

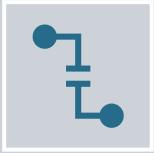
# SCSB Quarterly Budget Update to USBE

## Overview: Building a Transparent & Collaborative Framework

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# Budget Oversight & Autonomy



## Purpose:

Support **USBE oversight** and **SCSB autonomy**, both grounded in Utah Code and the USBE/SCSB Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)



## Key Points:

USBE **approves** SCSB's annual budget

SCSB **executes** within approved parameters

**Joint reviews** build transparency and trust

# Budget Oversight Process

## 1. Annual Approval

- USBE staff drafts → SCSB finalizes → USBE approves

## 2. Monthly Virtual Check-Ins beginning after Q1

- Budget vs. Actual report
- Variance discussion

## 3. Quarterly Review Meetings (SCSB to USBE)

- Joint team: USBE & SCSB
- Focus: High Level, variances, trends, improvements

# SCSB Internal Controls & Finance Committee

## Segregation of Duties:

- Roles separated: **Request** → **Approve** → **Pay**
- Embedded in system controls

## Next Step for SCSB Finance Committee:

- Propose: **Finance Committee review** for all **>\$75K** purchases/positions

## FY 2026 Final Budget

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2	Mentoring & Training	26CHMT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ 400,000	
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# Program Consolidation

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**PREVIOUS 6 PROGRAMS → NOW 3 PROGRAMS**

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**1. CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD (OPERATIONS) – \$2.02M**

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**2. MENTORING & TRAINING (CONTRACT SERVICES) – \$400K**

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**3. START-UP FUNDS (PASS-THROUGH TO LEAS) – \$1.59M**

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**NOTES: ADMINISTRATIVE AND FISCAL PROGRAMS NOW UNIFIED UNDER “CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD.”  
MENTORING AND TRAINING NOW COMBINED INTO 1 PROGRAM.**

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\$214K shifted from Indirect Cost Pool →  
**Other Expenses**

Now used for **contracted services**



**Examples:**

IT Support –  
\$90K

“Traction”  
Implementation  
– \$27.5K

Educational  
Research - \$9K

Accountability  
Framework  
Management –  
\$77.5K

**FY26  
Budget  
Highlights**

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# Staffing & Travel

## FTEs:

- 10 current FTEs; budget for 2 more FTEs in FY26 (needs assessment underway)

## Travel:

- **In-State:** \$11.5K – On-site school support
- **National:** \$18.9K – Presenting & sharing best practices

# Closing & What's Next

- Thank you to USBE staff!
- Next Update: Q1 Budget-to-Actual, key trends, and adjustments
- Questions?