

**MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE**

Tuesday, January 24, 2017 • 8:00 am • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard, Senate Chair
Rep. Daniel McCay, House Chair
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove, House V-Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Ann Millner
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe

Rep. LaVar Christensen
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Justin L. Fawson
Rep. Francis D. Gibson
Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Susan Pulsipher
Rep. Norman K. Thurston

Staff Present:

Ms. Jill L. Curry, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Ben Leishman, Fiscal Analyst
Ms. Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

Chair Hillyard called the meeting to order.

1. Session Introductions

Each Senator and Representative present introduced themselves. Mr. Ben Leishman, Fiscal Analyst, informed the subcommittee of a meeting schedule and a relevant acronyms document link.

1a-Meeting Schedule

1b-Education Acronyms

2. Education Perspectives: No Time to Lose - National Conference of State Legislatures Report, Senator Howard Stephenson

Sen. Stephenson explained a report and PowerPoint presentation called "No Time to Lose."

2-NCSL No Time to Lose

Rep. Gibson, Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Arent, and Rep. Christensen asked questions concerning the presentation.

Chair Hillyard commented that if there are additional questions from the committee or public to please email the committee.

3. Education Perspectives: Education Elevated, Utah State Board of Education, Dr. Sydnee Dickson, Superintendent of Public Instruction

Dr. Sydnee Dickson, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Utah State Board of Education, discussed a power point presentation on Education Elevated. Dr. Dickson is very excited that the Legislature is discussing "how" to increase funding for education and not "if."

3a-USBE Education Elevated

3b-USBE Excellence Each Student

3c-USBE Education Elevated Handout

Ms. Brittney Cummins, Vice Chair, State Board of Education, assisted with the presentation.

Dr. Dickson discussed the report further.

Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Christensen, and Sen. Stephenson asked questions and made comments on the report.

4. Education Perspectives: Education Excellence, Tami Pyfer, Education Advisor to the Governor

Ms. Tami Pyfer, Education Advisor to the Governor, gave a presentation on a 10 year strategic plan for Education.

4-10 Year Education Plan - Governor

Sen. Hillyard commented that parents need to weigh in, and local boards and state board need to step forward with funding and objective measurements.

Ms. Pyfer commented that teaching needs to be a job that people want to have.

There was a 5 minute break.

Chair Hillyard called the meeting back to order.

5. Public Education Budget Overview

Chair Hillyard commented that discussing the base budget will be done at the next meeting. Rep. McCay said there will be no changes in the base budget and to take a look at SB 1 for changes in future meetings. Rep. Briscoe asked for clarification on changes in the base budget. Sen. Stephenson asked for the Chairs to explain why the base budget is a fall back and that it doesn't mean that there can't be changes.

Mr. Leishman spoke to the budget with an overview and then discussed several documents.

5a-PED Budget Overview - 2017 GS

5b-PED Budgetflow - 2018 GS

5c-Budget Diagram - 2018 GS

Questions and comments were made by Rep Briscoe, Rep. Christensen, Chair Hillyard, Sen. Stephenson

Chair Hillyard discussed the Weighted Pupil Unit (WPU) and a little of its history. Rep. Eliason asked Mr. Leishman for insight on estimating the new growth count for the coming year. Mr. Leishman explained budgeting for growth briefly and said that it will be discussed further at the next meeting.

6. Senate Bill 1, Public Education Base Budget

Mr. Leishman gave a presentation on the Base Budget and the links to the charts he has prepared.

6-Linked PED Base Budget Bill (SB0001)

7. Budget Items Funded One-Time in FY 2017

Mr. Leishman explained briefly the one-time funding.

7-Budget Items Funded One-time in FY 2017

8. Statutory Reports

Mr. Leishman referred to several statutory reports, but didn't discuss them at this time. Following are the links to those reports.

8a-K-3 Reading Program

8b-Professional Practices Restricted Subfund

8c-Title I Schools in Improvement Paraeducators

8d-15-16 EARS Legislative Report - Final

8e-Class Size Reduction Legislative Report - Final

8f-Concurrent Enrollment

8g-Enhancement for Accelerated Students

9. Budget Review Objectives, Format, & Tools

Mr. Leishman reported on an overview of what will be discussed in future meetings.

9-Budget Review - Objectives, Format, and Tools - 2017 GS

Rep McCay commented that he is interested in how to make things better, otherwise we are failing the children in the classrooms. Chair Hillyard said that our children need to be trained for the innovation and change of this day, and that parents and community need to be actively involved.

Rep. Christensen, Rep. Briscoe, Sen. Stephenson and Chair Hillyard made comments concerning the Base Budget.

10. Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 14-0-7 at 11:44 a.m.

Voting in the affirmative were:

Hillyard L, McCay D, Spendlove R, Fillmore L, Iwamoto J, Stephenson H,
Thatcher D, Arent P, Briscoe J, Christensen L, Eliason S, Lisonbee K, Moss J,
Pulsipher S

Absent or not voting were:

Adams J S, Millner A, Stevenson J, Fawson J, Gibson F, Last B, Thurston N

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Chair Hillyard adjourned the meeting.

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard, Co-Chair

Rep. Daniel McCay, Co-Chair