

## UHESA Meeting #67

March 15, 2011  
Conference Call  
2:00 – 3:00 pm

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER and WELCOME.....Clint Moser**

Meeting called to order at 2:04 pm.

<i>Utah State University – College of Eastern Utah:</i>	<i>Juanita McEvoy</i>
<i>Dixie State College:</i>	<i>Sue Perschon</i>
<i>Salt Lake Community College:</i>	<i>No one in Attendance</i>
<i>Snow College:</i>	<i>No one in Attendance</i>
<i>Southern Utah University:</i>	<i>Sheri Butler, Travis Rosenberg, Bruce Barclay</i>
<i>University of Utah:</i>	<i>Shayla DeGooyer</i>
<i>Utah State University:</i>	<i>Lisa Lieshman</i>
<i>Utah Valley University:</i>	<i>Clint Moser</i>
<i>Weber State University:</i>	<i>Kristie Nielsen, Lynell Gardner, Lisa Allen-Martinez</i>

### **OLD BUSINESS.....Clint Moser**

#### Minutes

Due to a lack of majority quorum, January minute approval was tabled to the next meeting.

### **LEGISLATIVE REPORT.....Bill Jensen**

Clint asked for delegates impressions of the 2011 UHESA Day at the Capitol. Sheri thought it was interesting. Shayla commented that she learned a lot so she would deem it a worthwhile activity to continue, particularly the discussion with Legislator Draxler. Clint asked if there was anything UHESA could do that would improve the situation (that was within our control). All delegates reported that they were surprised at the overall outcome, but that wasn't something UHESA could have planned for.

Much of this had to do with the many last-minute introductions and changes that occurred without any comments or time for feedback, thus making the process difficult. Clint summarized the following from the session:

- At the beginning of the legislative session, there was a 7% reduction or \$52,000,000 slated for Higher Education. Over \$38,500,000 was restored by the end of the session, leading to an overall 2% reduction from base funding.
  - As far as increases, Dixie State said that they were going to have a 6% increase but didn't know if that's only first or second tier tuition.
  - Utah State said they have proposed a second tier tuition increase to use for equity increases.
  - Officially, all the tuition increases will go to the Regents at their March meeting.
  - Weber State reported a 3% increase to their student fees so far.
- Legislature approved ongoing funding for the Regents Scholarship.
- Higher Ed also faces a 2% decrease in the health care budget + a mandatory premium share shift to 90/10 which impacts all Higher Ed entities differently. House bill 427 added \$1,500,000 back in to help ease the cut from \$5,500,000 down to roughly \$4,000,000 through the excellence in education task force.

- There were some additional funding priorities that were approved such as new buildings, funds for the USF Centre at SUU, etc.
- There were several bills that did not pass that would have impacted tenure, tuition changes, etc.

Since the session has just ended, it is proposed we discuss further the ramifications and what each campus is doing at the next two UHESA meetings in April and May.

**MAY MEETING.....Lynell Gardner/Diana Meiser/Kristie Nielsen**

The original May Meeting at Weber State needs to be moved to better accommodate UHESA and delegate attendance. After discussing several dates and solutions, it was proposed and approved that the UHESA Quarterly Meeting takes place on Monday, May 23, 2011 at Weber State University's Alumni House. More information will be forthcoming.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:51 pm.