## UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

Policy Number: 5007

Policy Name: Trust Lands Advisory Committee

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The Utah State Board of Education (the Board) hereby establishes the Trust Lands Advisory Committee (TLAC).

- 1. The purpose of TLAC is to:
  - a. advise the Board, regarding school community councils, the School LAND Trust Program, and issues related to school trust lands and funds that may affect the Program; and
  - b. disseminate information to the education community about how to implement the Board's policies, programs, rules, and procedures.
- 2. Duties
  - a. In support of its purposes, TLAC may:
    - provide information and consult with the Board, at all levels of the decision-making process on decisions affecting the School LAND Trust Program, school community councils, charter trust land councils, and school trust issues affecting the School LAND Trust Program are formulated, and in facilitation of related future education needs and services;
    - solicit feedback from the public regarding Board policies, programs, rules, and procedures and provide feedback to the Board on trust land related policies, programs, rules, and procedures;
    - iii. remain knowledgeable and informed regarding land policies as theyimpact education funding;
    - iv. perform other specific tasks as may be identified by the Board;
    - v. create taskforces with Board approval; and
    - vi. recommend procedural changes to the administration of the School LAND Trust Program and school community council training to be implemented

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upon approval of a member of the Superintendency.

- 3. Meetings
  - a. TLAC shall meet at least eight times a year.
  - b. During its meetings TLAC may:
    - i. discuss and prepare feedback on Board agenda items related to the School LAND Trust Program, school community councils, and trust land and fund issues that may affect the School LAND Trust Program;
    - ii. make written recommendations and provide feedback to:
      - A. Board committee chairs on matters coming before the Board's committees; and
      - B. Board leadership on matters scheduled to come before the full Board; and
    - iii. discuss and prepare recommendations to Board leadership, as appropriate, on other issues related to the committee's duties.
  - c. TLAC meetings shall be open to the public, but TLAC meetings are not subject to Title 52, Chapter 4, the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.
  - d. TLAC may conduct committee business under Roberts Rules of Order.
  - e. Members may receive compensation for travel consistent with Board policy.
- 4. Staff
  - a. The School Children's Trust Section shall:
    - provide clerical support to facilitate meeting logistics, prepare meeting agendas and minutes, and assist with required written communication to the Board;
    - ii. send a copy of each TLAC agenda to the Board at least five days before the TLAC meeting; and
    - iii. prepare a short summary of each TLAC meeting and send the summary to the Board.
- 5. Membership
  - a. TLAC shall be comprised of the following voting members:
    - i. two members who are parents and who have expertise in trust lands

and school community council issues, including one parent from a rural area;

- ii. one educator member who has expertise in trust lands and school community council issues;
- iii. one member who is a local school board member;
- iv. one member who is a school district superintendent;
- v. one member of the charter school community with expertise in trust lands or the School LAND Trust Program;
- vi. one member with expertise in serving students who are at-risk for underachievement;
- vii. one member who is a school district or charter school business administrator;
- viii. one member who is an elementary principal;
- ix. one member who is a secondary principal; and
- x. three at-large members.
- non-voting members of TLAC may include the Board's School Children's Trust Section staff, and members of the Superintendency.
- c. Interested individuals may apply to serve as voting members of TLAC. TLAC voting members shall be appointed by the Board. The Director shall review applications submitted by individuals interested in serving on TLAC and make recommendations to the Board for appointment.
- d. TLAC members shall be appointed for four-year terms. Committee member terms of service shall be staggered so that approximately half of the members are appointed every two years.
  - i. If a committee member fails to attend four or more consecutive meetings, the committee chair may recommend that the Board replace the member as provided in Subsection (c).
  - ii. The Board may appoint a new member to complete the term of a committee member who is unable to complete the member's term of service. A newly appointed member shall be appointed to complete the remainder of the predecessor's term.

- 6. Committee Leadership
  - a. TLAC shall elect a Chair and a Vice chair from the voting membership every two years.
  - b. The Chair (or Vice chair in the absence of the Chair) shall:
    - i. conduct TLAC meetings;
    - ii. report to Board leadership and committee chairs as requested; and
    - iii. invite other stakeholders and additional USBE staff to participate in TLAC meetings as needed.
- 7. \_Applicability of Board Policies
  - a. This policy is subject to Board Policy 1004 Advisory Committees.