



**Utah Board of Higher Education
Virtual Meeting
Tuesday, February 18, 2025**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

Executive Committee Members Present

Amanda Covington, Chair
Steve Neeleman, Vice Chair
Javier Chavez Jr.

Office of the Commissioner

Geoffrey Landward, Commissioner
Alison Adams, General Counsel and Secretary to the Utah Board of Higher Education
Brynn Fronk, Executive Assistant to the Utah Board of Higher Education
Angie Stallings, Deputy Commissioner and COO
Nate Talley, Deputy Commissioner and CFO

Chair Amanda Covington called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.

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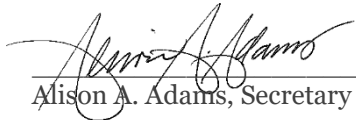
Sabbatical Request

Commissioner Landward shared the sabbatical/leave of absence request from Utah Valley University President Astrid Tuminez. **Vice Chair Neeleman moved to approve President Astrid Tuminez's request for a leave of absence through March 31, 2025, under Board Policy R210. Chair Covington seconded the motion, and the Executive Committee members in attendance voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed.**

Board member Chavez Jr. moved to appoint Jim Mortensen, VP of Finance and Auxiliary Services, as acting president of UVU through March 31, 2025. Vice Chair Neeleman seconded the motion, and the Executive Committee members in attendance voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed.

Chair Covington moved to adjourn. Vice Chair Neeleman seconded the motion, and the Executive Committee members in attendance voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.


Alison A. Adams, Secretary

Date Approved: March 27, 2025