Utah State Board of Education Legislative Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2014

A legislative meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held February 20, 2014 at the Utah State Office of Education, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. Chair David Crandall conducted.

Board Members present:

Chair David L. Crandall

1st Vice Chair David L. Thomas

Member Dixie L. Allen

Member Kim R. Burningham

Member Leslie B. Castle

Member Barbara W. Corry

Member Kristin Elinkowski (non-voting)

Member Dan Griffiths Member Heather Groom Member Jennifer A. Johnson Member Jefferson Moss Member C. Mark Openshaw Member Debra G. Roberts

Board Members excused:

Member Keith M. Buswell Member Freddie Cooper (non-voting) Member Marlin Jensen (non-voting) Member Michael Jensen Member R. Dean Rowley (non-voting) Member Teresa L. Theurer (non-voting)

Executive staff present:

Martell Menlove, State Supt. Brenda Hales, Deputy Supt. Judy Park, Associate Supt. Bruce Williams, Associate Supt. Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

Others present:

Allison Riddle, Utah Teacher of the Year; Tami Pyfer, Governor's Office; Natalie Grange, USBE; Emilie Wheeler, USBE; USOE staff Roxana Orellana, Keith Lawrence, David Roberts.

Call to Order

Chair David Crandall called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Legislation

The Board discussed HB 131 *Public Education Modernization Act*. Concerns were expressed that the WPU may be reduced if this bill is passed, and several Board members

voiced that commitment needs to remain for the WPU increase approved by the Board in its budget priorities. Vice Chair Thomas responded that the intent is for the funds for this legislation to come from the General Fund.

Discussion with Legislators - Representatives Ivory and Layton

Representative Ken Ivory was welcomed to the meeting. He distributed and reviewed information on HB 109 *Public Education Capital Funding Equalization*. The legislation would take any surplus over the rainy day cap and allocate that portion to the capital outlay enrollment growth. Representative Ivory also talked about setting building standards and federal lands.

Representative Layton was welcomed to the meeting. She distributed information about the Common Core and discussed her legislation, HB 342 *Powers and Duties of the State Board of Education*. The legislation specifies procedures for the development and adoption of core curriculum standards.

Board members responded that the Board has the constitutional power to set the standards, and has a regular standards review process in place.

Legislation

Superintendent Menlove gave an update on budget and legislation affecting education.

MOTION was made by Member Allen and seconded by Member Roberts that the Board support HB 320 *Educators' Professional Learning*.

Motion carried.

MOTION was made by Member Allen and seconded by Member Openshaw that the Board support HB 337 *Teacher Salary Supplement Program Amendments*.

Motion carried.

MOTION was made by Member Johnson and seconded by Member Thomas that the Board support SB 150 *Education Task Force Reauthorization*.

Motion carried.

MOTION was made by Member Griffiths and seconded by Member Openshaw that the Board support HB 109 *Public Education Capital Funding Equalization*.

It was noted that if this bill passes, all of the Board's one-time funding requests would be eliminated.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Burningham and seconded by Member Griffiths that the Board support HB 109 contingent upon implementation not taking place until FY 2016.

Motion to amend carried, with Members Corry and Thomas opposed.

Amended motion failed, with members Allen, Burningham, Griffiths, and Moss in favor, and Members Castle, Corry, Crandall, Groom, Johnson, Openshaw, Roberts, and Thomas opposed.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Member Openshaw that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary Minutes approved March 7, 2014