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NOTICE OF MEETING

ENHANCEMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION TASK FORCE

The committee chairs have scheduled the following meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, August 27, 2002
TIME: 1:00 p.m.
PLACE: Room 129 State Capitol

An agenda follows this notice. If committee members would like to be excused from the meeting, they may call Constance Steffen or Wendy Bangerter at 538-1032.

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AGENDA

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UTAH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, August 27, 2002 • 1:00 p.m. • Room 129 State Capitol

1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the July 16, 2002 meeting

2. On-line Administration of U-PASS Tests

School districts that piloted on-line administration of U-PASS tests will report on their experiences with on-line assessment.

- School district representatives

3. School Trust Lands Monies

The Administrative Rules Committee has asked the task force to consider whether rules and statutes on the use of school trust lands monies by schools create more procedural requirements than are necessary to ensure that schools use the monies effectively. The task force has also received comments from educators, particularly principals, that the planning and reporting procedures for school trust monies are burdensome.

- Committee Staff
- USOE representatives

4. Scheduling of Criterion-referenced Tests under U-PASS

Under U-PASS (Utah Performance Assessment System for Students), criterion-referenced tests are administered in all grade levels in all basic skills areas of the core curriculum. Utah law requires the test scores and test score averages at the classroom level to be available to parents no later than the end of the school year. The USOE (Utah State Office of Education) scores the tests and compiles the official test results. To meet the end-of-year reporting deadline, the tests are scheduled several weeks or longer before the end of the school year. Some teachers would like to be able to administer criterion-referenced tests closer to the end of the school year.

- Ms. Maggie Cummings, Teacher, Jordan School District
- Supt. Barry Newbold, Jordan School District

5. Other Items / Adjourn