



DRAFT MINUTES

SENATE EDUCATION CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE

Friday, February 13, 2026 | 12:00 p.m. | 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Ann Millner, Chair
Sen. Heidi Balderree
Sen. John D. Johnson
Sen. Michael K. McKell
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

Members Absent:

Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore

Staff Present:

Micah Ann Wixom, Policy Analyst
Alyssa Castor, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Millner called the meeting to order at 12:19 p.m.

1. Review the Proposed Appointment of Karen Marriott for the University of Utah Board of Trustees

Karen Marriott, philanthropist, Park City, introduced herself, discussed her background and qualifications, and responded to questions from the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Balderree moved to favorably recommend to the full Senate, the appointment of Karen Marriott as a member of the University of Utah Board of Trustees. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore

2. Committee Business

MOTION: Sen. Balderree moved to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2026, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. K. Riebe

MOTION: Sen. Johnson moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. K. Riebe

Chair Millner adjourned the meeting at 12:41 p.m.