# UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

## February 13, 2014

A legislative meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held February 13, 2014 at the Utah State Office of Education, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. Chair David Crandall conducted.

#### Members present:

Chair David L. Crandall 1st Vice Chair David L. Thomas Member Dixie L. Allen Member Kim R. Burningham Member Keith M. Buswell Member Leslie B. Castle Member Freddie Cooper (non-voting) Member Barbara W. Corry

#### Members excused:

Member Marlin Jensen (non-voting) Member Michael Jensen

#### **Executive staff present:**

Martell Menlove, State Superintendent Brenda Hales, Deputy Superintendent Judy Park, Associate Superintendent Member Kristin Elinkowski (non-voting) Member Dan Griffiths Member Heather Groom Member Jennifer Johnson Member Jefferson Moss Member C. Mark Openshaw Member Teresa L. Theurer (non-voting)

Member Debra G. Roberts Member R. Dean Rowley (non-voting)

Bruce Williams, Associate Superintendent Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

## **Others present:**

Jan Ferre, LCPD; Laura Belnap, State Charter School Board; Natalie Grange, USBE; Emilie Wheeler, USBE; Tami Pyfer, Governor's Office; and USOE staff Mary Shumway, Marty Kelly, Michelle Davis, Aaron Brough, Jerry Winkler, Dave Roberts, Carol Lear, and Roxana Orellana.

#### **Call to Order**

Chair David Crandall called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

#### **Discussion with Legislator – Senator Stephenson**

Senator Howard Stephenson and State Auditor John Dougall were welcomed to the meeting. They discussed SB *93 Internal Audit Amendments*. Board members expressed concern over the number of requirements and expenses for small districts.

Senator Stephenson discussed SB 183 *Proficiency Levels of Statewide Assessments*. Board members expressed concern over the use of NAEP, a test using federal standards, the statistical validity of the test, and demographic questions associated with NAEP.

Senator Stephenson asked for input on his school based budgeting bill that will give a school governance committee and principal more control over the spending of their local budgets.

Senator Stephenson also answered questions about the 1 to 1 Device Initiative legislation and SB 34 *Governance of the Utah Education and Workforce Alliance.* 

#### Legislation

Superintendent Menlove reviewed bills affecting public education.

**MOTION** was made by Member Allen and seconded by Member Buswell that the Board support HB 41 *Clean Fuel School Buses and Infrastructure* as long as the funding doesn't come from the Education Fund.

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Kim Burningham and seconded by Member Keith Buswell that the Board support the concept of HB 41.

Motion to amend carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

Motion carried.

**MOTION** was made by Vice Chair Thomas and seconded by Member Openshaw that the Board support SB 38 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute *Snow College Concurrent Education Program.* 

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Allen and seconded by Vice Chair Thomas that the Board designate HB 342 *Power and Duties of the State Board of Education* as unnecessary.

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Johnson that the Board oppose HB 342.

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Without objection, the amendment was made.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Johnson and seconded by Member Openshaw that the Board support SB 93 *Internal Audit Amendments*.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Thomas and seconded by Member Allen that the Board oppose SJR 12 *Joint Resolution on State Superintendent of Public Instruction*.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Allen and seconded by Member Corry that the Board support the concept of SB 40 *Financial and Economic Literacy Amendments*.

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Vice Chair Thomas that a statement be added that the Board will support SB 40 without the ongoing funding piece.

Without objection, the amendment was made.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

MOTION was made by Member Openshaw and seconded by Member Allen that the

Board oppose SB 113 Public Meetings Amendments.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

MOTION was made by Member Burningham and seconded by Member Allen that the

Board oppose HB 81 Parental Review of Statewide Summative Test Questions.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

MOTION was made by Member Burningham and seconded by Member Allen that the

Board support HB 215 Public School Employee Background Checks.

Motion carried; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Corry and seconded by Member Allen that the Board designate HB 239 *Front-line Teachers Data Program* as unnecessary.

Motion carried, with Member Johnson opposed; Member Griffiths and Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Openshaw and seconded by Member Johnson that the Board support HB 286 *Child Sexual Abuse Prevention*.

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**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Burningham and seconded by Member Allen that the Board support the concept of HB 286.

Motion to amend failed, with Members Allen, Burningham, Buswell, Corry, Openshaw, and Thomas in favor, and Members Castle, Crandall, Groom and Johnson opposed; Members Griffiths and Moss absent.

Motion to support carried, with Members Allen and Corry opposed.

**MOTION** was made by Member Burningham and seconded by Member Buswell that the Board support HB 292 *School Grading – Calculation of High School Graduation Rate*.

Motion carried, with Member Griffiths abstaining; Member Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Corry and seconded by Member Allen that the Board oppose SB 157 *School-based Budgeting Amendments*.

Motion failed, with Members Allen, Burningham, Buswell, Castle, Corry, Griffiths and Groom in favor, and Members Crandall, Johnson, Openshaw and Thomas opposed; Member Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Openshaw and seconded by Member Johnson that the Board support HB 221 *School Community Council Revisions*.

Motion carried; Member Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Thomas and seconded by Member Openshaw that the Board support SB 101 *Public Education Human Resource Management Amendments*.

Motion carried; Member Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Castle and seconded by Member Allen that the Board oppose SB 151 *Religious Freedom Instruction Requirements.* 

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Groom that the Board take no position and invite Senator Reid to discuss the bill with the Board.

Motion to amend carried; Member Moss absent.

Without objection, amended motion was approved.

**MOTION** was made by Member Thomas and seconded by Member Allen that the Board support SB 103 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute *Local Control of Classroom Time Requirements.* 

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Motion failed, with Members Openshaw and Thomas in favor, and Members Allen, Burningham, Buswell, Castle, Corry, Crandall, Griffiths, Groom and Johnson opposed; Member Moss absent.

**MOTION** was made by Member Burningham and seconded by Member Allen that the Board support SB 118 *School Funding Through Income Tax Revisions*.

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Griffiths and seconded by Member Burningham that the Board support the concept of SB 118 to increase funding through income tax.

Motion to amend failed.

**MOTION TO AMEND** was made by Member Johnson and seconded by Member Openshaw that the Board support SB 118, with the comment that the Board is concerned about how low-income families will be affected.

Motion to amend carried, with Members Burningham, Buswell, Castle, Corry, Crandall, Griffiths, Groom, Johnson, and Openshaw in favor, and Members Allen and Thomas against.

Amended motion carried, with Member Thomas opposed; Member Moss absent.

### **Budget Priorities**

Superintendent Menlove distributed and reviewed the final budget priorities from the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

#### Adjournment

**MOTION** was made by Member Openshaw and seconded by Member Buswell that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary Minutes approved March 7, 2014

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