

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject:

DISCUSSION: USDB Allowing Siblings of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students to Attend a USD Campus Program

Agenda item type:

Discussion Item

Recommended Action:

The Committee will provide feedback in anticipation of staff preparing a draft rule based on the discussion.

Background:

Board Member Wood received an email message from a constituent advocating for a change in policy that would grant siblings of deaf children the opportunity to attend USDB alongside their deaf siblings.

Pursuant to Subsection [53E-8-401\(6\)\(b\)](#), the State Board “may make rules to allow a resident of Utah who is neither deaf, blind, nor deafblind to receive services of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind if the resident is younger than 22 years of age.”

Based on the results of the discussion, the Committee may wish to direct staff to propose a rule change in accordance with [Board Policy 1002](#) to meet this request. Board Member Wood and USDB staff will facilitate a discussion of policy options the Board may want to consider enacting.

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Attachments:

1. Proposal to Allow Siblings of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students to Attend a USD Campus Program