

**MINUTES OF THE  
APPLIED TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION TASK FORCE**  
Monday, June 12, 2000 - 1:00 p.m. - Room 303 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. Lane Beattie, Chair  
Rep. Martin R. Stephens, Chair  
Sen. Leonard M. Blackham  
Sen. Ron Allen  
Rep. Ron Bigelow  
Rep. Judy Ann Buffmire  
Rep. Craig W. Buttars  
Rep. James R. Gowans  
Rep. Bill Wright

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Susan J. Koehn

**Staff Present:**

Mr. John Q. Cannon, Research Analyst  
Ms. Alicia Gambles, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present and a copy of materials distributed in the meeting are on file in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

- 1. Call to order** - Sen. Lane Beattie called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Gowans moved to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2000 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Funding of Applied Technology Education in Utah** - Ms. Debbie Headden, Office of Legislative Fiscal Analyst, discussed how applied technology education (ATE) is funded through the Utah System of Higher Education. She explained funding for ATE through credit and non-credit programs. Ms. Headden said that ATE for credit is requested by certain institutions within the Utah System of Higher Education, and funded based upon institutional enrollment growth. She also discussed funding of non-credit ATE through a variety of programs. Task Force discussion followed.

Mr. Gary Ricks, Office of Legislative Fiscal Analyst, discussed funding of ATE through public education. He noted funding is based on funds availability as determined by the legislature and program justification. He also addressed the issue of double funding for secondary students. He explained that state law permits the double funding of a secondary student. He explained that the school districts retain the WPU for secondary students attending Applied Technology Centers (ATC). He noted that the system is structured so that school districts with ATCs nearby have a financial incentive to send their students to the ATC. Task Force discussion followed.

- 3. Public Education Presentation on Applied Technology Education** - Mr. Robert Brems, Associate Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education, presented information on ATE programs offered under the governance of the Utah State Board for Applied Technology Education. He stated that the State Board of Education is charged with the general control and supervision of the public education system. Mr. Brems also indicated that the State Board for

Applied Technology Education is charged under statute with the following responsibilities: establishing minimum standards for ATE programs; applying for, receiving, administering, and distributing funds through federal and state governments for ATE; and cooperating with federal and state governments to administer programs which promote and maintain ATE.

Mr. Brems discussed the funding of ATE in Utah through various programs with both federal and state monies. He also outlined programmatic delivery of ATE including Core Career Connections; Technology, Life, and Careers; Work-Based Learning; Comprehensive Guidance; High School ATE Programs; Applied Technology Centers; Applied Technology Center Service Regions; and Custom Fit Training. Task Force discussion followed.

4. **Higher Education Presentation on Applied Technology Education** - This issue was not discussed at this meeting.
5. **Governance Models of Applied Technology Education** - This issue was not discussed at this meeting.
6. **Adjourn** -

**MOTION:** Rep. Buffmire moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.