only heard about the ATCs and have never seen one. There are five subcommittees, one is looking at selecting sites for two centers in Salt Lake County and one branch campus in Tooele County; the public awareness and public relations; legislative and political strategy; facility and programming; and articulation of programs. The Steering Committee will meet again on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Member Grant Hurst voiced concern that the Jordan School District had not been participating in this process and he hoped there would be some avenue that would encourage them to become a part of this group.

Member Marilyn Shields reported that the Utah School Boards Academy is currently being held and she has attended portions of that. She encouraged new Board Members, especially, to attend this academy next year.

Member Shields also reported that she had attended the Utah School Boards Association Delegate Assembly and they are very divided on the charter schools law suit issue.

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## **Executive Session**

Motion was made by Vice Chairman John L. Watson and seconded by Member Jill G. Kennedy to move into executive session to discuss personnel, litigation, and land acquisition issues. The Board was polled and by unanimous consent of those present [Neola Brown absent], the Board moved into Executive Session at 3:40 p.m.

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Vice Chairman John L. Watson to close executive session. Motion carried. The Board reconvened into open meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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## **Board Meeting**

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Janet A. Cannon to approve the recommendation staff that the **Davis ATC donate property to the Davis School District to construct a child care facility**, with appropriate restrictive covenants and reversionary clauses in the deed to allow the construction project to proceed immediately. This in accordance with letters of understanding from the Utah Division of Facilities Construction and Management and the Utah State Senate. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No.8016.) Cannon. Motion carried with Members Barney, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Brown absent.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman John L. Watson and seconded by Member C. Grant Hurst to approve the recommendations for appointment to the following Advisory Committees: **State Advisory Committee on Teacher Education (SACTE)** to appoint Michael Paskewicz, Danny Talbot, Kaye Moos, Dee Jensen, and Douglas Pardon. **Disability Determination Services Advisory Council** to appoint Leona Lancaster and Rosemary Lysaght. **Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Advisory Council**, appoint Jeff Allen, Lance Wilkerson, and Fred von Niederhauser. **Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired Advisory Council**, appointed Kris Copx, Maurice Bowman, Pat Gann and reappointed Richard Jewkes. Motion carried with Members Barney, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor, Member Brown absent.

### **Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Treasurer**

Motion was made by Member John Watson and seconded by Member Marilyn Shields to appoint Vicki S. Bell Treasurer for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind. Motion carried with Members Barney, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Jensen, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Brown absent.

Chairman Garff expressed appreciation to Member Kennedy for arranging the tour of programs at West High School this morning.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

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