

Executive Committee Meeting Summary  
September 24, 2014

1. Chairman Craig Hammer called the meeting to order and reviewed the important dates found in the UHSAA Ready Reference Calendars (see [www.uhsaa.org](http://www.uhsaa.org)).
2. Mr. Joel Coleman, Acting USOE State Superintendent, discussed items relating to the Utah State Office of Education. The search is in progress for a new State Superintendent and should be in place by the end of the calendar year.
3. Mr. Bart Thompson reviewed the 2014-2015 calendar. The Executive Committee approved Jordan High School as the site for the 2A/3A soccer semifinals and Juan Diego Catholic High School as the site for the 4A/5A soccer semifinals. The committee also approved Dixie State University as the site for the 3A basketball tournament. The 2A state volleyball tournament was moved to Wednesday and Thursday, rather than Friday and Saturday, of the same week at UVU due to a scheduling conflict at the University.
4. Out of the 103 Utah high schools that play football, 102 played in a UHSAA football endowment game this year. There were 51 games featuring Utah teams. An endowment game financial report will be available for the November meeting.
5. UHSAA Moratorium dates were discussed. Regions were asked to discuss procedures for exceptions to the dates and bring that information back to the meeting in November.
6. Ms. Kim Monkres discussed sportsmanship items as part of the Sportsmanship Committee report. The fourth annual student leadership conference will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2015, at Murray High School.
7. Schools are encouraged, but not mandated, to get involved with unified sports. The UHSAA has partnered with Special Olympics Utah to sanction track and soccer as unified sports events for the current school year. Interested schools should contact the UHSAA.
8. Mr. Ryan Bishop emphasized the importance of coaches' certification and the responsibility of schools and districts to track the certification of coaches.
9. The Executive Committee determined that adjustments for Summer Moratorium can only be made as an entire school, not per sport or activity.
10. More discussion will be forthcoming on what schools can do in regards to football practice and games. The football coaches association will provide input to UHSAA staff.

11. The Executive Committee had initial discussion regarding the sanctioning of boys' and girls' lacrosse. Committee members were asked to have discussion in region meetings with further discussion in future Executive Committee meetings.
12. Realignment dates were discussed and information is provided on the UHSAA website. The Board of Trustees will meet in November and twice in December to discuss final realignment decisions.
13. The officials/referees pay scale has changed and is available on the UHSAA website.
14. The Executive Committee went into an executive session to discuss state and region disciplinary actions, legal issues and legislative items.
15. Region nominations for distinguished service awards and school nominations for the super fan award are due to the UHSAA by November 1, 2014.
16. Schools are to be thinking of candidates to nominate for the Spirit of Sport and Heart of the Arts Award. The deadlines to the UHSAA will be in December.
17. High School Sports Participation has increased across the nation for the 25<sup>th</sup> consecutive year to a record 7.8 million participants as reported by the National Federation of State High Schools.