

Board of Trustees Meeting Summary
August 21, 2025

1. Chair Luke Rasmussen welcomed everyone and introduced seven new members to the Board of Trustees: Michelle Barber, Davis SD, 5A School Board; Mitchell Glazier, Kane SD, 2A School Board; Gina Butters, Weber SD, 5A/6A Superintendent; Jason Young, Duchesne SD, 1A/2A Superintendent; Josh LeRoy, Cyprus HS, 5A/6A Principal; Steve Gordon, Emery HS, 3A/4A Principal; and Nate Marshall, Providence Hall, Private Schools Representative.
2. There are 160 total UHSAA member schools.
3. Ms. Carol Lear provided a USBE report to the Board.
4. UHSAA Staff provided an orientation of UHSAA procedures and materials.
5. Mr. Brenan Jackson and Mr. Jeff Cluff shared ideas for the promotion of high school sports and activities to our communities.
6. Mr. Rob Cuff, Executive Director, explained that catastrophic insurance will continue for the 2025-26 school year as per Board of Trustees decision in May. The Board of Trustees voted to reimburse catastrophic insurance premiums at 100% this school year. Reimbursements for catastrophic insurance premiums will be reviewed annually in May. The UHSAA and its Foundation have returned nearly two million dollars to UHSAA member schools over the past 15 years.
7. Mr. Jeff Cluff discussed the calendar and overviewed the new and improved UHSAA website (www.uhsaa.org) and provided training for the information found there. He also discussed the Aktivite program for athletes and coaches.
8. Mr. Cuff discussed Board of Trustees elections and terms of office. Elections for those board members whose term expires in 2026 will be held in January at the annual school boards' conference.
9. Mr. Chris Shipman discussed the Academic All-State award and provided the dates as to when nominations may be submitted during the school year.
10. Ms. Jan Whittaker reviewed the statewide sportsmanship program. The UHSAA Sportsmanship Handbook is posted on the UHSAA Website. Details regarding the sportsmanship program can also be found on the UHSAA website, including the criteria for earning the 2026 star. This is the 16th year for the sportsmanship program, which has provided the opportunity for schools to earn yearly stars. All member schools are invited to TEAM-up to Raise the Bar, Earn Your Star because Sportsmanship Matters!

11. The 2025 UHSAA/UIAAA Student Leadership Conferences will take place this fall in Regions.
12. Ms. Missy Mackay-Whiteurs provided an update on the service initiative Show Up For Sports.
13. Ms. Whittaker provided an update for Esports, which has been added this school year as a UHSAA sanctioned activity, and discussed the Emerging Sports Survey that will be sent to member schools this fall.
14. Mr. Jackson emphasized the importance and responsibility of districts and/or schools to certify coaches. He discussed the criteria for coaching certification and importance of having certified coaches working with student athletes. Coaching credentials will be provided to certified coaches.
15. The dates for the UHSAA Summer Moratorium were approved for June 29-July 5, 2026, with the exception for schools to participate in a one-day community celebration during this week.
16. A discussion regarding UHSAA Moratoriums and practice time per week took place during the meeting. A survey will be sent through the superintendents association requesting feedback from schools, parents and students. More discussion will take place in the November meeting.
17. The Board of Trustees voted to approve a new ejection procedure.
18. A timeline was presented to the Board of Trustees for the 2027-2029 realignment of member schools.
19. Haynie & Company, Auditors, reviewed the audit for the 2024-2025 school year. The Board of Trustees approved the audit through a motion.
20. Following a Public Hearing on the proposed UHSAA budget, Mr. Cuff reviewed the 2025-2026 UHSAA proposed budget and answered any questions. The Board of Trustees approved the proposed budget through a motion.
21. Mr. Cuff provided compliance training to the Board of Trustees.
22. Mr. Burke Staheli was elected by the Board of Trustees as Vice-Chair.