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The meeting was conducted in a hybrid format via Zoom and in person.

Members Present: Joseph Kerry, Amanda Bollinger, Rod Hall, Erin Longacre, Carol Lear

Committee Staff: Elisse Newey, Ben Rasmussen, Vanessa Hatton

Others Present: Malia Hite (online), Cassie Hays (online), Ashley Biehl (online), Bruce Northcott

Chair Kerry called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

6.1 Public Comment

6.2 Daggett School District Waiver Request (Renewal)

Committee Discussion: Daggett School District is requesting a waiver renewal under R277-419-4.

Committee Action: Member Bollinger moved that the Committee approve Daggett School District's request for a waiver renewal from R277-419-4 and forward to the board for approval.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: That the Board approve Daggett School District's request for a waiver renewal from R277-419-4.

6.3 R277-929, State Council on Military Children (Amendment)

Committee Discussion: Based on feedback from LEAs implementing the purple star program with their schools, staff recommend clarifying the rule requirements on training for purple star schools to reflect that staff training should be conducted annually.

Staff presented R277-929, State Council on Military Children, Draft 1, for consideration and approval.

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Committee Action: Member Hall moved that the Committee strike “annually” on Line 84 of Draft 1.

The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Action: Member Hall moved that the Committee approve R277-929, State Council on Military Children, Draft 1, as amended, on first reading and forward to the Board for approval on second and final reading.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: That the Board approve R277-929, State Council on Military Children, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

6.4 R277-210, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC), Definitions (Amendment)

Committee Discussion: Board members Boggess, Green, and Longacre submitted a request to review the UPPAC definitions, Educator standards, and UPPAC presumptions. They propose amending R277-210 to include all the definitions and the bulk of what is contained in R277-215 and R277-217. R277-215 would be repealed under their proposal and R277-217 would be amended to simply set forth LEA and educator reporting requirements. R277-211 would be updated to expand the approved outcomes for an expedited hearing.

Committee Action: Member Bollinger moved that the Committee postpone R277-210, R277-211, R277-215, and R277-217 to a later date.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: None.

6.5 R277-211, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC), Rules of Procedure: Notification to Educators, Complaints and Final Disciplinary Actions (Amendment)

Committee Discussion: Board members Boggess, Green, and Longacre submitted a request to review the UPPAC definitions, Educator standards, and UPPAC presumptions. They propose amending R277-210 to include all the definitions and the bulk of what is contained in R277-215 and R277-217. R277-215 would be repealed under their proposal and R277-217 would be amended to

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simply set forth LEA and educator reporting requirements. R277-211 would be updated to expand the approved outcomes for an expedited hearing.

Committee Action: Member Bollinger moved that the Committee postpone R277-210, R277-211, R277-215, and R277-217 to a later date.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: None.

6.6 R277-215, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission (UPPAC), Disciplinary Rebuttable Presumptions (Repeal)

Committee Discussion: Board members Boggess, Green, and Longacre submitted a request to review the UPPAC definitions, Educator standards, and UPPAC presumptions. They propose amending R277-210 to include all the definitions and the bulk of what is contained in R277-215 and R277-217. R277-215 would be repealed under their proposal and R277-217 would be amended to simply set forth LEA and educator reporting requirements. R277-211 would be updated to expand the approved outcomes for an expedited hearing.

Committee Action: Member Bollinger moved that the Committee postpone R277-210, R277-211, R277-215, and R277-217 to a later date.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: None.

6.7 R277-217, Educator Standards and Local Education Agency (LEA) Reporting (Amendment)

Committee Discussion: Board members Boggess, Green, and Longacre submitted a request to review the UPPAC definitions, Educator standards, and UPPAC presumptions. They propose amending R277-210 to include all the definitions and the bulk of what is contained in R277-215 and R277-217. R277-215 would be repealed under their proposal and R277-217 would be amended to simply set forth LEA and educator reporting requirements. R277-211 would be updated to expand the approved outcomes for an expedited hearing.

Committee Action: Member Bollinger moved that the Committee postpone R277-210, R277-211, R277-215, and R277-217 to a later date.

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The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: None.

6.8 **Board Policy Change**

Committee Discussion: Board members Kerry, Brinton, and Hall are requesting that the following items be placed on the agenda for January 2026, in the appropriate committee for discussion - and possible future action:

- Determine the pros/cons of requiring the Superintendent to create and maintain a Facebook page in order to increase transparency and access to the Superintendent of Public Instruction;
- Determine the possibility of having the full Board receive and review RFPs prior to their issuance;
- Determine the pros/cons of requiring all donations/contributions by USBE be approved by the Board;
- Determine the policy of when any grant must be presented, reviewed, and approved by the Board;
- Any other item as may be appropriately brought up for discussion / action.

Committee Action: None.

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.