Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee
2012 General Session – Budget Motions

February 15, 2012

1. **Fees**

   **Motion:** I move to approve the Educator Licensing and Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind fee schedules and estimated revenues as outlined in the *Educator Licensing Budget Brief* and the *Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind Budget Brief*.

2. **Indirect Cost Pool**

   **Motion:** I move to adopt the following rate structure for the *Utah State Office of Education – Indirect Cost Pool*:
   
   - 10 percent of personal service costs supported by restricted funds
   - 14.8 percent of personal service costs supported by unrestricted funds

   **Motion:** I move to transfer $1,539,300 in nonlapsing balances from the Utah State Office of Education line item (fund 2480) in FY 2012 to the Uniform School Fund Special Revenue Fund (fund 2410) to eliminate the negative retained earnings in the Indirect Cost Pool.

3. **Federal Funds**

   **Motion:** I move to approve the estimated federal receipts contained in the *Federal Funds: Public Education Issue Brief* and the supplemental authorization for the federal Education Jobs Fund of $21,371,000 as outlined in the *Minimum School Program – Related to Basic School Program Budget Brief*.

4. **Basic Levy**

   **Motion:** I move to approve the estimated Basic Rate of 0.001665 for FY 2013 to generate an estimated $289,021,900 in local property tax revenue to support the Basic School Program in the Minimum School Program as outlined in the *Minimum School Program – Basic School Program Adjustment Variables Issue Brief*.
5. **Budget Adjustments**

**Motion:** I move to approve the recommended budget amounts for each program and line-item as detailed in the Budget Detail Tables included in the following briefs:

- Public Education General Budget Overview – Pg. 4
- Minimum School Program & School Building Program Base Budgets
  - Minimum School Program – Basic School Program – Pg. 4
  - Minimum School Program – Related to Basic School Program – Pg. 4
  - Minimum School Program – Voted & Board Leeway Programs – Pg. 3
  - School Building Program – Pg. 3
  - (All Tables Summed in the Minimum School Program & School Building Program Base Budget Detail Table)
- Utah State Office of Education – Pg. 5
- USOE Initiative Programs – Pg. 3
- Educator Licensing – Pg. 3
- Utah State Office of Education – Indirect Cost Pool – Pg. 2
  - (With the changes highlighted in Motion #2)
- Child Nutrition – Pg. 2
- Education Contracts – Pg. 2
- State Charter School Board – Pg. 4
- Science Education Outreach – Pg. 2
- Fine Arts Outreach – Pg. 3
- Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind – Pg. 4

6. **Utah State Office of Education – Detailed Appropriations Structure**

I move to approve the appropriation structure changes for the Utah State Office of Education line item as shown in the *Utah State Office of Education Budget Brief* under tab 6 in the green binders.

7. **Intent Language**

**Motion:** I move that the following intent language be included in Senate Bill 2, “Public Education Budget Amendments:”

**Minimum School Program Performance Measurement**

The Legislature intends that the State Board of Education develop a comprehensive performance measurement plan for the Minimum School Program that identifies specific program-level outcome and evaluation metrics. This plan shall include program-level performance detail on all restricted and semi-restricted program as outlined in the 2011 In-Depth Budget Review. The State Board of Education shall report the details of this plan to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee during the 2013 General Session.
**Statewide Financial Management System**
The Legislature intends that the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee, in conjunction with the State Board of Education, develop a recommendation during the 2012 Interim to develop a statewide financial management system for school districts and charter schools to report detailed budget data, manage local budgets, have the capability to report budget data at the school site level and by appropriated program, and include support and review procedures by the State Office of Education. The recommendation shall include a cost estimate to fund the financial management system.

**Review of Minimum School Program Formulas & Allocations**
The Legislature intends that the State Auditor reinstate a more comprehensive annual review of the application of statutory formulas for the Minimum School Program by the Utah State Office of Education and the allocation of funding to school districts and charter schools.

**USOE Cost-Benefit/ROI Analysis**
The Legislature intends that the State Office of Education work with the Analyst in performing cost-benefit/ROI analysis on the activities of the programs within the USOE – Administration line item and report the results to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee before November 2012.

**USOE Performance Measures**
The Legislature intends that the State Office of Education work with the Analyst in developing job specific outcome based performance measures and report these measures to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee by December 2012.

**State Board of Education Early Retirement and Other Post Employment Benefits**
The Legislature intends that the State Board of Education address the costs and benefits of its Early Retirement Incentive Pay Plan and its open Other Post Employment Benefits plan that allows individuals to accumulate health insurance benefits at retirement. The State Board should report its findings to the Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee by November 2012.

8. **Electronic High School**

**Motion:** I move to eliminate the $1,956,800 appropriation to the Utah Electronic High School pursuant to governing statutes for the Statewide Online Education Program.
9. **Subcommittee Priorities**

**Motion:** I move to forward to the Executive Appropriations Committee for further consideration the Subcommittee’s budget priorities for ongoing and one-time funding adjustments as outlined on the sheet titled “Public Education Appropriations Subcommittee: 2012 General Session Funding Priorities” and dated February 15, 2012.

10. **Prepare Budget Recommendations**

**Motion:** I move to direct staff in consultation with the co-chairs to prepare a report to the Executive Appropriations Committee reflecting the final actions of this subcommittee and prepare any statutory changes or intent language required to implement these recommendations for inclusion in the next public education appropriations bill.