

**UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION/UTAH SCHOOLS
FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND GOVERNING BOARD**
MEETING MINUTES

November 4, 2021

A regular meeting of the Utah State Board of Education/Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Governing Board was held on November 4, 2021, at 250 E. 500 S., Salt Lake City, Utah. The meeting was held electronically and streamed to the public. Member Vice-Chair Belnap presided.

Members Present

Chair Mark **Huntsman**
First Vice-Chair Laura **Belnap**
Second Vice-Chair Cindy **Davis**
Member Randy **Boothe**
Member Janet A. **Cannon**
Member Natalie **Cline**
Member Jennie **Earl**
Member Scott B. **Hansen**

Member Molly **Hart**
Member Stacey **Hutchings**
Member Matt **Hymas**
Member Carol Barlow **Lear**
Member James **Moss Jr.**
Member Kristin **Norton**
Member Brent J. **Strate**

Executive Staff Present

Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Leah Voorhies, Assistant Superintendent
Darin Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent
Jeffrey Van Hulten, Director of Public Affairs
Bryan Quesenberry, Assistant Attorney General
Joel Coleman, USDB Superintendent

Minutes taken by:

Cybil Child, Executive Assistant

Executive Staff Excused

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent

Others Present

Nathan Bigler	Cammy Wilcox
Genevra Prothero	Debbie Davis
Heidi Matthews	Jennifer Orten
Mike Brown	Katrina Brinkley
Ronald Parr	Noralee Green
Zac Christensen	David Sallay
Brian Garrett	Kathy Helgesen
Annie Massey	Jerry Record
Becky Hope	Alex Farah
Ben Rasmussen	Nathan Auck
Brenda McMurtrey	Sydnee Dickson
Duke Mossman	

Opening Business

Vice-Chair Belnap called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Member Boothe started the pledge.

Board Member Message

Member Scott Hansen gave the welcome message.

Education Highlight

Jeff Van Hulten, Director of Public Affairs introduced the presentation of the Davis Education Foundation.

The Davis County community has a quiet, but pervasive problem affecting our youth population: homelessness. Most of us think of Davis County as a poverty-free zone, but 17,000 children do not know where their next meal is coming from. There are more than 1,200 homeless children, 300 which are high school students. These children live in cars, abandoned

buildings, storage units, or couch surf every night. They may be on their own, with the school acting as the only place they can obtain food and safety from the elements. They do not have a place to shower, wash their clothes, or attend to basic hygiene needs.

The Davis Education Foundation is committed to removing barriers to learning by constructing drop-in centers at seven of our high schools; Clearfield (Completed and open), Woods Cross, Layton, Northridge, Viewmont, and Mountain High Schools, and the Renaissance Center.

The intent for the centers is to be a safe- haven, with vital educational and community resources. Our goal is to keep students in school while equipping them with lifelong skills as they are transitioning to adulthood that will prevent cycles of chronic homelessness and poverty. Our organization believes that this time is pivotal for teens in crisis. If services, advocates, and resources are available, lives will be changed and futures possible for our most vulnerable population of students.

Here is a video to highlight this work: <https://youtu.be/ww0dcSChHA>.

Public Comment

Becky Hope – a Utah parent of four children in public schools, spoke about her concerns with the Advisory Committee on Equity of Educational Services for Students (ACEESS).

Annie Massey – the parent of three children in Davis School District, shared a story that she described as an analogy to the reality of K-12 education for stakeholders in Utah.

Heidi Matthews – representing the President of the Utah Education Association (UEA), expressed gratitude for the Board’s commitment to inclusion.

Sophia Anderson – a Utah resident, spoke about her concerns with the Advisory Committee on Equity of Educational Services for Students (ACEESS). She expressed that she has spent the last 20 months reading through her Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA) requests from the State Board of Education and her concerns with what she has read.

Monica Wilbur – a member of the Academic Integrity Movement (AIM), spoke about the Advisory Committee on Equity of Educational Services for Students (ACEESS) and her concerns

that they do not have the children's and parent's best interest in mind and influence board rules and policies.

Kathy Moleni – the parent of five children from the Granite School District, shared public comments about concerns that schools are pushing their person critical race theory (CRT) ideologies and are unacceptable.

Bernadette Brockman – a member of the Academic Integrity Movement (AIM), spoke about sexual grooming, sexually explicit material, and questionable books that are being offered to students disguised as education. She left handouts for the board members to read.

Juliet Reynolds – a parent of four children attending school in Murray School District and who was part of the Equity Council in the school district. She was part of the panel that presented at the Pride Not Prejudice Conference. Juliet shared comments about her support for the use of pronouns in schools.

Mike Brown – a member of the Academic Integrity Movement (AIM) and has five children in the Davis School District, spoke in defense of bullying. He stated that he represents several parents who have been bullied by Davis School District's President and Superintendent.

Kelly Jones – parent in Davis School District and a member of GLSEN Northern Utah, which is a chapter of GLSEN, a national organization fighting for every student's right to a safe, supportive education. Kelly spoke about supporting students and educators locally around LGBTQ+ and of color.

Nathan Bigler, he/him pronouns and a parent of two students in Granite School District, combat veteran, and a foster parent, shared that he has been pleased with how his three transgender children have been accepted and treated by the Granite faculty.

Genevra Prothero – she/her pronouns and a mother of a senior in the Davis County School District, shared public comments to adopt the proposed Understanding Gender Identity to Best Support Students guidance document. She will continue to send complaints to the Department of Justice.

Jennifer Orten – her adjectives are awake and concerned, requested that the Board of Education revise Board Policy 5001 to make the Advisory Committee on Equity of Educational

Services for Students (ACEESS) meetings be held in an open and public meeting so the public can participate.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

Review/Approve change in the FY23 Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Educational Fees

Carl Empey, Finance Director presented the request to increase the current educational fees.

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman and seconded by Member Davis that the Board approves the one change in the school lunch fees to \$4 as proposed.

MOTION made by Member Davis to postpone item and seconded by Member Boothe.
Motion passed unanimously.

Special Education Policy and Procedure Manual

Susan Patten, Associate Superintendent of the Blind School, and Michelle Tanner, Associate Superintendent of the Deaf presented the proposed amendments to the policy and procedure manual.

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Strate that the Board approves the updates to the Special Education Policy and Procedure Manual.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION was made to bring the item back to the table was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Huntsman.

TABLED MOTION was made by Member Moss and seconded by Member Davis that the Board approves the one change in the school lunch fees to \$4 as proposed.

Motion passed unanimously.

FY22 Monthly Budget Update ending September 30, 2021

Carl Empey, Finance Director, presented the financial report.

FY20-21 USDB Annual Report

Susan Patten, Associate Superintendent of the Blind, and Michelle Tanner, Associate Superintendent of the Deaf, spoke about the 2020-2021 annual report.

Superintendency Report

Joel Coleman, Superintendent spoke about the capital facility timeline. He shared an overview of all the facilities provided since 2016 and projected to 2024. Future projects include Outdoor Family Learning Center is a goal that they hope to provide in the future. Salt Lake High School building (One-Time) funding of \$10,961,000 plus soft costs (eight or nine classrooms).

State Superintendent's Report

Acknowledgment of Student Artwork

Cathy Jensen, USBE Education Specialist for Fine Arts, Music, Theatre presented the student artwork.

Employee Recognition

Chief of Staff Tiffany Stanley recognized Brenda McMurtrey, the November Employee of the Month.

Superintendent's Report

Chief of Staff Tiffany Stanley spoke on behalf of Superintendent Dickson. This month she spoke about the goals for the Safe and Healthy Schools.

General Consent Calendar

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Hansen that the Board approves the General Consent Calendar minus items 5.2 and 5.4.

Motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL CONSENT CALENDAR

5.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Board approved the minutes of its October 7, 8, 20, and 28, 2021, board meetings.

5.2 Contracts/Agreements for Approval

The Board approved contracts/agreements of over \$100,000.

5.3 Contracts/Agreements for Review

The Board was provided with a list of contracts/agreements under \$100,000.

5.4 LEA-Specific Educator License Renewals

The Board approved the LEA-Specific renewals submitted by LEAs.

5.5 Elementary Social Studies Standards Public Comment Update

The Board received an update on the efforts to solicit public comment on the draft elementary social studies standards, per Step 8 of the USBE standards revision process.

BOARD DISCUSSION for Item 5.2: Contracts/Agreements for Approval was pulled from the consent calendar for the Board member's questions.

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Lear that the Board approves contracts/agreements of over \$100,000.

MOTION TO DIVIDE was made by Member Earl and was seconded by Member Cline.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and was seconded by Member Cannon to approve the University of Utah Contract.

Motion passed unanimously

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Strate to approve the Cambian Assessment contract.

Motion carried with Member Earl and Cline opposed.

BOARD DISCUSSION for Item 5.4: LEA-Specific Educator License Renewals was pulled from the consent calendar for the Board member's questions.

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman and seconded by Member Hansen that the Board approved the LEA-Specific renewals submitted by LEAs.

Motion passed unanimously.

[Monthly Budget Items](#)

Monthly Budget Report

Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, and Deborah Jacobson, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, presented the board of education monthly budget report. In accordance with the Money Management Act and the Budgetary Procedures Act the Utah State Board of Education is provided a report on the status of funds for their internal budgets.

Discretionary Funds

Per the Money Management Act and the Budgetary Procedures Act the Utah State Board of Education is provided with a status of the funds. Deborah Jacobson, Assistant Superintendent updated the Board on the FY2021 P-12 Discretionary Funds account. Deputy Jones introduced Sam Urie as the new Financial Director.

Federal COVID-19 Relief Funding Update

Sarah Young, Director of Strategic Initiatives presented a monthly update on the status of federal COVID-19 relief funding to support Utah K-12 schools and communities. The update will include the status of reimbursements to the field and an update on the recent American Rescue Plan Act legislation.

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Moss that the Utah State Board of Education approves the authorization of up to \$100,000 from the ARP ESSER state administration fund for the creation of a COVID-19 Relief funding dashboard for reporting outcomes in the 2022 legislative session.

Motion passed unanimously.

October 1 Enrollment Counts Review

Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, and Malia McIlvenna, Research Consultant, gave an update on the October 1, 2021, enrollment counts.

[2022 Legislative Session Preparation](#)

Requests for Statutory Changes

Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent discussed three legislative requests. The first request was to amend [53G-6-402](#) and other open enrollment provisions in statute to provide a preference for placement for students who come from military families. (Postponed from October Board Meeting).

The second request was to amend Subsection [53G-5-407\(5\)](#) to require charter school special education directors to hold an appropriate license issued by the state board under Title 53E, Chapter 6, Education Professional Licensure, in accordance with requirements of federal IDEA law.

The third request was to amend Utah Code [Title 26, Chapter 20](#), Utah False Claims Act, to include false claims for public education; or alternatively, enact a new chapter of code similar to Title 26, Chapter 20 within Title 53E or 53F for false claims specific to public education.

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Strate that the Board directs staff to work with legislators on potential amendments to Utah Code, as presented.

Motion unanimously.

2022 Legislative Session Requests for Statutory Changes

MOTION was made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Moss that the Board

1. directs staff to provide Board members an opportunity to rank order business cases via survey by November 16th;
2. directs staff to provide the final results of the survey as backup to Civicclerk for the Board's discussion of funding priorities in December; and
3. discuss the results of the rank order process during the Board's December meetings.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear that the Board

1. adopt the District and Charter School Base Funding business case ;
2. direct staff to delay consideration of the economies of scale business case for FY23 with the intent to consider finalized formulas for a business case for FY24;

3. direct staff to revise the amount requested for the RISE Assessment System Business case to \$1,796,600 one-time; and
4. direct staff to:
 - a. increase the \$50 million amount of the curricular and co-curricular fees business case to \$55 million to support a reduction of curricular and co-curricular fees that relate to the regular school day course portion of the co-curricular activity; and
 - b. update and rename the “Eliminate Curricular Fees” business case to the “Reduce Curricular and Co-curricular fees” business case and transmit the business cases to the Governor and Legislature for consideration.

Motion passed unanimously.

[Audit Committee Report](#)

Release of Audit Report

MOTION was made by Member Belnap that the Board recommends that the Board release the ProStart Audit Report to the public and that in response to the ProStart audit the Board disallow \$139,335.23. In addition, the Committee recommends that the USBE:

- 1) Withhold future disbursements until issues identified in the audit are resolved, and
- 2) Update the contract to require the Utah Restaurant Association Foundation to provide a SOC (System and Organization Controls) report, and
- 3) Stop reimbursing state of Utah sales tax.

Furthermore, the Committee recommends that USBE employees are trained on internal controls.

MOTION TO DIVIDE THE QUESTION made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Cannon.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Cannon to release the ProStart Audit Report to the public.

Motion passed unanimously.

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Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Proposed Process

MOTION was made by Member Belnap that the Board consider the Process Regarding Complaints Against Individual Board Members.

Process Regarding Complaints Against Individual Board Members

1. When Internal Audit receives an allegation on the Public Education Hotline about an individual board member, following R277-123 and as needed, Internal Audit will follow-up with the complainant to request additional information supporting the allegation.
2. Internal Audit will complete a preliminary analysis of the allegation with related supporting information in consideration of Board Bylaws Article IV.12*.
3. As appropriate, the Internal Audit will then refer to Board Leadership for the preliminary analysis inclusive of the allegation and related supporting information.

4. Board Leadership will review the referred analysis considering the criteria from the Bylaws Article IV.12*.
5. If Board Leadership determines the allegation will move forward, Board Leadership will:
 - a. Provide that individual board member a copy of the allegation with related supporting information, and
 - b. Request that individual board member provide a response with applicable supporting evidence.
6. The information in 5.a and 5.b will be provided to all board members for discussion in an Executive Session of a Board meeting.
7. In response to discussion in Executive Session, action may be authorized consistent with Board Bylaws Article IV.12a) - g)*.

**Article IV.12 A Member may be reprimanded, or the actions of a Member censured, for any violation of law, policy, Bylaws, or any other conduct which tends to injure the good name of the Board, following adequate due process, if appropriate. The Board or Board leadership may authorize any of the following: a) A conversation between the offending member and the Board Chair/Leadership or Assistant Attorney General;*

b) A written letter to the offending Member from the Board Chair/Leadership or Assistant Attorney General;

c) Censuring the offending Member by a vote of the Board;

d) Prohibiting the offending Member from attending any Board advisory committee meeting, as determined by the Board Chair;

e) Prohibiting the offending Member from requesting an item to be placed on an agenda, as determined by the Board Chair;

f) Removing the offending member from any or all committee assignments as determined by the Board Chair; or

g) Taking other appropriate action.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Huntsman to add that the above motion to be added to a Board policy or bylaws.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Hutchings and seconded by Member Earl to add the words “acting in their capacity as a board member” in No. 1 following individual board members.

Motion failed with Members Boothe, Moss, Hart, Earl, Hutchings, and Cline in favor and Members Belnap, Cannon, Hansen, Huntsman, Hymas, Lear, Norton, and Strate opposed.

MOTION TO POSTPONE made by Member Moss and seconded by Member Hutchings to postpone the current motion to move the proposed motion to board leadership for approval to place on future board agenda for bylaw revision.

Motion failed with Members Belnap, Boothe, Cannon, Davis, Hansen, Huntsman, Hymas, Lear, Norton, and Strate opposed and Members Moss, Hart, Cline, Hutchings, and Earl in favor.

[Law and Licensing Committee Report/Recommendations](#)

Committee Chair Carol Lear reported on the following items from the October 8, 2021, Committee meeting. Information on items not reported will be included in the Board meeting exhibits.

R277-307, Teacher Leader (New)

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board approves R277-307, Teacher Leader, Draft 3, on second and final reading.

Motion carried with Members Earl and Cline opposed.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member cline to strike lines 62-63 (i) networking within and beyond local, state, and national education organizations; or” in board rule R277-307.

Motion failed with Members Moss, Earl, Hutchings, Cline, and Belnap opposed and Members Boothe, Cannon, Davis, Hansen, Hart, Huntsman, Hymas, Lear, Norton, and Strate.

R277-513, Teacher Leader (Repeal)

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board repeals R277-513, Teacher Leader on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

R277-301, Educator Licensing (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board continues and approves R277-301, Educator Licensing, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

Utah Adult Education Program Supervision Study

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board approves the Adult Education staff to move forward with a study to determine if the program supervision should move to the Utah System of Higher Education (USHE).

Motion passed unanimously.

SOEP Working Group Request

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board directs staff and key SOEP group members to work with Rep. Birkeland and other related legislators to refile and amend 2021 HB 382, Online Course Access Amendments.

Motion passed unanimously.

R277-477, Distributions of Funds from the Trust Distribution Account and Administration of the School LAND Trust Program (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board approves and continues R277-477, Distribution of Funds from the Trust Distribution Account and Administration of the School LAND Trust Program, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

R277-491, School Community Councils (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board continues and approves R277-491, School Community Councils, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

R277-925, Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive Program (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board approves R277-925, Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools Incentive Program Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

New Board Policy 2004

MOTION was made by Member Lear that the Board approves Board Policy 2004, and request staff to prepare a Draft 2 of Board Policy 2004 to include amendments considered and approved by the Board in the Board's May 6, 2021 board meeting.

MOTION TO AMEND made by member Earl and seconded Moss to strike section (1)(c) from Draft 2: (c) A member's communications as described in Board Bylaws Article V subsection (4)(a) and (b) subsection (a) and (b) may not be done in a manner that can: critical of an individual or group that is determined by Board leadership to result in damage to their reputation or occupation. (i) place the Board at risk of reputational harm or legal liability; (ii) defame staff or individuals; (iii) promote inaccurate information; or (iv) place staff or individuals at risk for harm. and replacing with the following language:

a. Utah State Board members serve and represent the constituents in their community which may not be restricted or impaired by the membership on, or obligations to, the Utah State Board of Education.

b. The Utah State Board of Education is committed to free and open inquiry in all matters. Open and vigorous debate or deliberation shall not be suppressed because the ideas put forth are thought to be offensive, unwise, immoral, or simply wrong.

c. Expressions that violate the law, that falsely defame a specific individual, that constitute a genuine threat or harassment, that unjustifiably invade substantial privacy or confidentiality interest may be restricted.

MOTION TO POSTPONE made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Strate to send back to board leadership to place item on future committee agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

Standards and Assessment Committee Report/Recommendations

Committee Chair Scott Hansen had no action items to report on from the October 8, 2021, Committee meeting. Information on items not reported will be included in the Board meeting exhibits.

Finance Committee Report/Recommendations

Committee Chair Mark Huntsman reported on the following items from the October 8, 2021, Committee meeting. Information on items not reported will be included in the Board meeting exhibits.

R277-424, Indirect Costs for State Programs (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman that the Board continues and approves R277-424, Indirect Costs for State Programs, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

R277-706, Regional Education Service Agencies (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman that the Board continues and approves R277-706, Regional Education Service Agencies, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

Board Policy Updates Related to Board Bylaw Changes

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman that the Board approves amendments to Board Policies 2001, 2002, 2003, 3001, 4001, 4002, 5001, 5006, 5007, 5008.

MOTION TO AMEND made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Strate to amend Board policy 5001 to reinsert the stricken language, "Who are at-risk for underachievement "

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION made by Member Strate and was seconded by Member Cannon.

Motion carried with Member Earl and Cline opposed

Motion to amend passed unanimously.

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Boothe to reinsert the stricken language "who are at-risk for underachievement" throughout the Board Policy 5001.

Motion to amend the amendment passed unanimously.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Lear to bring back Board Policy 5001 to a committee with the recommendation from staff on what Advisory Committee on Equity of Educational Services for Students (ACEESS) makeup should be included in proposed amendments regarding students who are at risk for underachievement.

Motion failed with Members Boothe, Davis Earl, Hansen, Huntsman, Hutchings, Hymas, and Strate opposed and Members Belnap, Cannon, Cline, Hart, Lear, Moss, and Norton in favor.

MOTION was made by Member Moss that the Board approves amendments to Board Policies 2001, 2002, 2003, 3001, 4001, 4002, 5001, as amended, 5006, 5007, 5008.

Motion passed unanimously.

Discretionary Funds Recommendations

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman that the Board approves the following transfers, and/or continued, and/or new uses of the Board's discretionary funds as follows:

1. \$200,000 of unrestricted state funds remains set aside for contingency purposes and,
2. \$126,555.42 of unrestricted state funds remain for the SEATS Programmer project and,
3. \$29,979.74 of unrestricted state funds previously set aside for the House Bill 373 Implementation requirement be returned to the state funds portion of the discretionary funds and,
4. The remaining \$313.45 of Federal Mineral Lease (FML) funds for the School Fees Project requirement be returned to the FML portion of the discretionary funds and,
5. The School Trust Lands Website Rebuild project be recorded as completed and removed from the discretionary fund's tracker as the FML funds set aside for that project were 100% expended and,
6. The remaining \$50.00 FML for the Teacher Recruitment Campaign is returned to the FML portion of the discretionary funds and that project recorded as completed and,
7. The remaining \$108,865.87 of FML funds for the Director of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Position is returned to the FML funds portion of the discretionary funds and,
8. The \$54,161.55 of FML funds for the Continued Research and Development Related to the Funding Study amount remain for that purpose and,
9. \$73,020.26 of Land Exchange funds previously set aside for the House Bill 373 Implementation requirement be returned to the Land Exchange portion of the discretionary funds and,
10. \$250,000 of unrestricted State Funds is identified and set aside for 'ongoing litigation' and,

11. \$200,000 of unrestricted State Funds is identified for and transferred to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for use at her discretion.

Motion passed unanimously.

RTC Special Education Program Monitoring Fees

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman that the Board approve the proposed Residential Treatment Center Certification Fee Schedule.

Motion passed unanimously.

R277-484, Data Standards (Amendment and Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman that the Board continue and approve R277-484, Data Standards, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

The motion was made by Member Huntsman and second by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Hart that the Board moves into executive session for the purpose of: 1) discussing the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property; 2) discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of individuals; and 3) strategy on pending or reasonably imminent litigation.

Upon voice vote of Members Belnap, Boothe, Cannon, Cline, Davis, Earl, Hansen, Hart, Huntsman, Hutchings, Hymas, Lear, Moss, Norton, Strate the Board went into closed session at 5:35 p.m.

Those present included the Members above and Cybil Child, Ben Rasmussen, Bryan Quesenberry, Jeffrey Van Hulten, and Angie Stallings.

MOTION was made by Member Cannon and seconded by Member Hart that the Board comes out of executive session.

Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reconvened in an open session at 5:57 p.m.

Executive Session Action Items

Educator Licenses

MOTION was made by Member Norton and seconded by Member Huntsman that the Board accepts the UPPAC Consent Calendar.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION was made by Member Norton and seconded by Member Huntsman that the Board accepts the recommendation of the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) in Case No.17-1458.

Motion passed unanimously.

Advisory Committee Appointments

Student Advisory Council (SAC)

MOTION was made by Member Norton and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board appoints the following individuals to the Student Advisory Council:

- Carter Malcolm, representing District 1;
- Jessica Castaneda, representing District 3
- Emma Evans, District 4;
- Joseph Coleman, representing District 6;
- Alexis Thompson, representing District 8;
- Sophia Thompson, District 9;
- Geonyoung Sarah Park, representing District 10;
- Kathrynne Pullman, representing District 11;
- Sojung Bok, representing District 15.

Motion passed unanimously.

Board Chair's Report

The Board Chair spoke about Veteran's Day and a little history about when and why it started. For over fifteen years, between 49-50% of our military strength is within the Military

Guards and Reserves. And what supports them is their Family, Branch, and Employer. Remember to pause and thank these people for their service.

Board Member Comments

Member Earl spoke about a letter she was presenting to the Board that addressed the actions taken by National School Boards Association (NSBA) and the United States Attorney General violating Utah law and are Constitutionally unsound. She would encourage elected officials to defend First Amendment Rights, local control of public schools, and support Utah law enforcement as they do their job in sustaining a free society. She asked if other board members would sign the letter and stand in support of the issues.

Member Cannon shared her appreciation to the board of education staff and reminded the members that they will be holding a white elephant gift exchange on December 2nd.

Member Strate mentioned the same appreciation for our military service personnel and for celebrating Veteran's Day. He is thankful for local school boards, administrators, teachers, and all the staff at USBE. He also mentioned his humble experience when participating in the VirTra virtual reality training for Utah public safety officers. He gained a deeper appreciation for the daily risks the Utah law enforcement leaders take to perform their duties.

Member Cline appreciated Member Earl's efforts in carrying out the letter that addresses the wrongdoings of the NSBA.

Member Davis also had the opportunity to experience participating in the VirTra virtual reality training for Utah public safety officers. The training goal is to help officers return home safely every day. She also thanked Member Hart for her challenge to the board members to tell a bus driver they are appreciated and updated everyone on what she did with the challenge.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Cybil Child, Board Secretary
Approved December 2, 2021.