

AGENDA

EDUCATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

UTAH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, May 16, 2012 • 2:00 p.m. • Room 30 House Building

1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of minutes of the November 16, 2011 meeting
- Interim committee schedule - No meeting in July
- Open and Public Meetings Act - Information in mailing packet
- Master Study Resolution studies, statutorily required studies, and reports

2. Acquisition of New Products and Services Funded in the 2012 General Session

Representatives of the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) and the Board of Business and Economic Development will provide timelines to acquire new products and services funded in the 2012 General Session and provide those products and services to school districts and schools.

- Larry Shumway, State Superintendent
- Spencer Eccles, Executive Director, Governor's Office of Economic Development

3. School Finance Data and Calculations

The Utah State Office of Education erred in calculating the number of weighted pupil units (WPUs) estimated for the 2012-13 school year, resulting in an underfunding of the Minimum School Program by approximately \$25 million. Representatives of the USBE and the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst will discuss how the error occurred, options to address the underfunding, and procedures to be taken to prevent similar errors in the future.

- Larry Shumway, State Superintendent
- Jonathan Ball, Director, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst
- Committee discussion

4. Utah Core Standards

Committee staff will provide information on the development and adoption of Utah core standards in English language arts and mathematics. Staff will also review agreements entered into by the state to participate in the development and assessments of common core standards. USBE representatives will report on public hearings on Utah core standards and address committee members' questions. Utah core standards may be accessed at www.schools.utah.gov/core.

- Allison M. Nicholson, Policy Analyst
- Angela Oakes Stallings, Associate General Counsel
- USBE representatives
- Committee discussion

5. College and Career Readiness Assessments

In 2011, the Education Interim Committee approved as a committee bill S.B. 10, "College and Career Readiness Assessments," which: 1) terminates the administration of a basic skills competency test to tenth grade students; and 2) requires school districts and charter schools to administer college and career readiness assessments adopted by the USBE. S.B. 10 did not pass in the 2012 General Session, which raises the issue about what basic skills competency test should be administered to tenth grade students beginning in the 2012-13 school year.

- Larry Shumway, State Superintendent
- Committee discussion

6. Other Items/Adjourn