



Meeting Minutes

Utah State Board of Education

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

Utah State Capitol, Senate Committee Room 210
February 12, 2026
12:00 PM to 2:00 PM

The Utah State Board of Education held a legislative meeting on February 12, 2026. Vice Chair Wood presided. As authorized by Utah Code Section 52-4, this meeting was held at the Utah State Capitol, Senate Building Room, 350 N State St, Salt Lake City, UT 84114. The public can access the meeting audio via the Utah State Board of Education Media's live YouTube channel. *Note: A live meeting Webcast or Audiocast is typically available while the meeting is in session.*

Members Present

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| Board Chair Matt Hymas | Member Jennie Earl |
| First Vice-Chair Amanda Bollinger | Member Sarah Reale |
| Second Vice-Chair LeAnn Wood | Member Cindy Davis |
| Member Rod Hall | Member Randy Boothe |
| Member Carol Lear | Member Erin Longacre |

Members Online

- Member Emily Green
- Member Cole Kelley
- Member Joann Brinton
- Member Christina Boggess

Member Absent

- Member Joseph Kerry

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:

Kelsey James, Carson Miller, Shari Taylor, Nicki Brammer, Kristan Ipsom, Sara Jones, Christina Guevaga, Angela Doan, Piper Riddle, Henry Banera, Brooke Carn, and Susan Edwards.

Opening Business

Vice Chair Wood called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM. She welcomed the public and board members to the forum.

Budget Priorities

2026 Legislative Session Budget and Requests for Appropriations Processes and Actions

Deputy Superintendent Scott Jones will review SB 1 Public Education Base Budget Amendments and answer Board Member questions.

Review of Legislation

[HB 143](#) - Rep. Peterson: Special Education Amendments

MOTION was made by Member Boothe and seconded by Member Boothe that the Board support [HB 143](#) - Special Education Amendments.

The motion passed unanimously.

14 IN FAVOR: Members Reale, Wood, Boothe, Davis, Earl, Hall, Longacre, Lear,

Boggess, Brinton, Hymas, Kelley, Green, and Bollinger.

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

[HB 218](#) - Rep. Teuscher: Digital Skills Amendments

MOTION was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Kelley that the Board support [HB 218](#) - Digital Skills Amendments.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

[HB 55](#) - Rep. Auxier: Privacy Compliance for Educational Technology Vendors

MOTION was made by Member Davis and seconded by Member Boothe that House Bill 55 be brought back to the February 19, 2026, meeting to gain a better understanding of an impending fiscal note. *Motion withdrawn.*

[SB 164](#) - Sen. Wilson: School Construction Amendments

MOTION was made by Member Hymas and seconded by Member Bollinger that the Board support [SB 164](#) - School Construction Amendments.

The motion failed.

7 IN FAVOR: Members Bollinger, Brinton, Earl, Hall, Hymas, Kelley, and Longacre.

6 OPPOSED: Members Boggess, Boothe, Davis, Lear, Reale, and Wood.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Green.

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

MOTION TO POSTPONE was made by Member Davis and seconded by Member Lear that the Board postpone until February 19, 2026, the legislative board meeting.

The motion failed.

6 IN FAVOR: Members Boothe, Davis, Green, Lear, Reale, and Wood.

8 OPPOSED: Members Boggess, Bollinger, Brinton, Earl, Hall, Hymas, Kelley, and Longacre.

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

[SB 69 S1](#) - Sen. Fillmore: School Device Revisions

MOTION was made by Member Brinton and seconded by Member Hall that the Board supports SB 69 – Senator Fillmore: School Device Revisions.

The motion carried.

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

1 OPPOSED: Member Boggess.

1 ABSTAINED: Member Green.

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

MOTION was made by Member Brinton and seconded by Member Green that the Board opposes HB 360, School Athlete Amendments.

The motion carried.

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

1 OPPOSED: Member Longacre.

2 ABSTAINED: Members Davis and Earl.

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

MOTION was made by Member Bollinger and seconded by Member Longacre that the Board opposes SB 271, High School Activities Governance.

The motion carried.

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

2 OPPOSED: Members Boggess and Green.

2 ABSTAINED: Members Davis and Earl.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION was made by Member Earl and seconded.

The motion failed.

10 OPPOSED: Members Boggess, Bollinger, Boothe, Brinton, Green, Hall, Kelley, Lear, Reale, and Wood.

4 IN FAVOR: Members Davis, Earl, Hymas, and Longacre.

MOTION TO AMEND was made by Member Boggess and seconded by Member Bollinger that the Board opposes SB 271, High School Activities Governance, as written on February 12, 2026.

The motion failed.

7 IN FAVOR: Members Boggess, Bollinger, Boothe, Green, Hall, Lear, and Wood.

5 OPPOSED: Members Brinton, Hymas, Kelley, Longacre, and Reale.

2 ABSTAINED: Members Davis and Earl.

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Member Hymas and seconded by Member Longacre that the Board adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

ABSENT: Member Kerry.

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 PM.

The Executive Assistant took the minutes.
The minutes were approved on March 12, 2026.

