SafeUT & School Board Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: May 15, 2026
Scheduled Time: 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Location: Virtual Meeting

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Associate Members Present:
Barbara Stallone, Acting Chair	Anne Brown	Dan Lund
Cassidy Dragunat	Jennifer Hebdon-Seljestad	Laura Warburton
Rep. Steven Eliason	Sen. Heidi Baldaree	Denia-Marie Wright
Shauntelle Cota	Ken Wallentine	Erin Wynn
Michael Staley	Rebecca Hyde	John Degrey
Brittnee Bassett, Staff		Brent Kious
		Karina Rasmussen

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 11:34 a.m. by the acting chair, serving in place of Commission Chair Ric Cantrell, Barbara Stallone. The acting chair welcomed commission members, agency representatives, and members of the public attending the meeting.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the previous meeting minutes. During discussion, commission members noted that Senator Baldaree's attendance status had not been reflected in the attendance section. It was clarified that Senator Baldaree had not attended the prior meeting. The motion was amended to approve the minutes with correction of the attendance record. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

3. SafeUT Updates and Data Reports

John Degrey presented updates regarding recent SafeUT system outages and upcoming infrastructure upgrades. An unscheduled outage occurred on April 28, 2026 due to a production server issue during deployment of routine security patches. The outage lasted approximately ten minutes. A scheduled maintenance window on April 30, 2026 extended from the planned twenty-five minutes to approximately forty-five minutes due to deployment complications associated with system updates and new platform features. John also reported that SafeUT's current servers will reach end-of-life support status in July 2026 and that migration to upgraded servers is planned following the school year. Commission members expressed appreciation for the IT team's transparency and communication regarding system maintenance and outages.

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Dema Wright presented the April 2026 utilization report and thirteen-month summary data. The report included statistics related to chats, tips, lifesaving interventions, downloads, and user activity. Suicide-related concerns, bullying, and potential school threats remained the most common tip categories. Dema noted that SafeUT utilization has experienced a gradual decline over the previous year and that similar patterns are being observed nationally among comparable services. Discussion also included increased website usage relative to mobile application usage and possible connections to school cellphone policy changes. Additional outreach and marketing efforts planned for the summer months were also discussed.

4. School Safety Center Update

Shauntelle Cota provided updates regarding recent school safety coordination efforts, including responses to swatting incidents that resulted in temporary school closures and transitions to online learning. She reported that SafeUT tips assisted in coordination and communication efforts among schools, law enforcement agencies, and policymakers. Discussion focused on the importance of improving interagency communication, expediting information-sharing processes, and strengthening emergency response coordination. Commission members also discussed updating future meeting agendas to replace references to the former School Security Task Force with School Safety Center terminology.

5. Subcommittee Reports

Third-Party Vendor Subcommittee: Cassidy Dragunat reported that there were no new third-party vendor requests or updates during the reporting period.

Data Subcommittee: Dema Wright reported that several data requests had been reviewed by the committee. Barbara noted that a data request submitted by Brent had been approved following committee review.

Parent Advisory Committee: Laura Warburton reported on recent meetings with representatives from Encircle regarding SafeUT services and outreach efforts. Additional discussion included potential collaboration opportunities with Larkin Mortuary and similar organizations to distribute SafeUT informational materials. Laura also reported continued school outreach activities involving resilience awards and engagement with school counselors and administrators.

6. Legislative Update

Rep. Eliason reported that the legislature is not currently in session and that no pending legislative developments requiring Commission action are currently anticipated.

7. Roundtable Discussion

Commission members received an update from Erin Wynn regarding a publicly reported cybersecurity incident involving Navigate360 and P3 systems. It was reported that the affected system was associated with a prior vendor platform used before development of

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Utah's current SafeUT infrastructure. No confirmation exists that Utah-specific data was compromised. Representatives further explained that publicly available information remains limited and that legal and investigative review of the incident is ongoing.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the SafeUT Commission is scheduled for June 19, 2026 at 11:30 a.m.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:05 p.m. by Acting Commission Chair, Barbara Stallone.

Minutes prepared by: Brittnee Bassett, Office of the Utah Attorney General

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