



**Utah Board of Higher Education
Virtual Conference via Zoom
Thursday, May 1, 2025**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

Executive Committee Members Present

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

Office of the Commissioner

Geoffrey Landward, Commissioner of Higher Education
Alison Adams, General Counsel and Board Secretary
Taylor Adams, Associate Commissioner of Student Affairs
Angie Stallings, Deputy Commissioner & COO
Nate Talley, Deputy Commissioner and CFO
Melissa Van Hien, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner and Office Manager

Chair Covington called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

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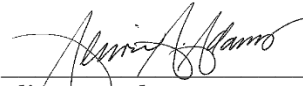
The Executive Committee convened to take action on behalf of the Board under Board Policy R120 subsection 3.9.5.2.

2025-2026 State Aid Award Level Recommendations

Taylor Adams provided the background and philosophy of the state aid programs that the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education manages. She reviewed the four programs for which the Executive Committee will be setting limits. The Executive Committee asked Taylor questions regarding the Veteran Program and tracking. **Vice Chair Neeleman moved to approve the award levels for the Opportunity Scholarship, Prime Scholarship, Veterans Tuition Gap Program, and Adult Learner Grant. Chair Covington seconded the motion. The Executive Committee members voted unanimously in favor, and the motion passed.**

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

The meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.


Alison A. Adams, Secretary

Date Approved: May 15, 2025