



Utah Connections Academy (UCA)
BOARD MEETING

Date and Time:
Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. MT

Held at the Following Location:
Via Teleconference due to State Precautions regarding Public Health and Safety
During COVID-19 Pandemic

1(800) 747-5150; Code 172-9385

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation by contacting Erin Taylor at (385) 489-0444. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation; no later than twenty four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

BOARD AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – S. Kinney
- II. Roll Call – S. Kinney
- III. Review and Acceptance of Board Member Resignation: Preston Baxter (attached)
- IV. Mission Statement – S. Kinney

Utah Connections Academy is a pioneering virtual public charter school whose mission is to maximize academic achievement for students in grades K-12 throughout the state of Utah who need an alternative to the traditional classroom.

- V. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the school principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, unless the Board grants additional time.

Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the School Principal at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentations shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair.

To view the Board Public Comment Policy, visit the school's "Our School Board" page at www.connectionsacademy.com

- VI. Routine Business
 - a. Approval of Agenda – S. Kinney

- VII. Oral Report
 - a. School Leader's Report (Principal's Report to follow) – E. Taylor
 - i. Student Progress Benchmark Assessments
 - ii. Back to School Activities, Staffing and Training Update
 - iii. Enrollment and Staffing Update / COVID-19 Related Changes
 - iv. New School Facility Update
 - v. Connections Academy Summer Leadership Conference Update
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – T. Gianoni
 - i. Unaudited 2019-2020 Financial Results

- VIII. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the June 17, 2020 Annual Board Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Minutes from the July 31, 2020 Special Board Meeting (attached)
 - c. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - d. Approval of Online & Blended Learning (OBL) Invoice for June (attached)
 - e. Approval of Early Literacy Plan (attached)
 - f. Ratification of Charter Amendment Relating to the New School Facility and All Related Documentation (to follow)

- IX. Action Items
 - a. Ratification of Enrollment Expansion – E. Taylor/ E. Sigmund

- X. Information Items
 - a. Board Member Responsibilities Reminder – S. Kinney
 - b. State Account Relations (STAR) Update – E. Sigmund
 - c. Partner School Leadership Team (PSLT) Update – J. Dukek
 - i. School Operations Metrics (attached)
 - d. Board Relations Update – L. Coleman
 - i. Conflict of Interest Statement Reminder
 - ii. Background Check Reminder
 - iii. Training Reminder
 - e. National Charter School Conference (NCSC) Update – E. Nelson

- XI. Adjournment and Confirmation of the Next Board Meeting - Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. MT