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Innovation Task Force

The Innovation Task Force, formed by the Board in October, has made significant progress toward its goal of exploring potential innovation which can benefit Utah’s higher education system. As a body, the group has met five times to explore and discuss the various educational innovations. Five workgroups were identified, covering the topics of:

- Competency-Based Education;
- On-Ramps for Underprepared & Underrepresented Students;
- Open Educational Resources;
- PLA Outsourcing; and
- P3-Technology Innovations.

Task force members selected topics of interest and have begun meeting to identify the next steps within each workgroup. Workgroup chairs will present their work to date at the May Board meeting.

Competency-Based Education	
Robert Wagner*	Aaron Osmond
Will Pierce	Chris Guymon

On-Ramp for Underprepared & Underrepresented Students	
Robert Wagner	Jim Taggart
Kim Ziebarth	Brad Cook
Jason Pickavance*	Noelle Cockett
Julie Hartley	

Open Education Resources	
Leigh Shaw	Jason Pickavance
Deb Keyek-Franssen*	Kelly Flanagan
Scott Wyatt	

PLA Outsourcing	
Dan Reed	Jess Gilmore*
Noelle Cockett	

P3 – Technology Innovation	
Aaron Osmond	Deb Keyek-Franssen
Brad Cook	Chris Guymon*
Kelly Flanagan	

* denotes workgroup chair

Commissioner’s Recommendation

This is an information item only; no action is required.