Executive Committee Meeting Summary July 31, 2025

- 1. Chairman Craig Hammer welcomed everyone to the first meeting and introduced eight new members of the Executive Committee: Mike Martini, West Field HS, Region 5; Matt Christensen, Spanish Fork HS, Region 7; Caleb Fine, Park City HS, Region 10; Jim Crosbie, Green Canyon HS, Region 11; Nate Blackner, Richfield HS, Region 14; Bryan Durst, APA, Region 16; Lora Nichols, ALA, Region 17; and KC Olson, Monticello HS, Region 19.
- 2. There are 160 total UHSAA member schools.
- 3. Ms. Teri Davis provided a USBE Report to the Committee.
- 4. Chairman Hammer and UHSAA Staff provided an orientation of UHSAA procedures and materials and Executive Committee roles and responsibilities.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Mr. Jeff Cluff overviewed the new and improved UHSAA website (www.uhsaa.org) and provided training for the information found there. He also discussed the Aktivate program for athletes and coaches.
- 7. Mr. Brenan Jackson shared ideas for the promotion of high school sports and activities to our communities.
- 8. Region rules and etiquette clinics for golf were discussed. The deadline for 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A boys golf is September 15. The deadline for 1A boys golf and all girls' golf is April 15.
- 9. 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 implemented this school year in all UHSAA sanctioned sports.
- 10. Mr. Chris Shipman discussed the Academic All-State award and provided the dates as to when nominations may be submitted during the school year.

- 11. Ms. Missy Mackay-Whiteurs provided an update on the service initiative Show Up For Sports.
- 12. Ms. Jan Whittaker reviewed the statewide sportsmanship program. The UHSAA Sportsmanship Handbook is posted on the UHSAA website. 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!
- 13. Ms. Whittaker provided an update for Esports, which has been added this school year as a UHSAA sanctioned activity.
- 14. The 2025 UHSAA/UIAAA Student Leadership Conference, Dare to Lead, will take place this fall in regions or classifications. The UHSAA will provide opportunities for training and curriculum discussion at the end of the month.
- 15. The Executive Committee voted to approve a new ejection procedure.
- 16. The 3A classification approved through a motion to pilot a new scoring program for tennis.
- 17. 2A, 4A and 5A classifications will use a 24 team bracket for state tournaments
- 18. A timeline was presented to the Committee for the 2027-2029 realignment of member schools.
- 19. Surveys will be sent to member schools for emerging sports, moratorium discussion and cheer and drill team items.
- 20. Mr. Cuff provided compliance training to the Committee.