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**MINUTES OF THE  
RETIREMENT AND INDEPENDENT ENTITIES APPROPRIATIONS SUB  
COMMITTEE**

Friday, January 27, 2017 • 12:15 p.m. • 20 House Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Daniel Hemmert, Senate Chair  
Rep. LaVar Christensen, House Chair  
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes, House Vice Chair  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore  
Sen. Wayne A. Harper  
Rep. Susan Duckworth  
Rep. Steve Eliason  
Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway  
Rep. Jefferson Moss  
Rep. Lee B. Perry

Rep. Marie H. Poulson

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Karen Mayne  
Sen. Todd Weiler  
Rep. Daniel McCay

**Staff Present:**

Dr. Thomas E. Young, Senior  
Economist/Forecaster  
Mr. Brian D. Fay, Fiscal Analyst  
Ms. Debbie Benson, Administrative Assistant

**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](http://le.utah.gov).

Senate Chair Daniel Hemmert called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.

Introduction of committee members and staff.

Representative Chair LaVar Christensen reviewed issues concerning the committee.

**1. Utah Education and Telehealth Network Base Budget**

[UETN Overview](#)

[UETN 2012 Network Map](#)

[H.B. 5 - Retirement and Independent Entities Base Budget Bill](#)

[UETN Video](#)

Dr. Thomas Young, LFA, reviewed the Utah Education and Telehealth Network (UETN) Base Budget.

Rep. Christensen asked committee members to consider education funding and how funding for UETN fits in the overall education funding package.

Dr. Ray Timothy, CEO, UETN, and Ms. Lisa Kuhn, CFO, explained the agency's operations,

provided an overview of the base budget, and responded to committee questions.

**MOTION:** Representative Susan Duckworth made a motion to approve the minutes from February 9, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.

The motion passed with a vote of 15-0-0.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Sen. G. Davis  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. W. Harper  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. L. Hemingway  
Sen. D. Hemmert  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Sen. T. Weiler

Rep. Christensen asked background questions about UETN.

Sen. Hemmert provided additional instructions for the subcommittee.

Senator Gene Davis asked a question about telehealth issues. Dr. Timothy responded.

**MOTION:** Representative Lee Perry moved to adjourn at 1:20 p.m.  
The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-5.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Sen. W. Harper  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. L. Hemingway  
Sen. D. Hemmert  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. D. McCay  
Sen. T. Weiler