

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

UTAH STATE BOARD FOR APPLIED TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

MINUTES

December 1, 1998

Minutes of the meeting of the State Board for Applied Technology Education and the State Board of Education held December 1, 1998, at the Utah State Office of Education, Salt Lake City, Utah. Meeting commenced at 9:20 a.m. Board Chairman Katharine B. Garff presided.

Members present were:

Chairman, Katharine B. Garff
Vice Chairman, John L. Watson
Member Linnea S. Barney
Member Neola Brown
Member Janet A. Cannon
Member Cheryl Ferrin
Member Lynn Haslem
Member Susan C. Henshaw
Member C. Grant Hurst
Member Jill G. Kennedy
Member Joyce W. Richards
Member Marilyn Shields
Member Waynette Steel

Member Boyd F. Jensen was excused.

Also present were:

Executive Officer Scott W. Bean
Deputy Superintendent Laurie A. Chivers
Associate Superintendent Robert O. Brems
Associate Superintendent Steven O. Laing
Associate Superintendent Jerry P. Peterson
Executive Director, USOR, Blaine Petersen
Public Information Officer, Eileen Rencher
Board Secretary Twila B. Affleck

Also present for portions of the Board meeting were:

Members of the Press:

Jennifer Toomer-Cook, Deseret News
Kathy Kapos, Salt Lake Tribune
Robert Gehrke, Associated Press

Johnnie B. Johnson, Citizen
Billie Telford, Utah Eagle Forum
Bill Crim, Citizen
Diane Crim, Utah Teacher of the Year, Salt Lake City School District
Steven H. Peterson, Utah School Boards Association, Utah School Superintendents Association
Darrell K. White, Superintendent of the Year, Davis School District

Matthew & Nicole Garff, Citizens
Natalie Bagley, Citizen
Robert H. Garff, Citizen
Melissa Garff Ballard, Citizen
Jenni Garff Folkerson, Citizen

Members, State Office of Education Staff:

Bonnie Morgan, Curriculum and Instruction
Connie Amos, Curriculum and Instruction
Mae Taylor-Sweeten, Curriculum and Instruction
Hal Sanderson, Curriculum and Instruction
Barbara Lawrence, Curriculum and Instruction
Vicky Dahn, Curriculum and Instruction
Laura Vernon, Planning and Project Services

Chairman Garff excused Member Boyd F. Jensen.

Recognitions

Board Member Jill Kennedy recognized Diane Crim, Clayton Middle School, Salt Lake Districts, Utah's Teacher of the Year. She is an algebra and math teacher at Clayton Middle School. She noted that Mrs. Crim has been teaching for ten years and will go on to represent the State in the National Teacher of the Year competition. Member Kennedy read excerpts from Mrs. Crim's application for Teacher of the Year which contained her philosophy about teaching. Member Kennedy indicated that Mrs. Crim gives out her home phone number to parents and she calls parents to tell them what their kids did well that day. Member Kennedy presented Mrs. Crim with a Certificate of Recognition from the Board.

Mrs. Crim expressed appreciation to the Board for the recognition.

Member Kennedy also mentioned that Deputy Superintendent Laurie Chivers has two children currently being taught by Mrs. Crim. Dr. Chivers expressed her appreciation to Mrs. Crim for her caring for children and help that she gives to make kids feel they can achieve.

Chairman Katharine Garff recognized Darrell K. White, Superintendent, Davis School District, Utah's 1999 Superintendent of the Year. She noted that Dr. White is recognized in educational circles for his expertise in school finance and he taught courses for Utah State University, University of Utah and University of Hawaii. He is respected as a long-time leader in representing the interests of education in the legislative process and budgetary issues. He is a man of integrity and a credible source on educational issues, both for legislators and for patrons of education. Chairman Garff presented Dr. White with a Certificate of Recognition from the Board.

Superintendent White expressed appreciation to the Board for this recognition.

Chairman Garff noted that Dick Siddoway, Specialist, Electronic High School, has written a book, *The Christmas Wish*. This story has been made into a movie that will be aired this Sunday.

Executive Session

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member John L. Watson to moved into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel and potential litigation issues. The Board was polled and by unanimous consent of those present, [Member Marilyn Shields absent] the Board moved into Executive Session at 10:50 a.m.

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Vice Chairman John L. Watson to close executive session. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened into open meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Open Meeting

Board Officers

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Lynn Haslem that the board leadership nominations have been accepted, and non others having come forward, moved that the Board suspend the rules and elect by acclamation John L. Watson Chairman and Jill G. Kennedy as vice chairman for 1999. Motion carried with Members Barney, Burningham, Cannon, Ferrin, Haslem, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Larson, Morrill, Richards, Shields, and Watson voting in favor; Members Arial and Jensen absent.

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Advisory Council

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Waynette Steel, to appoint Peter Green to serve on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Advisory Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Scott W. Bean Retirement Announcement

Superintendent Scott Bean announced his plan to retire as State Superintendent of Public Instruction effective January 8, 1999. He expressed appreciation to the many people who have done great things for him and really enriched his life as an educator. He indicated that he started as a math teacher in the Salt Lake City School District; he then received a scholarship from the National Science Foundation and received his masters degree at the University of Utah. He then taught mathematics and chemistry at American Fork High School. His aspiration in life was to be Assistant Principal at American Fork High School - he was never offered the job. From there he went to the Alpine School District as a supervisor, to the State Office of Education, the South Sanpete School District as Superintendent and back into the State Office of Education as Associate Superintendent, Interim Superintendent and Superintendent.

Dr. Bean expressed appreciation to his colleagues in the Education Coalition, the many district superintendents, and many legislators who really care about quality education in Utah. He expressed appreciation to Governor Bangerter and Governor Leavitt and their staffs. Also to the South Sanpete Board of Education, Members of the State Board of Education and the chairs and vice chairs , it has been a privilege to work with them. To his colleagues in the State Office of Education, Laurie Chivers, Jerry Peterson, Steve Laing, Rob Brems, Bruce Griffin and Blaine Petersen. Dr. Bean expressed appreciation to his wife Susan who has endured many times of difficulty and good times. To the press who have been very even handed in the coverage of public education. He quoted a statement which reflects how he feels about education ○If you can view it in any way education is truly part of God's work.○ It represents the most significant thing we can do for children. Expressed appreciation to everyone for a great career,

Chairman Garff indicated the Superintendent Bean had confided in the Board leadership a few weeks ago and she had put together some of the accomplishments of this office. She distributed the list of accomplishments over the last six years. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8044.) Chairman Garff stated that she was personally gratified to have been able to work with Scott Bean, and for the Board and this office. She expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve on the Board. She quoted Ralph Waldo Emerson "An institution is the lengthened shadow of one man. All history resolves itself very easily into the biography of a few stout and earnest persons.○ Scott Bean deserves our greatest respect and esteem.

Chairman Garff indicated that she has had the advantage of some time to think about Scott, she shared her impressions: He is visionary, doesn't forget the past, reviews plans for the future and never neglects the present. He is compassionate, his heart takes direction, he evaluates human need, and is a good man. He has intellectual ability to remember facts and figures. He is governed by principles, he is a gentleman; he is committed to what he believes; he gets to the heart of problems, he is looked up to for guidance, he acts as a conduit; he has the capacity to make others laugh; he stays focused on the budget and other critical issues, he is sensitive, gracious, and competitive; he is a family

man ¥¥ loves children; he is religious; he looks for opportunities to make all of us feel important and for opportunities to make us feel valued. His secret to success is he is focused, goal oriented, has unshakeable integrity and has left all of us, including the children of this state, a great legacy. He is the greatest gift the state of Utah has had for children.

State Superintendent Appointment

Motion was made by Member Cheryl Ferrin and seconded by Member Jill G. Kennedy to thank Dr. Scott W. Bean for his great service to the State of Utah, to accept his resignation as Superintendent for retirement purposes; further, to appoint Steven O. Laing as State Superintendent of Public Instruction, effective January 8, 1999. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Steve Laing, indicated he is awed and overwhelmed, not only for the responsibility, but also for being considered in the company of such great educators as Scott Bean and Darrell White. He stated he is looking forward to the opportunity of working with the Board and others in education in the state as well as his colleagues in the State Office and other agencies. He expressed his appreciation for the friendship, and looks forward to working with the Board.

Appointment of State Board Secretary

Motion was made y Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Janet A. Cannon to reappoint Twila B. Affleck, secretary to the State Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

Joint Liaison Committee Business

Chairman Katharine Garff, distributed material that was received from the Joint Liaison Committee meeting. She requested a motion to accept the items that were approved by the State Board of Regents as follows:

Board Structures - existing State Board of Regents, State Board of Education and Joint Liaison Committee governance structure should be maintained.

Motion was made by Member Waynette Steel and seconded by Member Marilyn Shields to accept the Board Structure stated above. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Haslem, Henshaw, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Hurst opposed.

ATE coordination between SBR, SBE and Joint Liaison Committee that the future ATE facility should be shared both higher education and public education, and future funding of ATE for adult students should be generally flowed through the system of higher education; with the exception of the existing free standing ATC§s that will remain under the governance of the State Board and State Office of Education.

Motion was made by Member Jill G. Kennedy and seconded by Member Marilyn Shields, to accept the above statement. Motion carried unanimously..

Executive Officer Report

Superintendent Scott W. Bean presented the following items of information:

Utah Partnership - They voted, as a group, to support the school to careers recommendation for the State Office of Education. Dr. Bean expressed appreciation to them for that action.

Dr. Bean expressed **appreciation to Associate Superintendents Steve Laing and Rob Brems for their work** and preparation for the joint meetings with the Board of Regents, Joint Liaison Committee and the State Board of Education. Dr. Bean indicate he felt this was a positive set of recommendations and it puts into motion things we need to do in ATE as well as teacher preparation.

Dr. Bean reported that **Deputy Superintendent Laurie Chivers has been working on the advertising and school construction committees** which have not been easy. He expressed appreciation for the work that is being done with

these two issues.

USBA Regional Meetings -- Dr. Bean expressed appreciation to board members for their participation with the school boards association in these meetings.

CCSSO Meetings in Wisconsin -- Dr. Bean reported that there were two primary areas of concern presented at these meetings which he agrees with completely. One was teacher education, initial preparation and professional development. He indicated that we are right on track in the things that have been presented to the Board on Professional Development, and hopes this will continue because it is critical that it happen. Dr. Bean commented that he hoped we would not lose sight of the investment in education in Utah which isn't enough. He again reminded the Board of the **reduction in the income and property taxes in the amount of \$280 million annually**. The greatest loss to education is in the elementary schools where we don't have preparation to the degree it should be, teachers with too many preparations that they teach and consequently they lose quality.

Tobacco Settlement - Dr. Bean indicated that we need to make sure that the greatest share of this money goes toward prevention activities for young people. He indicated that the first year, we would receive \$10 million then the following year \$26 million, then it levels out at approximately \$33 million per year. He commented that we need to go to the legislature to see that a major portion of this goes toward prevention activities for young people.

Statewide Testing Program Results, 1998

Barbara Lawrence, Coordinator, Evaluation and Assessment presented the results of the Statewide Testing Program for fall of 1998. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8045.) Dr. Lawrence noted that the content of the new I.D.E.A. legislation at the federal level has had an impact on the implementation of the statewide testing program this year, and we have greater inclusion, particularly at the 11th grade than we have had in past years. That legislation requires that all students be assessed. Also last year we switched to the 9th edition of the Stanford Achievement Test which was a totally different test with new norms. This year we will see the first year of longitudinal data on our new test.

Dr. Lawrence reported that overall this year we have 18 of the 21 measured sub-test scores at the 50th percentile or above. Superintendent Bean noted that other states have invested more heavily in the elementary grades and it shows in this report. Also, it isn't that there is not some improvement, but the improvement in other states is significantly greater than the improvement in Utah, particularly in reading.

Motion was made by Member Janet A. Cannon and seconded by Member Marilyn Shields to receive the report. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

School Construction Inspection Study

Committee Recommendations

Deputy Superintendent Laurie A. Chivers presented the recommendations from the School Construction Inspection Study Committee. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8046.)

Motion was made by Member Janet A. Cannon and seconded by Member Susan C. Henshaw to accept the report and ask staff to continue working on proposed legislation and board rules to implement the recommendations of the Study Committee. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Advertising Task Force Recommendations

Deputy Superintendent Laurie A. Chivers presented the recommendations from the Advertising Task Force. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8047.) She indicated that the committee first drafted a State Board rule

outlining what should be done and not be done in terms of advertising and fund raising. The committee then decided to send the draft rule to school districts. Following that, the first recommendation is that there be no State Board rule. There are a lot of things going on in the districts relative to this.

Member Grant Hurst voiced his concern in letting this go without a Board policy. He felt that some districts have advertising policies that are a negative in what their students view as acceptable. He indicated that if parents looked at what was happening in schools they would find a sense of that. He questioned if the Task Force really believed that we could by gentle persuasion change some of those negative policies and functions that are going on in schools?

Dr. Chivers responded that at this point we are not ready for a State Board Rule, but we need to increase peoples understanding and encourage local boards to look at this issue. It is hoped that by sending out model policies and samples from other districts we may create that kind of interest, and over time we see what is happening.

Member Hurst encouraged the staff not to disband the task force, even if they only met once a year, and that they continue to examine this, and make sure some progress is being made.

Superintendent Bean suggested that we monitor what school districts do after the model policies are given to them.

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Janet A. Cannon to accept the report and recommendations of the Task Force; further that staff continue to monitor progress on this issue for further discussion. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem and Richards absent.

Improved Standards Recommendations

Superintendent Scott W. Bean presented the recommendations to increase academic standards for students; change the level at which credit for high school graduation may be earned; and assessments which will be developed to provide reliable reports of student progress. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8048.) The Board took the following actions:

Motion was made by Member Joyce W. Richards and seconded by Member Susan Henshaw to adopt the recommendation 1 [*to add one additional unit of language arts to the minimum requirements for high school graduation. It is intended that this additional unit will increase the writing and speaking skills of students.*] Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Cheryl Ferrin to adopt recommendations 2, 3, 4 and 5 [(2) *initiate the requirement of one unit of foreign language to be included in the minimum requirements for high school graduation. (3) Allow high school graduation credit to be earned beginning in the seventh grade for courses that are the same as those taught in grades nine through twelve. (4) Develop assessment mechanisms for determining demonstrated competency in as many subject areas as possible for courses that may be included in school district high school graduation requirements. Examples of such subject areas are fine arts, applied technology, physical education, computer technology, etc. and (5) Ask school districts to implement courses which allow students to meet competency standards in varying time frames.*]. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel, and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Motion was made by Member Janet A. Cannon and seconded by Member John L. Watson to adopt recommendation 6 [*Require an external evaluation of the current core curriculum content standards, objectives, and core assessments to determine where changes need to be made to improve these standards to ensure increased academic achievement.*] Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Motion was made by Member Susan C. Henshaw and seconded by Member Neola Brown to adopt recommendation 7 [*Establish benchmarks for acceptable levels of school performance on the core curriculum assessments in language arts and mathematics.*] Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Motion was made by Vice Chairman John L. Watson and seconded by Member Neola Brown to adopt recommendations 8 and 9 [8. *Seek changes in the statewide testing and reporting law which will allow for statewide testing and reporting of end of level criterion referenced testing in mathematics and language arts in the 3rd, 5th, 8th and 11th grades.* 9. *Continue the Stanford Achievement Tests in the above grades on a random sample basis and continue to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP).*] Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Janet A. Cannon to adopt recommendation 10 [*Consider the establishment of a Board rule that will require the State Office of Education and school districts to submit a plan for raising academic standards and achievement and require plan revision and a summary report of results every three years.*]. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Committee Reports

Planning, Finance and Legislation Committee

Member Jill G. Kennedy, Chair, Planning, Finance and Legislation Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

Certification Committee Agenda

The Committee reviewed the recommendation from the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission in Case No. 98-433 and moves that the Board revoke the certificate, based upon default, of David B. Weekes, a former teacher in the Weber School District. This action is taken due to a guilty plea by Mr. Weekes of forcible sexual abuse, a second-degree felony. Mr. Weekes had an on-going sexual relationship with at least one female student. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

The Committee reviewed the requests for authorizations and moves approval for those presented. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

The Committee requested a comprehensive discussion of certification., letters of authorization for certification, including requirements for substitutes at a meeting in the very near future.

(For complete details of the Certification Committee Meeting Agenda, see General Exhibit No. 8049.)

Educator Inservice Procedures and Credit, Rule R277-519

The Committee reviewed the changes to the Educator Inservice Procedures and Credit rule which more appropriately address policies and procedures used at the State Office of Education. (For complete details of the rule, see General Exhibit No. 8050.)

The committee approved Rule R277-519, Educator Inservice Procedures and Credit on first reading and moves the Board approve it on second reading. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem

absent.

Utah General Educational Development Certificate, Rule R277-702

The Committee reviewed the amendments to the Utah General Educational Development (GED) Certificate Rule R277-702 which reflect USOE staff recommendations. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8051.)

The Committee approved Rule R277-702, Utah General Educational Development Certificate on first reading and moves the Board approve the rule on second reading. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Adult Basic Education and Adult High School Completion Programs, Rule R277-733

The Committee reviewed the amendments to the Utah Adult Basic Education and Adult High School Completion Programs Rule R277-733 which reflect the Utah Adult Education Advisory Committee recommendations. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8052.)

The Committee approved Rule R277-733, Adult Basic Education and Adult High School Completion Programs on first reading and moves the Board approve the rule on second reading. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel, and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Curriculum and Instruction Committee

Member Cheryl Ferrin, Chair, Curriculum and Instruction Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

Accreditation of Secondary Schools, Alternative or Special Purpose Schools, Rule R277-413

Staff presented a re-write of the school accreditation rule which broadens the definition, Accreditation of Secondary Schools, Alternative or Special Purpose Schools, R277-413. This will involve both Northwest standards and State Board of Education administrative rules. It will formalize the school improvement plan as the accrediting model. This plan will consist of schools§ identifying their mission statement, their goals for their students, and the processes they will follow to achieve their goals, such as plans for improving student performance, staff development necessary to reach those standards, the use of assessment instruments, etc. (For complete details of the rule, see General Exhibit No. 8053.)

The Committee approved Rule R277-413, Accreditation of Secondary Schools, Alternative or Special Purpose Schools on first reading and moves the Board approve the rule on second reading. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Applied Technology and Rehabilitation Committee

Member Susan Henshaw, Chair, Applied Technology and Rehabilitation Committee presented the following recommendations from the Committee:

ATC Space Utilization Study, 1998

Jim Christensen, Specialist, Applied Technology, presented the ATC Space Utilization Study for 1998. The 1998 report is an addendum to the 1997 report and provides data on programs that changed in 1998 such as new and remodeled space or space being considered for renovation or expansion. To maintain a focus on effective utilization of space in the applied technology centers, the State Office of Education

conducts an annual review of room and workstation utilization. (For complete details of the study, see General Exhibit No. 8054.)

Motion from the Committee to approve the 1998 Utah Applied Technology Centers Space Utilization Study. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel, and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Rehabilitation Services Advisory Council Annual Report

The Rehabilitation Services Advisory Council presented their annual report for FY 98. The report describes the goals of the Council and the results obtained with respect to each goal. It also contains recommendations for next year's Council. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8055.)

Motion from the Committee to receive the report. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel, and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

Utah Statewide Independent Living Council Annual Report

The Utah Statewide Independent Living Council presented its annual report for FY 98. The report describes the goals of the Council and the results obtained with respect to each goal. It also contains recommendations for next year's Council. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8056.)

Motion from the Committee to receive the report. Motion carried with Members Barney, Brown, Cannon, Ferrin, Henshaw, Hurst, Kennedy, Richards, Shields, Steel and Watson voting in favor; Member Haslem absent.

General Consent Calendar

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Neola Brown to approve the General Consent Calendar as presented.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting of the State Board for Applied Technology Education and the State Board of Education held November 6, 1998.

2. Contracts

(A) Asay Advertising. \$73,000. 10/28/98-7/31/99. - Amend. Fed.

Legislative mandate to develop a multimedia campaign focusing on current labor market information and the excellent training opportunities available through applied technology education. The campaign goal is to improve the awareness of job opportunities and skills necessary to compete in a global economy.

(B) Dianna Swartz. \$9,000. 12/1/98-6/30/01. - Fed.

To assist/facilitate with multi-district Service-Learning workshops where teachers learn to identify and implement community service projects with their students. This would involve five (5) workshops per year plus two (2) site-based consultation visits per year at selected sites.

(C) Washington School District. \$4,538.40. 7/1/98-6/30/99. - Amend.

To provide the services of the principal of Bloomington Hills School to act as Director of the Utah Principals Academy for 1998-99.

(D) Dorothy Pannell-Martin/in-TEAM Associates. \$5,200. 2/9/99-2/10/99.

The in-TEAM Associates Company will provide financial and cost control training to school food service, directors, and coordinators. The training will cover the topics on attachments to the Contract.

(E) Jensen & Keddington. \$29,329. 12/1/98-12/31/99. - Amend. - Fed.

To provide services for the audit requirements in order to comply with Federal regulations.

(F) Bybee & Company. \$28,392. 12/1/98-12/31/99. Amend. - Fed.

To provide services for the audit requirements in order to comply with Federal regulations.

(For complete details of the Contracts, see General Exhibit No. 8057.)

3. SBR/SBE Joint Liaison Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Joint SBR/SBE Liaison Committee Meeting held September 8, 1998. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8058.) The State Board of Education approved the minutes of the meeting, and ratified the actions of the Joint Liaison Committee.

4. State Textbook Commission Recommendations

On October 1, 1998, the Utah State Textbook Commission recommended over 500 titles for approval from the attached printout. The Commission also recommended that the State Board accept the bids received from the publishers and direct staff to award contracts to the publishers to furnish instructional materials to the schools of Utah. (For complete details of the recommendations, see General Exhibit No. 8059.) The State Board of Education adopted the instructional materials as recommended by the Utah State Textbook Commission and directed staff to award contracts to the various publishers.

5. Utah State Board of Education/Utah State Board for Applied Technology Education Proposed 1999 Meeting Schedule

A proposed meeting schedule for the State Board for Applied Technology Education and the State Board of Education for 1999 was approved. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8060.)

6. Visually Handicapped Trust Fund Expenditures

The Division of Services for the Blind Visually Impaired Advisory Council, at their October meeting unanimously supported the following requests from the Visually Handicapped Trust Fund. The State Board of Education approved the expenditures from the Visually Handicapped Trust Fund as requested.

Palisade Pals - \$1,500 - Summer camps for disabled youths and their families.

Utah Council of the Blind - Youth Camp - \$4,000 Summer camp for blind children.

Utah Council of the Blind - Ceramics Class - \$2,500 ¥¥ Ceramics classes in Ogden and Salt Lake City for blind individuals

Utah Council of the Blind ¥¥ Technology Access - \$3,500 ¥¥ To provide or defray the expense of acquiring computer access technology for blind individuals.

Utah Council of the Blind - Braille Availability - \$2,000 ¥¥ To defray the costs for blind adults to obtain materials in braille.

Utah Council of the Blind - Cab Coupon Program - \$4,000 ¥¥ To provide affordable transportation to blind individuals in the Salt Lake City area.

Ogden Association of the Blind - \$7,000 ¥¥ A cab coupon program to provide affordable transportation to individuals in Ogden.

National Federation of the Blind of Utah - \$5,000 ¥¥ Summer camp for blind children.

The Braille Resource & Literacy Center - \$4,500 ¥¥ To make braille materials available to blind individuals.

Utah Foundation for the Blind and Visually Impaired - \$2,000 ¥¥ To provide competitive sports programs for blind and visually impaired youth.

7. List of Applicants for Certificates

A summary of the list of applicants for initial and renewal certificates for November, 1998. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8061.)

8. Claims Report

The Claims Report in the amount of \$139,131,203.56, ending November 30, 1998, was approved. (For complete details, see General Exhibit No. 8062.)

Recognition of Outgoing Board Members

Chairman Katharine Garff introduced her family.

Chairman Garff asked each of the outgoing Board Members to comment.

Member Neola Brown stated that is a very special time. She commented to the Board that when the time comes for them to leave the board she hoped they might have the same sense of satisfaction and be comfortable with their decision as she is. She stated that many things have happened in the last 18 years, there has been tremendous progress, many problems being solved and many not being solved, but it has been a very rich and rewarding experience. She expressed her very best wishes to all and hoped they enjoyed their time on the Board.

Member Waynette Steel expressed appreciation for the opportunity and privilege to work with each member of the Board and staff. She commented that she has received so much more than she has given. She said that through her experience on the Board she learned how complicated our system is and the simpler the solution the more wrong it is. She has gained a great appreciation for the wonderful educators throughout the state. She stated she was grateful to be serving the children of Utah.

Chairman Katharine Garff commented:

Seven years ago I came to the Board in a state of wonderment. I remember sitting in Scott's office with my husband, having them both encourage me to accept the appointment to the Board. I think Scott mentioned it would only take approximately one day a month of my time!! The \$2 billion dollar budget seemed overwhelming and the acronyms and facts were beyond my ability to remember. There was so much to learn. Children's lives were being affected, and I worried that if I didn't read every document and every word to every report that I would misrepresent the people of the state of Utah. As I looked into the faces of these precious children, faces of varied background, diversities and needs, I privately worried about giving my heart to so many. Anyone who has ever loved children has had their heart filled to the brim with laughter, insight, joy and yet has also had their heart wrung, twisted, and sometimes broken by close relationships...but the alternative is to never give your heart to anyone or to anything. Then, the heart becomes hardened, broken, immovable and impenetrable. I found myself in a paradox that involved giving of my time without reservation and yet in doing so I feared this very moment of departure and separation.

I have learned much about the structure of our state government, about the structure and role of each employee at the Office of Education, about the purpose and function of the State Board of Education.

One of the greatest realizations I have recognized during this seven years is the respect I have gained for the leadership of this office. I don't know if I have ever had a finer mentor outside my family, than in Scott Bean. His intellectual capacity to remember the facts of this office, his people skills, his oratory skills, and his ability to stand before the press and his vision concerning what is best for the children of this state has been monumental. I would hope that you could continue Scott's efforts. I have full confidence in each one of you.

I have never been involved in any projects that have been more exciting than the Superintendent's proposals for educational reform. He has set a standard for the future policy changes for education in the entire state. He has been a remarkable gift to the state of Utah. He also has had the wisdom to surround himself with an extremely talented staff. The associate superintendents, Laurie Chivers, Jerry Peterson, Steve Laing, Rob Brems and Blaine Peterson are equally bright and capable. Those of the past include Bruce Griffin and Steve Mecham, whom I have been acquainted with. I will not ever forget my love for Twila and the deep admiration and affection I feel for her. There are many more in this office whom I have become close to and I have appreciated your time, your advice, your research, your dedication to your job so that again children's lives and their education will be affected.

I would like to pay tribute to all the board members that I have been fortunate enough to work with and become friends with. My first introduction as a board member came from Keith Checketts and Grant Hurst. I came onto the board when it was a 9-member board, and thankful that Neola has understood everything and helped guide me as well. It is now a 15-member board and is more effective than ever, where every voice is important and necessary. Thank you for your individual friendships and your unique contributions to my life as well as to the Board.

I leave knowing that you are all very devoted to your Board positions and that you put in endless time and effort into your varied assignments. You redefine the meaning of the word volunteer. I am particularly delighted that I have such a wonderful replacement in Kim Burningham.

This is a board of integrity, I am proud to say, members who sincerely give honest effort and shared wisdom to serve the community. Thank you for being a great part of my life. The policies that we have been a part of during the past seven years have been profound. I sadly

and yet happily turn this gavel over to our new chair, John Watson .. Shakespeare said it best,
○Parting is such sweet sorrow.○

I would like to leave you with a few more favorite education quotes:

John F. Kennedy: ○A child miseducated is a child lost.○

Gabriela Mistral: ○Many things we need can wait. The child cannot. Right now is the time his bones are being formed, his blood is being made and his senses are being developed. To him we cannot answer §Tomorrow.§ His name is §Today.§ May we never neglect the education of children today...○

Adlai Stevenson: ○Life is the most interesting thing I ever got into..I§m glad I didn§t miss it.○

Vice Chairman John Watson stated that one of the weightiness tasks he has had is to say goodbye to these three great people. We have heard many things today and he thought of many things to wish them well. He told Neola many years ago when he came on the board that one of his greatest heros in his life is his mother and Neola gives him a sense of that when he is with the board. She is a wonderful woman, who has spent 45 years in the education process, 18 years of it on the Board. We don§t often in our lives see that kind of dedication. She has served as chair and vice chair, run for a legislative position, and is a woman of all seasons.

Waynette Steel has been a silent giant, and as I talked with her and told her how much I would miss her she said she didn§t realize how much it had given to her and how much she would miss it. She has served as a committee chair, the comments she makes are well founded, she is a good thinker, and will be missed.

A little thought that says: ○Just because you are on the track, doesn§t mean you are safe, you must be going the right direction...the train can run over you if not.○ Member Garff has been a great mentor, become a great friend and has some sincere passions for education. One of the quotes she has made that he enjoys is ○tolerance without tolerating.○ This is part of the position of the Board Members.

Vice Chairman Watson commented that these members are leaving a legacy, big shoes to fill and a combined 30 years of experience on the Board. They were on the right track and going the right direction, and it is hoped we can carry on that legacy.

Vice Chairman Watson presented each outgoing member with a traditional bell plaque.

Vice Chairman Watson presented a gavel to outgoing Board Chairman Katharine B. Garff for her outstanding service as Board Chairman for 1997 and 1998.

Motion was made by Member C. Grant Hurst and seconded by Member Marilyn Shields to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m

Following the meeting the Board hosted a reception for outgoing Board Member Neola Brown recognizing 18 years of service on the State Board of Education.
