



Meeting Minutes

Utah State Board of Education

A regular meeting of the Utah State Board of Education was held on October 2, 2025. Chair Hymas presided. As authorized by Utah Code Section 52-4, this meeting was held at the state board offices, located at 250 E. 500 S, Salt Lake City, Utah. The public can view the discussion through live [YouTube](#) streaming.

Members Present

Board Chair Matt Hymas
Vice-Chair Amanda Bollinger
Vice-Chair LeAnn Wood
Member Christina Boggess
Member Joseph Kerry
Member Randy Boothe
Member Joann Brinton
Member Erin Longacre

Member Jennie Earl
Member Sarah Reale
Member Rod Hall
Member Cole Kelley
Member Emily Green
Member Carol Lear
Member Cindy Davis

Executive Staff Present

Molly Hart, State Superintendent
Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent
Elisse Newey, Deputy Superintendent
Leah Voorhies, Deputy Superintendent

Minutes were taken by:

Cybil Prideaux, Executive Assistant

Others Present

Braeden Stander, Brigham Stander, Sarah Erb, Julie Cluff, Cammy Whitchurch, Corey Fairholm, Carol Rednour, Aimee Warren, Amber Bonner, Stacey Mollinet, and Jamie Renda.

Opening Business

Chair Hymas called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

Board Member Message

Member LeAnn Wood shared the October message.

Employee Recognition

Superintendent Hart announced the Employee of the Month: Julie Clark.

Public Comment for USBE

The Board heard from Brigham Stander, Braeden Stander, Renée Pinkney, and Heidi Alder.

- The public may sign up to share public comments at publiccomment@schools.utah.gov.
- The public may send written public comments to the Board at board@schools.utah.gov
- Public comments are limited to 2 minutes per person.
- A comment can express support or dissent for regulatory action.
- Individuals should refrain from using public comments to complain about personnel issues or attack or defame another individual.
- Speakers making a highly detailed or complex comment should also consider providing a written outline of their words to the Board.
- Please remember that children may hear your comments. Be thoughtful and professional.
- Keep your comments appropriate for a general audience. If you have material with explicit language or content, submit such material in writing to the Board at board@schools.utah.gov

Audit Committee Report

Modify the Internal Audit Plan

MOTION was made by Member Hall that the Board update the Internal Audit Plan to include a USDB Consultation that will be started upon finalization of a consultancy agreement and approval of the Board.

The motion carried.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Kerry.

Law and Licensing Committee Report/Recommendations – (Items duplicated from the September 5, 2025, meeting)

Amendments to Board Bylaws Article IV

MOTION was made by Member Kerry that the Board approve the Board Bylaws Article IV, Member Ethics, Draft 3.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Bollinger and seconded by Member Brinton that the Board reinstate Lines 70-71 of Draft 3.

~~[a) Once the Board has voted on an issue, the vote is the official position of the Board]~~

The motion carried.

8 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Wood, Boothe, Davis, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

7 OPPOSED: Members Kelley, Brinton, Green, Kerry, Hall, Boggess, and Earl.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board strike “or for conduct inconsistent with the duties of the office. “ from Lines 89-90.

The motion failed.

4 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Green, Boggess, and Hall.

11 OPPOSED: Members Earl, Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Boothe, Davis, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION, AS AMENDED

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

4 OPPOSED: Members Boggess, Wood, Green, and Hall.

R277-305, School Leadership License Areas of Concentration and Programs (Amendment)

MOTION was made by Member Kerry that the Board approve R277-305, School Leadership License Areas of Concentration and Programs, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board insert after Line 77:

() acting with integrity, fairness, and ethical behavior, and documenting and reporting lapses consistent with federal, state, and local law, and policy;

() ensuring that subordinates comply with Rule R277-217 and LEA codes of conduct adopted consistent with Rule R277-322;

The motion failed.

5 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Hall, Boggess, Brinton, and Green.

10 OPPOSED: Members Reale, Kerry, Wood, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board inserted after Line 69:

() understanding parent rights, consent, requests, and reasonable accommodations under Utah Code, including Section 53G-6-803, and Board rule;

The motion carried.

10 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Hall, Boggess, Brinton, Green, Wood, Davis, Earl, Longacre, and Bollinger.

5 OPPOSED: Members Lear, Reale, Hymas, Boothe, and Kerry.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board insert after Line 84:

() understanding internal control systems.

The motion carried.

10 IN FAVOR: Members Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, and Bollinger.

5 OPPOSED: Members Lear, Hymas, Reale, Kelley, and Boothe.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board insert after Line 134 and insert 84:

- (l) supervising subordinates and ensuring compliance in alignment with federal, state, and local law and policy through evaluation and oversight;
- (m) assigning responsibilities to staff based on appropriate licensure, endorsements, and demonstrated competencies;
- (n) documenting and addressing allegations or concerns in a timely manner consistent with applicable law and policy; and
- (o) understanding and implementing internal control systems, data systems, including analysis, reliability, and retention, budgeting and expending funds, and school safety drills.

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board strike Line 134 and insert Line 84.

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, and Bollinger.

4 OPPOSED: Members Lear, Hymas, Reale, and Davis.

MOTION TO REFER was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Brinton.

The motion failed.

7 IN FAVOR: Members Kerry, Brinton, Earl, Green, Boggess, Longacre, and Davis.

8 OPPOSED: Members Bollinger, Boothe, Hymas, Lear, Wood, Hall, Reale, and Kelley.

MOTION TO AMEND, AS AMENDED

The motion failed.

5 IN FAVOR: Members Green, Boggess, Longacre, Kelley, and Brinton.

10 OPPOSED: Members Lear, Hymas, Reale, Davis, Kerry, Wood, Boothe, Earl, Hall, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board add after Line 134, “and required verification with prior employers as outlined in Section 53G-11-410.

In context: (k) implementing a school’s screening and hiring process, including interviews, the notification of successful and unsuccessful applicants, and required verification with prior employers as outlined in Section 53G-11-410.

The motion failed.

7 IN FAVOR: Members Wood, Kelley, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, and Bollinger.

8 OPPOSED: Members Hymas, Kerry, Lear, Brinton, Boothe, Reale, Earl, and Davis.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member that the Board insert after Line 134:

(I) Demonstrating school safety protocols.

The motion carried.

12 IN FAVOR: Members Hymas, Kerry, Brinton, Earl, Davis, Wood, Kelley, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, and Bollinger.

3 OPPOSED: Members Reale, Lear, and Boothe.

MOTION, AS AMENDED

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

R277-731, Catalyst Center Grant Program Policy (New)

MOTION was made by Member Kerry that the Board approve R277-731, Catalyst Center Grant Program Policy, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

MOTION TO REFER was made by Member Hall and seconded that the Board refer R277-731 back to Law and Licensing Committee to discuss during a special meeting prior to the full November Board Meeting.

The motion carried.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

2 OPPOSED: Members Boggess and Wood.

UPPAC Rules

MOTION was made by Member Bollinger that the Board approve that the Committee share the committee discussion with Board leadership and recommend establishment of a working group to review UPPAC rules.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION was made by Member Kerry and seconded that the Board direct the Law and Licensing committee to study the processes and systems of UPPAC, identify strengths and weaknesses, and provide a comprehensive report with recommendations to Board leadership by May 30, 2026, for determination of next steps.

The motion carried.

13 IN FAVOR: Members Kerry, Brinton, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

2 OPPOSED: Members Wood, and Reale.

WITHDREW MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board move consideration of R277-210 (Draft 6) to next month's board meeting.

Law and Licensing Committee Report/Recommendations – (Items duplicated from the September 23, 2025, meeting)

Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC) Rules

No Motion for the Board

Finance Committee Report/Recommendations – (Items duplicated from the June 6, 2025, meeting.)

R277-407, School Fees (Amendment)

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Board approve R277-407, School Fees, Draft 3, on second and final reading.

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

R277-494, Charter, Online, Home, and Private School Student Participation in Extracurricular or Co-Curricular Activities (Amendment & Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Board continue and approve R277-494, Charter, Online, Home, and Private School Student Participation in Extracurricular or Co-Curricular Activities, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

The motion carried.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 OPPOSED: Member Boggess.

R277-319, Special Educator Stipends (Amendment & Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Board continue and approve R277-319, Special Educator Stipends, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

The motion carried.

13 IN FAVOR: Members Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

2 ABSENT: Members Reale and Green.

MOTION TO POSTPONE was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board table this item until after the lunch break.

The motion carried.

8 IN FAVOR: Members Brinton, Boothe, Boggess, Longacre, Hall, Green, Kelley, and Kerry.

7 OPPOSED: Members Reale, Wood, Davis, Earl, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

State Fiscal Year 2025 Carry Forward Balance Status and Approval for Use

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Committee recommends forwarding the State Fiscal Year 2025 Carry Forward Balance Status and Approval for Use to the full Board for consideration.

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded by Member Kelley that the Board approves use of the carry-forward balances for use in FY 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Kelley and seconded by Member Davis that the Board approve repurposing \$150,000 from the FY2025 carry-forward balances to support the *Every Day Counts* attendance campaign.

MOTION was made by Member Longacre and seconded by Member Brinton that the Board to the October 3 Board's Unfinished Business.

The motion carried.

12 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, and Bollinger.

3 OPPOSED: Members Hymas, Davis, and Wood.

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Wood that the Board approve repurposing \$1,600,000 from the FY25 Carry-forward balances to address the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind budget deficit and that the Board approves repurposing \$3,000,000 to establish a contingency fund for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind and that any unused balance goes back to reallocation.

The motion carried.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Lear, Bollinger, Hymas, Davis, and Wood.

1 OPPOSED: Member Longacre.

State Fiscal Year 2025 Discretionary Carry Forward Balance Status and Approval for Use

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Board approves continuing a contingency fund of \$200,000, and a legal contingency fund of \$250,000.

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Board approves using \$350,000 of State Discretionary funds to:

- Support the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction - \$100,000

- Continue onsite security guard services at the USBE office - \$150,000
- Establish a building operations budget for fiscal year 2026, covering various replacements and repairs - \$100,000.

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Davis that the Board approves the allocation of \$32,500 in State Discretionary funds to support a statewide essay contest commemorating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, for students in grades 5, 8, and high school.

Proposed Funding Breakdown:

\$25,000 for 250 awards of \$100 each

\$7,500 for three awards of \$2,500 each

MOTION TO AMEND: Member Earl moved, with a second by Member Brinton, that the Board allocate an additional \$6,000 to fund six runner-up awards of \$1,000 each, in addition to three primary awards of \$2,500 each.

\$6,000 for six runner-up awards of \$1,000 each

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION, AS AMENDED

\$38,500 in State Discretionary funds

Proposed Funding Breakdown:

\$25,000 for 250 awards of \$100 each

\$6,000 for six runner-up awards of \$1,000 each

\$7,500 for three awards of \$2,500 each

The motion passed unanimously.

15 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

Board Rule Waiver Request

Box Elder School District (180 day) Emergency Waiver Request (R277-121-5)

MOTION was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Longacre that the Board approve Box Elder School District's 180-day exempt waiver request.

The motion carried.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Boggess.

Chair Hymas passed the gavel to Vice chair Bollinger.

Standards and Assessment Committee Report/Recommendations – (Items duplicated from the September 5, 2025, meeting.)

R277-469, Instructional Materials Operating Procedures (Amendment)

MOTION was made by Member Earl that the Board approves R277-469, Instructional Materials Operating Procedures, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

The motion carried.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Boggess.

Vice chair Bollinger passed the gavel to Chair Hymas.

R277-717, High School Course Grading Requirements (Amendment)

MOTION was made by Member Earl that the Board approves R277-717, High School Course Grading Requirements, Draft 2, as amended, on second and final reading.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Reale that the Board amend R277-717 Line 62 read “A student may not use a packet method and an LEA may not designate a packet method as original credit to improve a previous course grade of high school student consistent with R277-705-3(9).”

The motion failed.

14 OPPOSED: Members Hall, Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

R277-721, PRIME Pilot Program (Amendment & Continuation)

MOTION was made by Member Earl that the Board continue and approve R277-721, PRIME Pilot Program, Draft 1, on second and final reading.

The motion carried.

13 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 OPPOSED: Member Boggess.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

Superintendent Report

Acknowledgement of Student Artwork

Shanda Stegner, Arts and Wellness Coordinator

In the Utah Tech University Region, our BTS Arts educators are being highlighted for their effective use of arts integration with other core subject areas to enrich student learning. These teachers are masterfully blending the visual arts, drama, and music into core academic subjects, demonstrating how music and drama can illuminate a story's structure, and how the visual arts can bring historical concepts, such as the U.S. Constitution, to life. These innovative methods not only produce beautiful final works but also create thoughtful and meaningful learning journeys that make academic standards accessible and engaging for students.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Hart introduced the student artwork of the month.

Consent Calendar

Member Earl pulled Contract for approvals item 11.1.7 and Member Boggess pulled 11.4.

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Brinton that the Board approve the consent calendar minus items pulled.

The motion carried.

10 IN FAVOR: Members Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

3 OPPOSED: Member Boggess, Green, and Kerry.

2 ABSENT: Members Davis and Reale.

Contracts/Agreements for Approval

MOTION: That the Board approve the monthly Consent Calendar, minus USBE260019CT.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: That the Board approve the meeting minutes, as presented.

Contract USBE260019CT Prevent Child Abuse Utah

MOTION was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Bollinger that the Board approve item 11.1.7.

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Brinton, Wood, Reale, Kerry, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Hall, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

3 OPPOSED: Member Boggess, Green, and Longacre.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

Fiscal Year 2025 Child Nutrition Non-Competitive Technology Innovation Grant

MOTION: That the Board approve participation in the Fiscal Year 2025 Child Nutrition Non-Competitive Technology Innovation Grant.

The motion carried.

12 IN FAVOR: Members Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Reale, Boothe, Earl, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger, and Kerry.

1 OPPOSED: Member Boggess.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Green.

1 ABSENT: Members Davis.

Monthly Budget Report

Monthly Budget Report

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

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 Utah State Board of Education is provided with the status of the funds. This is a perpetual action item to facilitate motions by board members to utilize available funds in a consistent and allowable manner.

October Economic Update

USBE staff will present the latest available information on projected revenues for the FY27 budget year as well as a general economic update to assist the USBE with prioritizing funding requests.

2026 General Legislative Session Preparation

MOTION was made by Member Kelley and seconded by Member Brinton that the USBE will work with the state legislature to ensure that money currently allocated for our Title programs continue to serve the students they are intended to and direct staff to work with a Legislator to create a revenue neutral plan to ensure that Utah citizens are not being short changed with Federal education dollars being sent to states.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION was made by Member Kerry and seconded that the USBE work with the Utah State Legislature to remove language permitting the use of driver education funds for (1) for pupil transportation and (2) other expenditures related to public education as the Legislature designates in 53F-7-201.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION was made by Member Bollinger and seconded that the Board direct the Superintendent to work with the Legislature to repeal the Early Learning Plan requirements in code and the requirements for the mathematics plan.

The motion passed unanimously.

12 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

2 ABSENT: Members Davis and Brinton.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded that the Board request staff work with the Legislature to amend Subsection 53G-6-803(9)(a) to add the following language:

(iv) is a computer adaptive assessment; or

(v) is an assessment that an LEA or school administers in lieu of an assessment described in Subsections (i) through (iv).

The motion carried.

9 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Green, Kerry, Brinton, Boothe, Earl, Hall, Boggess, and Longacre.

5 OPPOSED: Members Wood, Reale, Hymas, Lear, and Bollinger.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION was made by Member Hymas and seconded by Member Reale that the Board approve the remainder of the staff created legislative requests except for the interstate school psychologist compact request.

FINAL MOTION, AS AMENDED

That the Board approve the remainder of the staff created legislative requests except for the interstate school psychologist compact, school based mental health, and the air quality guidelines requests.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Wood, Boothe, Longacre, Hymas, Brinton, Bollinger, Lear, Reale, Boggess, Kelley, Earl, Hall, Kerry, and Green.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION TO DIVIDE was made by Member Boggess and seconded that the Board divide out the interstate school psychologist compact.

The motion carried.

8 IN FAVOR: Members Wood, Boothe, Longacre, Hymas, Brinton, Bollinger, Lear and Reale.

6 OPPOSED: Member Boggess, Kelley, Earl, Hall, Kerry, and Green.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER was made by Member Brinton.

The motion carried.

8 IN FAVOR: Members Kerry, Kelley, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, and Brinton.

6 OPPOSED: Member Hymas, Bollinger, Wood, Reale, Lear, and Boothe.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION TO DIVIDE was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Brinton that the Board divide the school based mental health and the air quality guidelines requests.

10 IN FAVOR: Members Wood, Longacre, Hymas, Brinton, Boggess, Kelley, Earl, Hall, Kerry, and Green.

4 OPPOSED: Members Bollinger, Boothe, Reale, and Lear.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Green that the Board direct staff to amend appropriate codelines to ensure that all CTE teachers have a license. That the Board direct staff to amend appropriate codelines to ensure that leadership in charter schools is required to obtain a license.

The motion failed.

2 IN FAVOR: Members Boggess and Green.

11 OPPOSED: Members Kerry, Wood, Kelley, Brinton, Boothe, Earl, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

2 ABSENT: Members Davis and Reale.

MOTION was made by Member Bollinger and seconded that the Board direct superintendent to work with the Legislature to amend the funding formula and distribution for the students with disabilities WPU.

The motion carried.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Wood, Kelley, Brinton, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, and Bollinger.

1 OPPOSED: Member Hymas.

1 ABSENT: Member Davis.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded that the Board direct staff to work with a Legislator to repeal Subsection [53E-6-604\(6\)](#).

The motion carried.

12 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Brinton, Hymas, Bollinger, Wood, Reale, Lear, and Boothe.

3 ABSTAINED: Members Kerry, Davis, and Earl.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded that the Board direct staff to work with the Legislature to provide discretion to USBE in distributing the funds associated with 53F-2-310. Stipends for special educators for additional days of work.

The motion carried.

8 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Wood, Boothe, and Earl.

6 OPPOSED: Members Bollinger, Davis, Reale, Lear, Hymas, and Brinton.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Kerry.

Chair Hymas passed the gavel to Vice chair Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Hymas and seconded that the Board add a request for a WPU increase of 1% above the inflationary adjustment to the list of funding requests.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION was made by Member Kerry and seconded by Member Kelley that the Board request a WPU increase of 2% above the inflationary adjustment to the list of funding requests.

The motion carried.

13 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Green, Hall, Kerry, Longacre, Wood, Boothe, Earl, Bollinger, Davis, Lear, Hymas, and Brinton.

1 OPPOSED: Members Boggess.

1 ABSENT: Member Reale.

Draft Legislative Funding Requests for the 2026 General Session

direct the Superintendent to develop a funding request for a State-wide attendance campaign for the October Board Meeting.

MOTION was made by Member Bollinger and seconded by Member Lear that the Board make the WPU the #1 funding request.

The motion carried.

13 IN FAVOR: Members Kelley, Reale, Green, Hall, Kerry, Longacre, Wood, Boothe, Earl, Bollinger, Davis, Lear, and Hymas.

1 OPPOSED: Member Boggess.

1 ABSENT: Member Brinton.

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Green that the Board move Beverly Taylor Sorensen funding request to #3.

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Wood, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, and Bollinger.

4 OPPOSED: Members Kerry, Kelley, Brinton, and Hymas.

MOTION was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Reale that the Critical FTE funding requests be combined into one funding request and prioritized at #5.

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Bollinger. Kerry, Kelley, and Hymas.

4 OPPOSED: Members Boggess, Wood, Green, and Brinton.

Executive Session (closed in accordance with the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act)

The motion was made by Member Kelley and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board move into executive session for the purpose of

- a person's character, competence, or health;
- pending or imminent litigation;
- certain matters regarding the acquisition or sale of real property, including water rights or shares;
- the deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems;
- an investigation of alleged criminal conduct;
- the receipt or review of an ethics complaint if the public body is the Independent Legislative Ethics Commission;
- certain matters under the jurisdiction of a legislative ethics committee; and
- certain deliberations and decision-making involved in the procurement process.

Upon the voice vote of Members Lear, Reale, Boggess, Boothe, Wood, Kerry, Lear, Brinton, Earl, Green, Longacre, Hymas, Davis, Kelley, and Bollinger, the Board entered a closed session at 7:00 PM.

The following individuals were also present: Molly Hart, Cybil Prideaux, Kelsey James, Ashley Biehl, Ben Rasmussen, Elisse Newey, Scott Jones, and Angela Doan.

MOTION was made by Member Kelley and seconded by Member Earl that the Board come out of the executive session.

Upon voice votes of Members Lear, Reale, Boggess, Boothe, Wood, Kerry, Lear, Brinton, Earl, Green, Longacre, Hymas, Kelley, and Bollinger, the Board came out of the executive session at 9:04 PM.

Member Davis was absent for the below motions.

Executive Session Action Items

Educator Licenses

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry at the Board grant a waiver for the educator with CACTUS ID 145452 from inclusion in the lookup tool under R277-312-7(6) through 10/1/28.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

1 OPPOSED: Member Boggess.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC recommendation for

- **Case No. 23-1972**
UPPAC recommends the educator's license be revoked.

The motion unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC recommendation for

- **Case No. 24-2065**
UPPAC recommends the educator's license be reinstated.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC recommendation for

- **Case No. 24-2071**
UPPAC recommends the educator's license be suspended for not less than one (1) year.

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

3 OPPOSED: Members Boggess, Kery, and Green.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC recommendation for

- **Case No. 24-2162**

UPPAC recommends the educator's license be revoked.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC recommendation for

- **Case No. 25-2234**
UPPAC recommends the educator's license be suspended for not less than two (2) years.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board adopt the remand order

- **Case No. 25-2268**
UPPAC recommends the educator's license be suspended for not less than three (1) year.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board approves the UPPAC recommendation for

- **Case No. 25-EH47**

UPPAC recommends the educator receive a Letter of Warning.

The motion carried.

9 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Brinton, Wood, Boothe, Earl, Boggess, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

5 OPPOSED: Members Hall, Kerry, Longacre, Kelley, and Green.

Committee Appointments

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board appoints Amy Pilkington to the Charter School Revolving Loan Committee.

The motion carried.

11 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Hymas, and Bollinger.

3 OPPOSED: Members Lear, Boggess, and Brinton.

Utah Special Education Advisory Panel (USEAP)

MOTION was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Kerry that the Board appoints Julianne R. Hunter, Esperanza Reyes, and Eva Wayman, for a 3-year term as members to the Utah Special Education Advisory Panel (USEAP).

Julianne R. Hunter

- Individual representing Post-secondary Transition services to students with disabilities

Esperanza Reyes

- Applying to represent parents of students with disabilities.

Eva Wayman

- Representative of a charter school special education program implementer

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Boggess, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, and Bollinger.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN was made by Member Kelley and seconded by Member Boothe.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Kerry, Brinton, Wood, Kelley, Boothe, Earl, Green, Hall, Longacre, Lear, Hymas, Boggess, and Bollinger.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

The executive assistant took the meeting minutes.
The minutes were approved on November 7, 2025.