Utah State Office of Education COMMITTEE OF PRACTITIONERS Date: December 2, 2009	The Mission of Public Education: 1. Ensuring literacy and numeracy for all Utah children; 2. Providing high quality instruction for all Utah children; 3. Establishing curriculum with high standards and relevance for all Utah children; 4. Requiring effective assessment to inform high quality instruction and accountability.	
Discussion Item	**Notes**	**Conclusions / Follow-up**
Present - Janet Gibbs, USOE; Louise Herman, Our Lady of Lourdes; Rebecca Donaldson, USOE; Ann White, USOE; Barbara Smith, Utah PIRC; Karen Ballif, USOE; John Jesse, USOE; J. Dale Christensen, Jordan School Board; Brenda Bates, Salt Lake School District; Aleida Velazquez, Community Rep/Parent; Travis Cook, USOE; Tim Taylor, Principal, Iron School District; Mary Kay Kirkland, Box Elder School District; Lorna Larsen, S. Sanpete School District, Rob Averett, Granite School District; Karl Wilson, USOE, Meeting Director. Visitors – Steve Schofield, Early Start; Nancy Livingston, USOE. Excused – Lynne Greenwood, Rita Brock, Max Lang, Kim Dohrer, Charlene Lui, Mary Anne Hatch, Kathy Furse		
Overview of Title I and the role of the Committee of Practitioners		
Title I Federal Monitoring Report response 1. Core Curriculum Guide K-6 for Parents 2. Title I Parent brochures 3. Private Schools 4. Title I Set-Aside for Homeless	1. Dr. Nancy Livingston presented newly developed Core Curriculum Guides for Parents, and talked about the previously distributed list of top 100 Books for suggested reading. 2. Ann White presented the Parental informational Brochures developed to explain Title I services. 3. Title I funding requirements for Private School students were discussed and questioned whether LEAs really meeting requirements. 4. Kreig Kelley reviewed the Set-Aside requirement of LEA funding, and distributed the worksheet required as well as the monitoring schedule.	1. Notification will be sent to COP members when posted to the web page. 2. Notification will be sent to COP members when posted to the web page. 3. Check with LEAs to ensure compliance
Even Start Federal Indicators	Karen Ballif discussed Utah Literacy Performance indicators are set by SEA, and currently above normal range utilized by other states, therefore like indicators appear below average because of higher threshold expectations. Karen asked the board to consider revising Utah indicators to align more with national standards.	Barbara Smith motions for approval to move Utah indicators more in line with other states, Mary Kay seconds motion, and motion approved by Committee.

School Improvement 1. Schools & Districts in Improvement 09-10 2. School Improvement Grants 3. Distinguished Schools	1. Ann White presented AYP Improvement status on Schools and LEAs 2. Ann explained the one time funding schools in improvement receive to assist institutions in meeting federal standards. Ann asked for Board to consider sustaining funding program.	2. J. Dale motions for approval to sustain the one time funding to Schools in Improvement, Tim Taylor seconds motion, and motion carried by Committee to approval.
American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) 1. Title I Implications 2. Supplemental Title I School Improvement Grants 3. Race To The Top (RTTT)	1. In January, there will be a federal ARRA review of implementation of funds with a visit, an audit, which will be hosted by USOE. 2. See #2 above 3. Karl explained about the RTTT competitive federal grant process where the SEA and LEAs would form a co-op. The draft application from the SEA should be available in a few weeks, in the mean time, work will progress on building correlation between LEA and SEA goals. The federal grant should be approximately $250 million.	
Utah Consolidated Application Progress • Phase I • Phase II Considerations	With Phase I complete, Karl is asking the board to assist in identifying the continuation of Phase II planning and development goals. In consideration will be the USOE use of a portion of federal funds unexpended school improvement funds reallocated from LEAs which will cover $200,000 for Phase II updates of UCA. Updates will include: • Schools identified as in need of improvement plans • LEA utilized school level planning for these schools • Implementation of the 'filing cabinet' feature	Mary Kay motions for approval of consideration, Barbara Smith seconds the motion and the motion is carried by Committee to approval.

<u>Future Meetings scheduled from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.</u>

February 3, 2010 at the USOE in South Board Room

April 7, 2010 at the USOE in South Board Room

June 2, 2010 at the USOE in South Board Room