



# DRAFT MINUTES

## SENATE EDUCATION CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE

Monday, February 12, 2024 | 12:15 p.m. | 220 Senate Building

### Members Present:

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore, Chair  
Sen. David P. Hinkins  
Sen. John D. Johnson  
Sen. Ann Millner  
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

### Members Absent:

Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Keith Grover

### Staff Present:

Finn Andrew Rose, Policy Analyst  
Micah Ann Wixom, Policy Analyst  
Taylor Calabrese, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Fillmore called the meeting to order at 12:25 p.m.

### 1. Committee Business

### 2. Review the Proposed Appointment of Beverly Burgess for the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees

Beverly Burgess gave their background and qualifications and answered committee questions.

Sen. Evan Vickers expressed support for the nomination of Beverly Burgess.

**MOTION:** Sen. Johnson moved to favorably recommend the appointment of Beverly Burgess as a member of the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

#### Yeas - 5

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

#### Nays - 0

#### Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. K. Grover

**MOTION:** Sen. Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2024, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

#### Yeas - 5

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

#### Nays - 0

#### Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. K. Grover

### 3. Review the Proposed Appointment of Marilee Eyre for the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees

Marilee Eyre gave their background and qualifications and answered committee questions.

Jodi Hart Wilson, Chair, Southern Utah University Board of Trustees, assisted Marilee in answering a questions from the committee.



Sen. Evan Vickers expressed support for the nomination of Marilee Eyre.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to favorably recommend the nomination of Marilee Eyre as a member of the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. K. Grover

#### 4. Review the Proposed Appointment of Derral Eves for the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees

Derral Eves gave their background and qualifications and answered committee questions.

Sen. Johnson assumed the chair.

Jodi Hart Wilson expressed support for the appointment of Derral Eves.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to favorably recommend the nomination of Derral Eves as a member of the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover

#### 5. Review the Proposed Appointment of Sydney Nakken for the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees

Sydney Nakken gave their background and qualifications and answered committee questions.

Sen. Fillmore assumed the chair.

Sen. Evan Vickers expressed support for the nomination of Sydney Nakken.

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to favorably recommend the nomination of Sydney Nakken as a member of the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. K. Grover

#### 6. Adjourn

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.



Yeas - 5

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. K. Grover

Chair Fillmore adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m.