



## URSA Board Meeting

USU Eastern, Board Room, Price, Utah  
Friday, July 12, 2019 - 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### Present:

Sam Ray  
Scott Crane  
Dave Brotherson  
Duke Mossman  
Kodey Hughes  
Joe B Wright  
Scott Jones

Larry Davis  
Shannon Dulaney  
Doug Johnson  
Mike Daniels  
Jason Strate  
Jennie Earl  
Johnna Boyack

**Welcome** from Sam Ray. Carli O'Neil has asked to be excused from today's meeting due to family issues.

**Minutes:** After a brief review of the minutes from April 25, 2018 Dale Lamborn motioned to accept the minutes as written. Kodey Hughes seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**USBE Update:** Scott Jones was available at today's meeting. The service center committee just completed their 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting yesterday. Moving towards some potential code changes and re-designation of the service centers. In regards to the APT program, they are currently changing the syllabi to accommodate changes that may be required starting November 1, 2019. Duke updated the board in regards to the items discussed at the recent service center meeting. They worked on a draft code change that will be written up for distribution to the service center boards for review. Duke is happy with the changes being proposed, converting us to LEA status, working on funding issues and getting some types of increases for service center employees. The directors will be introducing changes to the state board on August 1 and on August 22 they will roll this out to the legislative interim committee.

**UETN Update:** Ray Timothy was unable to attend the meeting, but has offered to have UEN film & create the teacher of the year videos for future conferences, according to Kodey Hughes. Dave Brotherson likes the videos, but thinks we should add a personal touch after the video. UEN Parental releases are needed for any student filmed. Perhaps add a personal touch at the end of each video.

### URSA Business:

- 2016 Conference changes to Bylaws – At the April meeting we discussed how during the 2016 conference the body voted on several bylaw changes including the ability for a governing board vote on any future bylaw changes. These changes were never discussed during an official meeting. Let the record show that bylaw changes were made by vote of the body during the 2016 conference.
- 2019 Bylaw changes – Clarification of general membership, membership dues if needed, appointment of executive officers has been moved, selection of executive members, who fit in to each category, clarification of each position & voting position, board members present are the voting members for

changes to the bylaws. Scott Crane also said that the URSA funds are part of SESC's fund balance. URSA funds will be separate and restricted from the SESC fund balance. Jason Strate motioned to accept the bylaw changes presented. Duke Mossman seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Johnna Boyack will send the new bylaws to the board and have them posted to the URSA website. The board president will inform any proxies to the meeting that they can vote on any business discussed.

#### **2019 Rural Schools Conference Discussion:**

- Rural Schools Status Update – Discussion will be held regarding the contract fees for this year's keynote speaker, John Hattie, due to his cancellation. John Hattie has offered his services at a future conference. Tom Schimmer has been contracted for the 2020 Conference. Jason Strate will negotiate a price for Cathy Lassiter's keynote. He will come to the next meeting with the information that has been discussed. A letter will then be sent to USBE.
- Future Keynotes – Joe B Wright suggested *Joe Sanfelippo* as a day 1 or 3 keynote. Scott Crane recommended *Flip Flippen* as a possible keynote. Jason Strate has suggested *Peter Dewitt* or *George Couros*. Shannon Dulaney suggested *Kyle Schwartz*. Jason Strate will check on Kyle for Friday in Richfield, 2020. Sam Ray would like to add an 'Education is a Great Career' message to next year's conference. Jason would like to open the conference with Angie Hall, this year's CUES Teacher of the Year.

#### **Board Dialogue:**

- SEDC URSA Vice President Elect – SEDC would like to submit Tracy Davis to fill the Vice President Elect position.
- Regional Legislative Awards – SEDC recommends Lowry Snow for this award. Scott would like to move this discussion to the September meeting. Any 2019 awards can be given within the service center regions.

**Passing of the Gavel** – President Sam Ray has handed over the reins to President Elect Dave Brotherson.

Future meeting dates:

- Tuesday, September 10, 2019 @ Sevier DO, Richfield
- Tuesday, January 21, 2020 @ Juab DO, Nephi
- Friday, February 13, 2020 @ Utah State Capitol, SLC
- Thursday, April 23, 2020 @ Juab DO, Nephi
- July TBD, 2020 @ URSA Conference Richfield

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. Kodey Hughes motioned to adjourn the meeting. Joe B Wright seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

NEXT MEETING will be held September 10, 2019 at the **Sevier School District Office in Richfield** @ 10:00 a.m.