

Executive Committee Meeting Summary
September 30, 2015

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).
2. Mr. Josh Taylor reviewed the 2015-2016 calendar. Rio Tinto Stadium will receive new turf in May and new sites for the boys' soccer championship games in the spring will need to be approved in November. Spring golf dates and sites were approved by the Committee as well as sites for wrestling divisionals. Calendar information can be found on the UHSAA website.
3. Out of the 104 Utah high schools that play football, 100 played in a UHSAA football endowment game this year. There were 50 games featuring Utah teams. An endowment game financial report will be available for the November meeting.
4. Ms. Kim Monkres discussed sportsmanship items as part of the Sportsmanship Committee report. She discussed the Battle of the Fans initiative and encouraged all schools to participate.
5. The fifth annual student leadership conference will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2016, at Murray High School.
6. 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.
7. Mr. Ryan Bishop emphasized the importance of coaches' certification and the responsibility of schools and districts to track the certification of coaches.
8. Mr. Bishop discussed the proposed football spring restrictions and the timeline for a decision will be the November meeting after football coaches present information to Athletic Directors.
9. The Executive Committee has again determined that adjustments for Summer Moratorium (July 5-11) can only be made as an entire school, not per sport or activity.
10. A Realignment Committee report was provided with an update of the items being considered for the 2017-2019 realignment of member schools. The Realignment Committee will meet again on November 10 before a final proposal is presented to the Executive Committee in January for consideration on the realignment format and procedures.

11. The officials/referees pay scale has changed and is available on the UHSAA website.
12. The Executive Committee went into an executive session to discuss state and region disciplinary actions, legal issues and legislative items.
13. Interpretation concerning the 20 hour week practice limitation rule was discussed by the Committee. Questions and answers can be found in the UHSAA Handbook.
14. Mr. Taylor presented the opportunity for member schools to participate in the NFHS Network School Broadcast Program. Interested schools should contact Mr. Taylor at UHSAA.
15. Region nominations for distinguished service awards and school nominations for the super fan award are due to the UHSAA by November 1, 2015.
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. The staff reviewed the UHSAA Summit that was held at Maverik Center and Sevier Valley Center. Thanks was expressed to all schools who participated. There were more than 300 individuals who attend the first annual event.
18. High School Sports Participation has increased across the nation for the 26th consecutive year to a record 7.8 million participants as reported by the National Federation of State High Schools.