



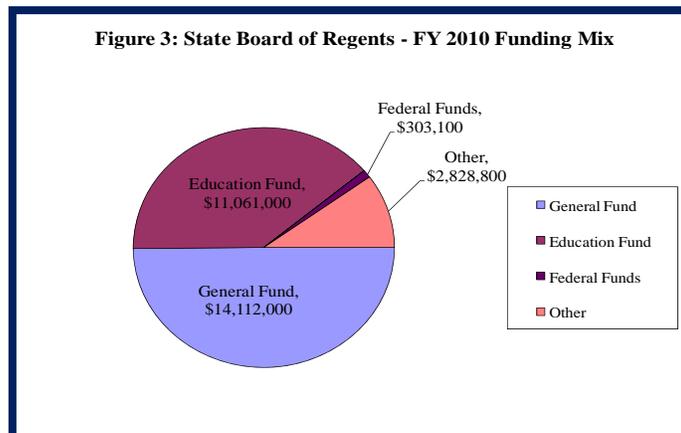
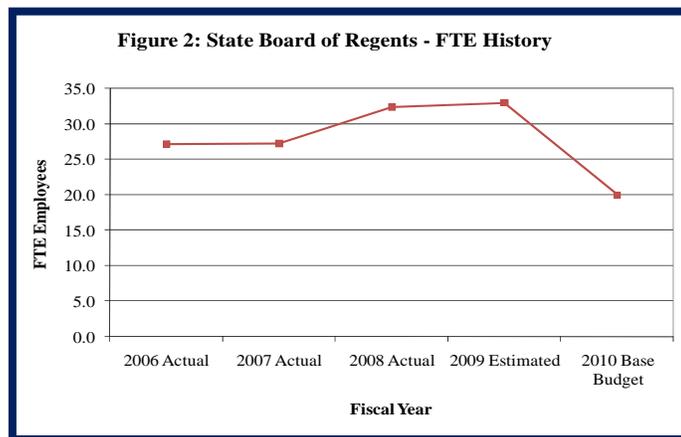
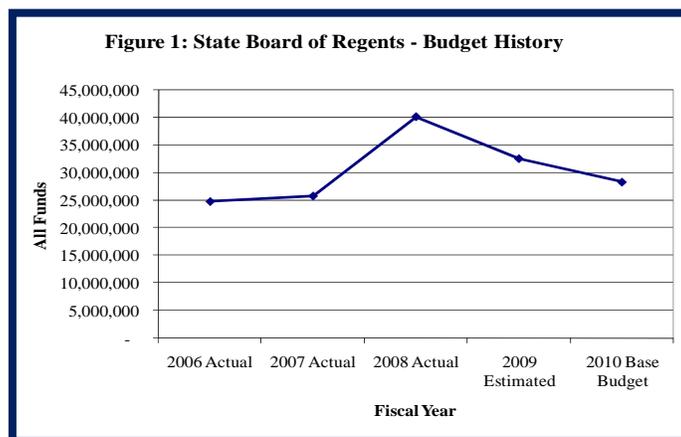
Budget Brief: State Board of Regents

SUMMARY

The Utah State Board of Regents (SBR) was formed in 1969 as the governing body for the Utah System of Higher Education (USHE). The Board consists of 18 members – 16 of whom are appointed by the Governor, including one student regent, and two members of the State Board of Education, appointed by the chair of that board, who serve as nonvoting members. The Board oversees the establishment of policies and procedures, executive appointments, and master planning. In addition, the board approves financial and budgetary procedures, proposals for legislation, and develops governmental relationships.

ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

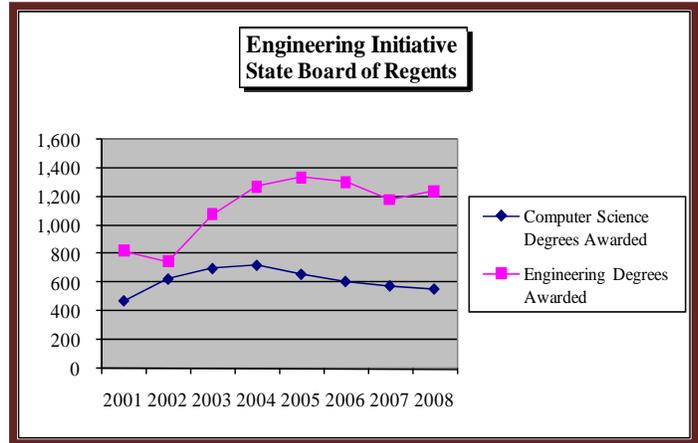
Base Budget: The total FY 2009 appropriated budget (including the September 2008 Special Session) for The State Board of Regents was \$31,780,800, with \$15,715,700 from the General Fund (offset by a one-time reduction of \$574,800) and \$14,380,000 from the Education Fund (including a one-time appropriation of \$2,708,600). Additional FY 2009 reductions expected to be made during the 2009 General Session further cut the ongoing General Fund by \$1,603,700 and the Education Fund by \$610,400, with additional one-time offsets of \$1,494,900 from the General Fund and \$610,400 from the Education Fund. Using the FY 2009 ongoing appropriation as the beginning point for the FY 2010 base budget, with changes in the level of dedicated credits in the amount of (\$375,600), and nonlapsing balances in the amount of \$1,247,600, the adjusted amount base becomes \$28,304,900.



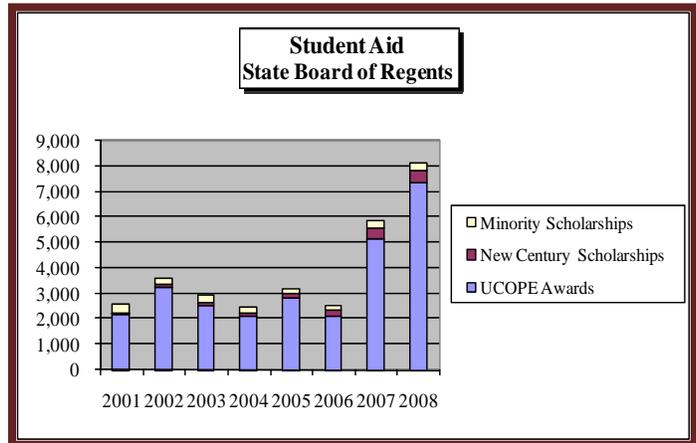
ACCOUNTABILITY DETAIL

The State Board of Regents' performance indicators include the results of the Engineering Initiative and the number of scholarships and financial awards granted to help students finance their education.

The Legislature began an effort in 2001 to double the number of graduates in engineering, computer science, and related technologies by 2006 and then to triple the number by 2009. In 2006 and 2007, the number of engineering graduates dipped, but increased again in 2008. Since 2001, the number of engineering graduates has increased by 50 percent. The number of computer science graduates increased through 2004, but has decreased slightly each year since. The number of graduates in 2008 represents an increase of 17.5 percent over the number in 2001.



As the cost of a post-secondary education has increased, the Legislature has made efforts to provide additional financial opportunities. The figure shows the growth in the number of scholarships and awards over the past five years. The significant increase in 2007 reflects the larger number of award given due to the increase in both ongoing and one-time funding for student aid.



BUDGET DETAIL

Base Budget: The Legislative Fiscal Analyst recommends approval of the State Board of Regents' FY 2010 adjusted base budget in the amount of \$28,304,900, with \$14,112,000 from the General Fund, \$11,061,000 from the Education Fund, \$303,100 from Federal Funds, \$1,000,000 from the restricted Prison Telephone Surcharge Account, \$750,000 from Beginning Nonlapsing balances, and \$1,078,800 from Closing Nonlapsing balances.

Intent Language: In the past, there have been several items of legislative intent language included in the various appropriations acts regarding higher education issues. During the 2005 General Session, there was an effort to reduce the amount of intent language, especially those items that were repeated year after year. As a result, there was only one piece of intent language that affected the State Board of Regents in the appropriations acts for FY 2009 (H.B. 3, Item 116)

The Legislature intends that the task force on higher education governance and the State Board of Regents study ways for greater collaboration and cooperation between the College of Eastern Utah and Utah State University, including consideration of partnerships, alliances, or a merger, in order to increase educational opportunities for the citizens in eastern Utah and maximize state resources. The study shall include ways of protecting the traditional community college role including access to career and technical education currently provided by CUE. The task force and the Board of Regents shall provide their recommendations to the Executive Appropriations Committee for any changes that require legislative action of funding.

The Board of Regents engaged a trio of consultants, to perform a facilitated study which would work with individuals at both institutions, develop a list of important issues, and develop a possible model for merging the two institutions. However, following the first set of meetings, the consultants determined that unbiased, objective responses were not coming forth and decided to conclude the study. This was reported to the Executive Appropriations Committee on November 18, 2008.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Analyst recommends that the Subcommittee adopt a base budget for the State Board of Regents in the amount of \$28,304,900. The allocation approved by the Executive Appropriations Committee is \$14,112,000 (General Fund) and \$11,061,000 (Education Fund).

The Analyst recommends that the Subcommittee develop a prioritization list of items for additional funding for FY 2010 and FY 2009 (Supplemental).

BUDGET DETAIL TABLE

State Board of Regents						
Sources of Finance	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Appropriated	Changes	FY 2009 Revised	Changes	FY 2010* Base Budget
General Fund	16,480,900	15,715,700	(1,603,700)	14,112,000	0	14,112,000
General Fund, One-time	0	(574,800)	1,494,900	920,100	(920,100)	0
Education Fund	12,602,700	11,671,400	(610,400)	11,061,000	0	11,061,000
Education Fund, One-time	8,409,700	2,708,600	610,400	3,319,000	(3,319,000)	0
Federal Funds	1,321,500	303,100	0	303,100	0	303,100
Dedicated Credits Revenue	374,600	375,600	(375,600)	0	0	0
GFR - Prison Telephone Surcharge Account	886,600	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	1,000,000
Beginning Nonlapsing	1,008,300	581,200	168,800	750,000	0	750,000
Closing Nonlapsing	(965,700)	0	1,078,800	1,078,800	0	1,078,800
Total	\$40,118,600	\$31,780,800	\$763,200	\$32,544,000	(\$4,239,100)	\$28,304,900
Line Items						
Administration	6,338,300	5,547,600	1,137,800	6,685,400	(648,800)	6,036,600
Campus Compact	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	(50,000)	50,000
Federal Programs	1,321,500	303,100	0	303,100	0	303,100
Engineering Initiative	5,000,000	250,000	0	250,000	(250,000)	0
Student Aid	11,636,500	11,195,800	0	11,195,800	(1,072,100)	10,123,700
Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education	967,200	1,021,900	0	1,021,900	(50,000)	971,900
T.H. Bell Scholarship Program	1,915,800	1,999,100	(175,800)	1,823,300	(250,000)	1,573,300
Jobs Now Initiative	1,023,100	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	(150,000)	850,000
Higher Education Technology Initiative	7,709,700	6,424,700	0	6,424,700	(1,315,000)	5,109,700
Electronic College	923,000	755,100	(198,800)	556,300	(278,200)	278,100
Utah Academic Library Consortium	3,183,500	3,183,500	0	3,183,500	(175,000)	3,008,500
Total	\$40,118,600	\$31,780,800	\$763,200	\$32,544,000	(\$4,239,100)	\$28,304,900
Categories of Expenditure						
Personal Services	3,112,100	2,287,300	828,400	3,115,700	313,000	3,428,700
In-State Travel	82,700	85,000	(8,100)	76,900	0	76,900
Current Expense	2,490,500	1,184,700	723,700	1,908,400	(215,000)	1,693,400
Capital Outlay	49,400	55,000	(55,000)	0	0	0
Other Charges/Pass Thru	34,383,900	28,168,800	(725,800)	27,443,000	(4,337,100)	23,105,900
Total	\$40,118,600	\$31,780,800	\$763,200	\$32,544,000	(\$4,239,100)	\$28,304,900
Other Data						
Budgeted FTE	32.4	26.3	6.6	33.0	(13.0)	20.0

*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.