

**MINUTES OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION AND APPLIED TECHNOLOGY
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, April 30, 2008 – 2:00 p.m. – Room C450 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Curtis S. Bramble, Senate Chair
Rep. Kevin S. Garn, House Chair
Sen. Margaret Dayton
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. Karen Mayne
Rep. Ron Bigelow
Rep. Lorie D. Fowlke
Rep. James R. Gowens

Rep. Kory M. Holdaway
Rep. Brad King
Rep. Gordon E. Snow

Staff Present:

Ms. Allison M. Nicholson, Policy Analyst
Mr. Dee S Larsen, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Wendy Bangerter, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Committee Business

Chair Garn called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. He welcomed and introduced committee members and staff, and gave an opening statement regarding the creation and charge of the Committee.

Ms. Nicholson outlined the charge given to the Committee by the Legislative Management Committee to "study and make recommendations on: (i) governance of the state's higher education and applied technology systems with particular emphasis on area technology centers; and (ii) the roles, missions, and governance of institutions of higher education." She noted that there were also three issues assigned to the Committee from the Master Study Resolution.

Chair Bramble assumed the chair and gave an opening statement regarding the creation and charge of the Committee.

2. History of Applied Technology Governance in Utah

Mr. Larsen distributed and reviewed "A Brief History and Overview of Applied Technology Education Governance in Utah." He referred to documents in the mailing packet as well to describe ATE (Applied Technology Education), how it was administered in Utah prior to 2001, efforts of the Applied Technology Education Task Force in 2000, and legislation resulting from those efforts. He also reviewed subsequent legislation passed in 2003, 2005, 2007, and legislation introduced in 2008.

3. Applied Technology Education

Chair Bramble invited those present in the audience to introduce themselves and who they represent.

Mr. David Buhler, Interim Commissioner, USHE (Utah System of Higher Education), distributed a copy of and presented a slide show entitled "UCAT as a Part of the Utah System of Higher Education." He also distributed "What Types of Courses are Considered Career and Technical Education in the Utah System of Higher Education?" He reviewed the primary legislative directives to USHE and specifically, UCAT (Utah College of Applied Technology).

Ms. Ann Millner, President, WSU (Weber State University), discussed WSU's partnerships and articulation agreements with UCAT.

Committee members made specific requests for information to be brought to the Committee in future meetings.

Mr. Rick White, President, UCAT, distributed UCAT's 2007 Annual Report and distributed and presented a slide show entitled "Utah's Investment in UCAT." He reviewed UCAT's mission and strategic planning, and answered questions from committee members.

Committee members again asked for specific information to be brought to future meetings, as well as the request to hear from UCAT Campus presidents.

Mr. Tom Bingham, Member of the UCAT Board of Trustees and President, Utah Manufacturers Association, gave a presentation to the committee. He gave suggestions on issues for the Committee to discuss in future meetings.

4. Other Items / Adjourn

Future meetings were proposed for:

- May 13, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.
- May 27, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.
- June 19, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Fowlke moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Sen. Hillyard was absent for the vote.

Chair Bramble adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.