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Utah State Senate  
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**Subject: Senate Consent for Appointment of UCAT Commissioner of Technical Education**

Dear President Niederhauser,

Utah statute provides that “the [Utah College of Applied Technology] board of trustees, upon approval from the governor and with the consent of the Senate, shall appoint a commissioner of technical education” (UCA 53B-2a-102 (1)(a)). The UCAT Board of Trustees is seeking the consent of the Senate for the appointment of Dr. David R. Woolstenhulme as the Commissioner of Technical Education. We have also submitted the selection to Governor Gary R. Herbert for his approval.

The UCAT Board of Trustees selected Dr. Woolstenhulme from among four finalists in its meeting on September 14, 2016. I have attached his résumé for your reference. The finalists were identified by a search committee designated from UCAT trustees, local applied technology college presidents and boards, legislators, and the Governor’s Office. We greatly appreciated participation from the Senate in the search committee by Senator Evan J. Vickers.

We are hopeful that consent for Dr. Woolstenhulme’s appointment can be considered in the Senate’s October interim meeting. We will appreciate guidance from you and your office regarding how to coordinate follow-up on the consent process. Acting UCAT Commissioner Jared Haines is available to assist on our behalf ([801-341-6002](tel:801-341-6002), [jhaines@ucat.edu](mailto:jhaines@ucat.edu)).

We appreciate your great support of the Utah College of Applied Technology.

Sincerely,

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