

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES

Governing Board for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB),
Continued Business from the previous meeting on April 4, 2024,
and USBE Study Session.

May 3, 2024
1:00 pm to 4:06 p.m.

The Utah State Board of Education held an electronic state board meeting on May 3, 2024. 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 Earl and Chair Moss presided. The meeting was streamed live to the public.

Members Present

Member Randy Boothe
Member Christina Boggess
Vice Chair Jennie Earl
Member Emily Green
Member Joseph Kerry

Member LeAnn Wood
Member Carol Lear
Member Brent Strate
Member Cindy Davis
Vice Chair Molly Hart

Members Absent

Chair Jim Moss
Member Matt Hymas
Member Natalie Cline
Member Sarah Reale
Member Kristan Norton

Executive Staff Present

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent
Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Leah Voorhies, Assistant Superintendent
Darin Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent
Deborah Jacobson, Assistant Superintendent
Kelsey James, Board's Communications Coordinator

Minutes were taken by:

Vanessa Barnes, Executive Assistant

Others Present

Joel Coleman	Ben Rasmussen
Michelle Tanner	Elisse Newey
Susan Patten	Alex Farah
Carl Empey	ASL Interpreter Emily Longshore
Sarah Young	Ashley Biehl
Michelle Beus	Jessica Kjar
Jerry Record	Adam Herd
Dwight Overgaard	Jennifer Throndsen
Adam Prows	Sarah Young

Opening Business

Vice chair Earl called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB) Board Meeting - The meeting was publicly streamed at <https://www.youtube.com/c/USBEMedia>.

5.1. ACTION: USDB FY25 Budget

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Green that the board approve the FY25 Budget.

The motion passed unanimously. Members Cline, Hymas, Norton, Reale, and Moss were absent.

5.2. ACTION: FY25 Enrichment Fund Projects

MOTION was made by Member Wood and seconded by Member Boothe that the board approve the FY25 Enrichment Funds Project list.

The motion passed unanimously. Members Cline, Hymas, Norton, Reale, and Moss were absent.

5.3. ACTION: FY25 Carry Forward Project List

MOTION was made by Member Green and seconded by Member Wood that the board approve the FY25 Carry Forward Project list.

The motion passed unanimously. Members Cline, Hymas, Norton, Reale, and Moss were absent.

5.4. INFORMATION: Monthly Budget Update as of March 31, 2024

5.5. INFORMATION: Superintendent's Report

5.5.1 INFORMATION: Review of Program Trends

USDB Adjournment

MOTION was made by Member Green and seconded by Member Strate that the Board adjourn the USDB meeting.

The USDB meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Following the USDB meeting, the Board proceeded with the USBE Study Session.

Opening Business

Vice chair Earl called the meeting to order, which began at 2:19 p.m.

Members Present

Member Randy Boothe
Vice-Chair Jennie Earl
Member Carol Barlow Lear
Member Christina Boggess
Member Emily Green
Member Brent J. Strate
Vice-Chair Molly Hart

Member LeAnn Wood
Member Cindy Davis
Chair James Moss
Member Kristin Norton
Member Joseph Kerry
Member Sarah Reale

Members Absent

Member Natalie Cline
Member Matt Hymas

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - The meeting will be streamed to the public at <https://www.youtube.com/c/USBEMedia>.

Monthly Budget Report

Deputy Scott Jones and Assistant Superintendent Deborah Jacobson lead the monthly budget discussion.

7.1 INFORMATION: Monthly Budget Report

In accordance with the Money Management Act and the Budgetary Procedures Act, the Utah State Board of Education receives a report on the status of funds in its internal budgets.

7.2 INFORMATION: Discretionary Funds Report

The Utah State Board of Education maintains a Discretionary Funds account. In accordance with the Money Management Act and the Budgetary Procedures Act, the Board is provided with the status of the funds. This is a perpetual action item to facilitate motions by board members to utilize available funds consistently and allowably.

7.3 INFORMATION: Land Trust Protection and Advocacy Committee Annual Report

Utah Code 53D-2-203(5)(h)(iii) requires the Director of the Land Trusts Protection and Advocacy Office to provide an annual report to the Utah State Board of Education. A written report is provided.

7.4 INFORMATION: Federal COVID-19 Relief Funding Update

This presentation is to provide an 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 a report on existing COVID-19 relief funding state projects.

Standards and Assessment Committee Report/Recommendations

8.1 ACTION: R277-628, School Libraries (Amendment)

MOTION was made by Vice Chair Earl and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board postpone R277-628, School Libraries, to next full Board meeting.

The motion passed unanimously. Members Boggess, Cline, Hymas, and Norton were absent.

Study Session

DISCUSSION: Strategic Plan – Goals

Strategic Plan Overview

The Utah State Board of Education (USBE) Strategic Plan provides a shared vision for the future of Utah's education system. It identifies a vision for Utah students upon completion and also orients USBE's efforts internally as we focus on our mission of creating the conditions for student success.

Goals and Strategies

The strategic plan identifies high-leverage strategies to align efforts toward impacting each goal.

Goal 1: Early Learning

Goal 2: Effective Educators and Leaders

Goal 3: Safe and Healthy Schools

Goal 4: Personalized Teaching and Learning

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Member Green and seconded that the Board adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:06 PM.

The executive assistant took the meeting minutes.
The minutes were approved June 6, 2024.