

**UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES**

**Governing Board for the
Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB) and
Utah State Board of Education Study Session**

[September 9, 2022](#)

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

The Utah State Board of Education held a state board meeting electronically on September 9, 2022. As authorized by Utah Code 52-4, this meeting was held electronically with an anchor location at 250 E 500 S, Salt Lake City, UT 84114. Vice-Chair Davis presided. The meeting was streamed live to the public.

Members Present

First Vice-Chair Laura **Belnap**
Second Vice-Chair Cindy **Davis**
Member Janet A. **Cannon**
Member Natalie **Cline**
Member Jennie **Earl**
Member Stacey **Hutchings**

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

Member Absent

Chair Mark **Huntsman**
Member Scott L. **Hansen**
Member Randy **Boothe**

Executive Staff Present

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent
Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent
Leah Voorhies, Assistant Superintendent
Darin Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent
Deborah Jacobsen, Assistant Superintendent
Sarah Young, Chief of Staff

Minutes were taken by:

Cybil Child, Board Secretary

Others Present

USDB Carl Empey, Joel Coleman, Michelle Tanner, USBE Jerry Record, Bryan Quesenberry, Jeff Van Hulten, Nathan Auck, Kelsey James, Karl Bowman, Lisa McLachlan, Thalea Longhurst, Kami Dupree, Shauntelle Cota, Dale Frost, Chelsea Oaks, Malia Hite, Cathy Jensen, Jare Lisonbee, Rhett Larsen, Rachel Colledge, Trish French, Sam Urie, Jennifer Thronsen, Cory Kanth, Cathy Gray, Ann-Michelle Neal, Melanie Heath, Scott Theurer, Ron Litchfield, Kristina Yamada, Bethany Marker, and Lisa Cluff.

Opening Business

Vice-chair Davis called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind**Consent Calendar**

MOTION was made by Member Hart and seconded by Member Strate that the Board approves the General Consent Calendar, as amended.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Cline and seconded by Member Earl that the Board pulls the USDB Library Collection Policy from the consent calendar.

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

Motion carried with Members Belnap, Cannon, Earl, Hart, Hutchings, Hymas, Moss, Norton, and Strate in favor and Member Cline opposed. Members Huntsman, Hansen, and Boothe were absent.

1. **District Contracts**

The Board approved the District contracts that exceed \$100,000, as presented.

2. **USDB (ERC) Library Collection Policy**

The Board approved the Library Collection Policy, as amended.

3. **Wasatch Transportation Contract (Amendment 3)**

The Board approved the Wasatch Transportation contract (Amendment 3).

4. **FY23 Carry Forward Projects (FY22 Funds)**

The Board approved the USDB FY23 Carry Forward Project list.

Year End Financial Report (Includes Period 13)

Carl Empey, Finance Director, updated the Board with a monthly budget update as of April 30, 2022.

FY23 Monthly Budget Update

Carl Empey, Finance Director, will provide the USBE members with an FY22 monthly budget review as of July 31, 2022.

Superintendent's Report

Joel Coleman, USDB Superintendent, Susan Patten, Associate Superintendent of the Blind, and Michelle Tanner, Associate Superintendent of the Deaf, updated the Board about current events.

Study Session

General Session 2023 USBE Legislative Draft Business Cases Review

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Hart that the Board moves the draft business case for FAFSA Incentive System for LEAs to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

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

MOTION was made by Member and seconded by Member Strate that the Board moves the draft business case for DLI 1-9 Program Growth to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

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

MOTION was made by Member Norton and seconded by Member Strate that the Board moves the draft business case for School Readiness Grants to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

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

MOTION was made by Member Moss and seconded by Member Norton that the Board moves the draft business case for Grow Your Own Teacher School Counselor Program to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

Motion carried Members Belnap, Cannon, Earl, Hart, Hutchings, Hymas, Lear, Moss, Norton, and Strate in favor, and Member Cline opposed. Members Huntsman, Hansen, and Boothe were absent.

MOTION was made by Member Norton and seconded by Member Hart that the Board moves the draft business case for Early Learning Coaches in Rural Schools to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

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

MOTION was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear that the Board approves the new draft business case for \$250 Million One-time for Capital Improvements to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Lear that the Board amends the business case to \$150 Million One-time for Capital Improvements to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

Motion to amend passed unanimously. Members Huntsman, Hansen, and Boothe were absent.

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

MOTION was made by Member Moss and seconded by Member Belnap that the Board moves to amend the draft business case for Market Rate Adjustments to be supported for the 2023 General Session by amending the amount of \$5,764,348 to \$6,894,903, including \$300,000 for CTE admin cost.

Motion passed unanimously with Member Cline abstaining. Members Huntsman, Hansen, and Boothe were absent.

MOTION was made by Member Hart and seconded by Member Cannon that the Board approves the amended business cases to be supported for the 2023 General Session, as follows: Educator Licensing, Beverley Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program, Family Engagement Specialist, and Retention Through Teacher Leadership and Mentoring Opportunities.

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

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

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

MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Strate that the Board amends the School Safety Physical Facilities Capital Needs business case to increase the funding request by \$75M one-time money to \$175 million total in Economic Stabilization Funds. And to add general capital costs as an allowable use of the funds and change the title to Physical Facilities Capital Needs to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

Motion passed unanimously. Members Huntsman, Hymas, Hansen, and Boothe were absent.

MOTION was made by Member Strate and seconded by Member Norton that the Board amends the WPU Value Increase business case to a 10% increase on the value of the WPU to be supported for the 2023 General Session.

MOTION TO POSTPONE made by Member Moss that the Board postpones the WPU Value Increase business case to a future Board meeting.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION was made by Member Belnap and seconded by Member Strate that the Board amends the WPU Value Increase business case to be a 6.5% increase to the value of the WPU. Above the amount automatically included in the base budget as described in Utah Code and supports the amended business case for the 2023 General Session.

Substitute motion passed unanimously. Members Huntsman, Hymas, Hansen, Lear, and Boothe were absent.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:52 pm.

Cybil Child, Board Secretary
Minutes approved October 6, 2022