

SESC Board Meeting

February 11, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Virtual Only

Present: Roberta Hardy
Mika Salas
Christine Fitzgerald

Jim Shank
John Hughes
Christine Fitzgerald

Welcome from Roberta Hardy.

Consent Items:

- Minutes - Christine Fitzgerald motioned to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2026 SESC Board Meeting. Mika Salas seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Warrants - Mika Salas moved to approve the warrants from 1/15/26, 1/22/26, 1/29/26, 2/5/26. Christine Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Assignments from the Previous Meeting: All previous assignments have been completed.

Discussion Items: John updated the board regarding the Keynote speaker plans.

- SESC Best Practices Forum (June 3, 2026) - John was able to confirm that Dr. Joseph Kozlowski, 2025 Utah Teacher of the Year Top 5 finalist, will be available to be the keynote speaker for the Best Practices Forum in Green River. SESC will provide a hotel for Dr. Kozlowski. Joe will be able to stay after the keynote to lead a discussion group.
- SESC Leadership Summit - John has had difficulty making contact with Clint Betts and is thinking that he could reach out to Sydnee Dickson as a keynote speaker. Christine Fitzgerald might have some recommendations for possible keynote speakers. Christine will do some research and get back with John.
- Legislative Session - The Rural Schools Meeting this week has been cancelled. Representative Walker encouraged the Superintendents to attend the House Education Committee Meeting instead. The meeting will begin at 2:00 PM and John will send out the link as soon as it is available.

Business/Action Items:

- 1st Readings:
 - Code 309 - Minimal changes. Mika Salas moved to approve the changes to Code 309. Christine Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.
 - Code 310 - Minimal changes. Christine Fitzgerald moved to approve SESC Code 310 changes. Mika Salas seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.
 - Code 311 - Minimal changes. Mika Salas motioned to approve the changes to SESC Code 311. Christine Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- April Board Meeting Date: The board decided to set the meeting for April 6, 2026. Christine Fitzgerald moved to approve April 6, 2026 as the date for the SESC Board

Meeting. Mika Salas seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. This will be a virtual meeting to be held at SESC, Price, Utah, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Information Items-Q&A:

- Update on Roofing/Parking Lot Projects:
 - Roof-John updated the board regarding the status of the roof and parking lot projects. SESC has received a bid from Garland/DBS Inc in the amount of \$169,997 to fix the roof. This bid is good for 30 days. John will work with Johnna to get a PO processed and the work should take place when the weather warms.
 - Parking Lot- John is working to secure bids to fix the parking lot at SESC.
 - Painting - John is working to secure bids to repaint the outside of the SESC building.
 - Fund Balance - We will be using the fund balance to complete these projects while being mindful of the possibility of a 5% cut to possible service center funding. John will plan to keep SESC within the state-required fund balance totals.
- March 10th SESC/USBE Regional Instructional Coach Training- This training will be presented by Katie Hill and be held at Green River High School and personalized to fit the needs of the SESC Region. The registration link is available on the agenda. John is hoping for more response to the training and has requested that the Superintendents send the information out again. Christine Fitzgerald mentioned that if not enough people sign up he can move it to Moab and assist with the travel time for some of the river schools. John will check with Katie Hill about this possibility. John hopes to make this a yearly event.
- March 19th SESC/UVU Social Studies PD for Secondary Teachers- This training will be held at the UVU Moab building. The registration link is available on the agenda. Registration closes February 27, 2026.
- March 19th SESC/UVU 4th & 6th Grade Elementary Regional Civics Training-This training will be held at the UVU Moab building. The registration link is available on the agenda. Registration closes March 6, 2026. Many teachers have already signed up. UVU will pay for a hotel room, mileage, and a guest teacher for anyone more than 90 miles away. John would like to continue this training yearly with a possible move to the fall.
- March 20th SESC/UVU 3rd & 5th Grade Elementary Regional Civics Training - This training will be held at the UVU Moab building. The registration link is available on the agenda. Registration closes March 6, 2026. Many teachers have already signed up. UVU will pay for a hotel room, mileage, and a guest teacher for anyone more than 90 miles away. John would like to continue this training yearly with a possible move to the fall.
- April 10th SESC/USLA Conference- This conference will be held at Green River High School and there is a \$25 registration fee. The registration link is available on the agenda. A BYU presenter will be coming to do a session on Native Americans.
- June 3rd SESC Regional Best Practices Forum - This activity will be held at Green River High School from 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM. Registration information will be available within the next month or so. There is excitement within the districts to present. A presentation topic form link is available on the agenda so that Superintendents can list topics for the forum.

- June 4th SESC Regional Leadership Summit - This activity will be held at Grand High School in Moab. Registration information will be available within the next month or so. John has changed the possible topics for the summit.
- SESC/USBE Teacher Mentor Endorsement - The endorsement will begin in May and John will keep the board updated as we go.
- SESC Total Service Hours - John highlighted the service hours pie chart for the Superintendents.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn the SESC Board Meeting was made by Jim Shank at 9:22 AM.