

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDY SESSION MINUTES

October 8, 2021, from 1 – 3:00 pm

Via Zoom with anchor location at 250 E 500 S, SLC, 84114

A study session meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held on August 6, 2021, electronically with an anchor location at the State Board of Education offices. The meeting was streamed live to the public. Vice-Chair Cindy Davis presided.

Members Present: Chair Mark Huntsman, Vice-Chair Cindy Davis, Vice Chair Laura Belnap, Janet Cannon, Natalie Cline, Jennie Earl, Kristan Norton, Carol Lear, Stacey Hutchings, James Moss, Randy Boothe, Brent Strate, Molly Hart, Matt Hymas, and Scott Hansen

Others Present: Angie Stallings, Ben Rasmussen, Bryan Quesenberry, Cammy Wilcox, Carl Empey, Cheri Rieben, Cuong Nguyen, Cybil Child, Dale Frost, Darin Nielsen, Debbie Davis, Deborah Jacobson, Jared Felt, Jeff Van Hulten, Jennifer Thronsen, Joel Coleman, Kathy Helgesen, Kevin John, Leah Voorhies, Michelle Beus, Michelle Tanner, Noralee Green, Patty Norman, Sam Uri, Sarah Young, Scott Jones, Susan Patten, Sydnee Dickson, Tiffany Stanley, Todd Hauber, Michelle Watts, Whitney Phillips, Zac Christensen.

Opening Business

Vice-Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

[2022 Legislative Session Business Cases and Funding Priorities](#)

USBE staff Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, and Dale Frost, MSP Administrator outlined the documentation for the business cases. Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy tracked the priorities during the meeting discussion.

MOTION was made by Member Huntsman and seconded by Member Strate that the Board adopts the USBE Superintendency Top 10 budget priorities, and transmit to the Governor these priorities, as shown in the Budget Tracker dated October 5, 2021, as follows:

1. WPU Value Increase
2. At-Risk WPU Add-On
3. Critical USBE FTEs
4. Eliminate Curricular Fees
5. USBE Market Adjustments
6. Center for Continuous School Improvement
7. Early Warning System Expansion
8. Rural District Economies of Scale
9. Full-Day Kindergarten
10. Special Education Teacher Shortage Pilot

MOTION TO AMEND made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Lear to add Business Case BTSALP Statewide Expansion to position four of the top ten list.

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

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT made by Member Huntsman and seconded Member Moss to move Business Case BTSALP Statewide Expansion from position four to position eleven.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Strate and seconded Member Huntsman to move Position 4. BTSALP Statewide Expansion to Position 10 to move Position 10. Full-Day Kindergarten to Position 4.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Lear to move Position 10. Full-Day Kindergarten to Position 4 and Position 4. BTSALP Statewide Expansion to Position 5.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Cline to remove Position 7 and 8 from the priority list.

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

Motion carried with Member Cline and Earl opposed.

MOTION TO AMEND made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Cline to remove Position 7. Center for Continuous School Improvement from the list.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Cline to remove Position 8. Early Warning System Expansion.

Motion passed.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Norton and seconded by Member Strate to add Acadience Reading in Grades 6-8 as position 8.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Davis to move Position 8 with Position 11.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Hansen and seconded by Member Boothe to move the business case for Transportation Funding to Position 11.

Motion passed unanimously

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Hart and seconded by Member Earl that the Board remove Position 5. Eliminate Curricular Fees.

Motion failed.

MOTION TO AMEND by Member Davis and seconded by Member Huntsman to rename the School Fees Project FTEs within the Critical USBE FTEs to Fiscal Monitor FTEs.

Motion carried.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Huntsman and seconded by Member Strate that the Board adopts the following budget priorities and transmit to the Governor these priorities, as shown in the Budget Tracker dated October 5, 2021, as follows:

1. WPU Value Increase
2. At-Risk WPU Add-On
3. Critical USBE FTEs
4. BTS Arts in All Schools
5. Eliminate Curricular Fees
6. USBE Market Adjustments
7. Center for Continuous School Improvement
8. Rural District Economies of Scale
9. Full-Day Kindergarten
10. Special Education Teacher Shortage Pilot
11. Transportation

Motion carried with Members Cline, Earl, and Hart opposed.

MOTION TO AMEND made by Member Huntsman and seconded by Member Strate that the board approves and directs staff to transmit to the Governor for consideration all business cases listed on the Budget Tracker dated October 5, 2021 and that the Board directs staff to work with legislators on potential amendments to Utah Code as included in the policy requests associated with these business cases.

Motion carried with Members Cline, Hymas, Earl, and Hart opposed.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Cybil Child, Board Secretary
Minutes approved 11/4/2021.