

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2023

A [Utah State Board of Education legislative meeting](#) was held on February 9, 2023. Chair Moss presided. As authorized by Utah Code 52-4, this meeting was held at the Utah State Capitol Complex Senate Committee Room 210 Salt Lake City, UT 84114. The public can hear the audio of the meeting through live YouTube streaming.

Members Present:

Chair James Moss

First Vice Chair Molly Hart

Second Vice Chair Jennie Earl

Member Christina Boggess

Member Joseph Kerry

Member LeAnn Wood

Member Natalie Cline

Member Randy Boothe

Member Matt Hymas

Member Carol Barlow Lear

Member Kristan Norton

Member Brent J. Strate

Member Sarah Reale

Member Cindy Davis

Members Present Online:

Member Emily Green

Executive Staff Present:

Sydnee Dickson, State Superintendent

Scott Jones, Deputy Superintendent

Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent

Patty Norman, Deputy Superintendent

Minutes were taken by:

Cybil Child, Executive Assistant

Others Present:

USBE staff Bryan Quesenberry, Ashley Biehl, Vanessa Barnes, Liz Bernfield, and Adam Herd.

Opening Business

Chair Moss called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. He welcomed the public and board members to the forum.

Budget Priorities

[2023 Legislative Session Funding Priorities](#)

Deputy Superintendent Scott Jones reviewed the Public Education base budget 2023 Legislative Session and the Constitutional Amendment (Article 10). The Public Education Appropriations meetings are completed as of February 7, 2023. The PEA made motions and recommendations for their budget priorities and will present them to the Executive Appropriations Committee (EAC) today, February 9, 2023. Additionally, legislative leadership has provided more information and direction on the constitutional earmark for board review and consideration.

Review of Legislation

Legislative Policy Requests

Deputy Superintendent Angie Stallings and Policy Analyst Greg Connell reviewed the list of policy requests and answered board member questions.

**Public Education Appropriations Co-Chairs Funding Item List
2023 General Session**

ONGOING PRIORITIES			
ID	Priority	Funding Item	Amount
1A	1	WPU Value Increase	\$104,000,000
3I	2	Public Education Funding Equalization SB0083 (Sen. Fillmore, L.)	\$38,192,400
1D	3	Students At-Risk Add-On	\$51,700,000
1B	4	Full-Day Kindergarten*	\$36,000,000
1F	5	Utah State Board of Education Market Adjustments	\$3,000,000
1G	6	Charter School Base Funding	\$8,293,000
1Z	7	K-12 Computer Science Initiative (Moss, J.)	\$3,000,000
2C	8	Beverly Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program (Rep. Pulsipher, S.)	\$5,000,000
2G	9	Create Utah (Sen. Fillmore, L.)	\$2,000,000
2M	10	Foreign Language Education Funding Amendments HB0161 (Rep. Pierucci, C.)	\$2,000,000
2U	11	Statewide Online Education Program Amendments S.B.45s01 (Sen. Fillmore, L.)	\$1,696,000
TOTAL			\$254,881,400

**Includes a companion motion using \$19,101,000 in FY 2024 enrollment growth savings as a contingency for FY 2024 Kindergarten enrollment.*

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- [1st Sub HB 16](#) Block Grant Funding for Prevention Programs in Public Education, Rep. Pulsipher
- [HB 394](#) Grant Funding for Supplemental Educational Opportunities, Rep. Peterson

- [HB 308](#) School Grading Modifications, Rep. Welton
- [SB 55](#) Public School Instructional Material Requirements, Sen. Fillmore

Action on Legislation/Budget

Board Positions on Legislation

The Board discussed its support of legislation and recommendations to bill sponsors for amendments.

MOTION was made by Member Earl and seconded by Member Hart that the Board supports [HB 308](#) School Grading Modifications, Rep. Welton.

The motion carried with Members Boothe, Davis, Green, Earl, Hart, Hymas, Lear, Norton, Strate, Wood, and Moss in favor and Members Kerry, Boggess, and Kerry opposed.

Member Cline abstained.

MOTION was made by Member Lear and seconded by Member Reale that the Board opposes [SB 166](#) Education Entity Amendments, Sen. Fillmore.

The motion carried with Members Davis, Wood, Strate, Reale, Norton, Lear, Hart, Cline, and Boothe in favor and Members Kerry, Hymas, Green, Earl, and Moss opposed.

Member Boggess abstained.

CALL THE QUESTION was made by Member Strate.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO ADJOURN made by Member Cline.

The motion failed with Members Boggess, Cline, and Green in favor and Boothe, Davis, Earl, Hymas, Hart, Lear, Norton, Reale Strate, Wood, Kerry, and Moss opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.