

Executive Committee Meeting Summary
November 12, 2025

1. Chairman Craig Hammer called the meeting to order and reviewed important dates found in the UHSAA Ready Reference Calendars (see www.uhsaa.org).
2. The UHSAA staff reviewed fall activities, which included football, 1A baseball, boys' golf, girls' volleyball, girls' tennis, girls' soccer and cross country.
3. Mr. Everett Kelepolo, UIAAA, discussed the NIAAA conference in December, which will be in Tampa, Florida. The UIAAA conference will be held April 15-18 in St. George.
4. A reminder that the nominations for the UHSAA Spirit of Sport and Heart of the Arts Awards will be due to the UHSAA by January 15, 2025.
5. Ms. Jan Whittaker discussed sportsmanship items, including the school video competition and the Gold Star Coach Award.
6. Mr. Steve Marsing discussed swimming items.
7. Ms. Whittaker provided an update on Esports, which will begin its first season this school year.
8. Mr. Chris Shipman provided information for wrestling items and sanctioning was approved for speech and debate.
9. Mr. Brenan Jackson asked regions to remind schools that all coaches need to be put on RegisterMyCoach and certified by schools and/or districts.
10. Coaches' credentials were discussed and an officials' update was provided to the Committee.
11. The Executive Committee reviewed the applications for membership for five schools: City Academy, Deer Creek High School in Wasatch School District, Havenwood Academy, Mountain Valley School and Wallace Stegner Academy.
12. Ms. Missy Mackay-Whiteurs discussed cheer safety clinics. A motion was passed to recommend criteria and guidelines to the Board of Trustees.
13. Changes to the basketball and football mercy rules were approved.
14. UHSAA Moratoriums were discussed and recommendations made to the Board of Trustees.

15. Mr. Jackson reviewed region feedback concerning the recommendations from the Boys Soccer Coaches Association.
16. Ms. Whittaker provided information from the results of the Emerging Sports Survey. Representatives for the sport of Pickleball presented to the Committee.
17. Mr. Rob Cuff provided dates and timeline for the 2027-2029 realignment of member schools, including the approved format and procedures for the alignment.
18. Mr. Mark Van Wagoner, UHSAA Legal Counsel, provided a legal report.
19. The UHSAA Awards Selection Committee met before the General Executive Committee meeting and selected the 2025 Distinguished Service Award winners. The Award honors outstanding contributors to Utah high school activities and brings together Utah's finest educators, officials and contributors at the high school level. Award recipients will be recognized at a luncheon during the next Executive Committee meeting in January.