

**LEGISLATIVE MEETING OF THE
UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

February 24, 2011

Members Present:

Chair Debra G. Roberts (by phone)
Vice Chair Dixie L. Allen (by phone)
Member Laurel O. Brown
Member Kim R. Burningham
Member Keith M. Buswell (by phone)
Member Janet A. Cannon
Member Leslie B. Castle
Member Craig E. Coleman (by phone)
Member David L. Crandall
Member Carol A. Murphy
Member C. Mark Openshaw
Member Tami W. Pyfer
Member David L. Thomas

Member Janet Cannon, Chair of the Board's Instruction, Technology, and Support Committee, conducted the meeting, and called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Legislation

Civics Education Amendments, HB 220 and Restoration of American Heritage Curriculum, HB 322 - Motion was made by Member Carol Murphy and seconded by Member Mark Openshaw that the Board oppose HB 220 *Civics Education Amendments* and HB 322 *Restoration of American Heritage Curriculum*, with the comment that the bills are an intrusion into State Board governance.

Motion was amended by Member David Thomas and seconded by Member Mark Openshaw that the Board oppose HB 220 and HB 322, with comment that the bills are unnecessary, and that the cost is unnecessary given the current economic situation.

Motion was made by Member Kim Burningham and seconded by Member Tami Pyfer that the bills be considered as separate motions. The question was divided.

Amended motion to oppose HB 220 as unnecessary carried, with Members Allen,

Brown, Buswell, Cannon, Castle, Murphy, Openshaw, Pyfer, and Thomas in favor and Members Burningham, C. Coleman, and Crandall opposed.

Amended motion to oppose HB 322 *Restoration of American Heritage Curriculum* as unnecessary failed, with Members Allen, Crandall, Roberts, and Thomas in favor.

Original motion to oppose HB 322 based on Board governance carried, with Members Allen, Brown, Burningham, Buswell, Cannon, Castle, Murphy, Openshaw, Pyfer, Roberts, and Thomas in favor, and Members C. Coleman and Crandall opposed.

Charter School Students' Participation in Extracurricular Activities, SB 235 1st Substitute - Motion was made by Member David Thomas and seconded by Member Laurel Brown that the Board support SB 235 1st Substitute *Charter School Students' Participation in Extracurricular Activities*. Motion carried with Members Allen, Brown, Burningham, Castle, C. Coleman, Crandall, Openshaw, Pyfer, and Thomas in favor and Member Members Buswell, Cannon, Murphy, and Roberts opposed.

Education Amendments, HB 123 - Representative Kenneth Sumsion was welcomed to the meeting. He discussed HB 123 *Education Amendments*, with the Board.

Governance of Public and Higher Education, SJR 9 - Chair Roberts reviewed a draft letter she prepared to go to the Governor and Legislature regarding the Board's opposition to SJR 9 *Governance of Public and Higher Education*.

Motion was made by Member Mark Openshaw and seconded by Member Laurel Brown that Board leadership, after considering the input of Board members, send the letter at their discretion on behalf of the Board. Motion carried unanimously. Members Buswell, C. Coleman, and Murphy absent.

Motion was made by Member Mark Openshaw and seconded by Member David Thomas that the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Lorraine Austin, Secretary to the Board
Approved August 5, 2011