

**UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES**

December 18, 2017

A special meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held December 18, 2017 at the Utah State Board of Education Building, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. Chair Mark Huntsman presided.

Members Present:

Chair Mark Huntsman	Member Janet A. Cannon
1 st Vice Chair Terryl Warner	Member Lisa Cummins
2 nd Vice Chair Brittany Cummins	Member Jennifer Gravier (by phone)
3 rd Vice Chair Alisa Ellis	Member Carol Barlow Lear (by phone)
Member Laura Belnap	Member Linda B. Hanson (by phone)
Member Michelle Boulter (by phone)	Member Kathleen Riebe

Members Excused:

Member Scott B. Neilson	Member Joel Wright
Member Spencer F. Stokes	

Executive Staff Present:

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent	Angie Stallings, Deputy Supt.
Scott Jones, Deputy Supt.	Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary

Others present:

Bryan Quesenberry, Assistant Attorney General; Natalie Grange, Cathy Jensen—USBE staff; Lisa Cluff—Art Works for Kids.

Call to Order

Chair Mark Huntsman called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

Beverley Taylor Sorenson Foundation Grant

Cathy Jensen, USBE Fine Arts Specialist, and Lisa Cluff, Director for Art Works for Kids, were welcomed to the meeting. Ms. Jensen reported that the Beverley Taylor Sorenson Foundation contacted her last week and invited the State Board of Education to make

application for an additional grant from the foundation for up to \$110,000. The grant would be a flow through to local education agencies to support arts specialists, or the Beverley Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program and its university partners. It was clarified that the bulk would be used to hire arts specialists for schools. The grant needs to be awarded before the end of the calendar year.

Deputy Superintendent Jones noted that if the application is approved and signed today, a notice of the grant would still need to go to the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature.

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Belnap that the Board approve acceptance of the \$110,000 grant, as presented, from the Beverley Taylor Sorenson Foundation.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Riebe that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Lorraine Austin, Board Secretary
Minutes approved January 3, 2018