



**Utah School Readiness Board**  
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 30, 2020  
10:30am – 11:00am

**Board Member Attendees:** Jim Sorenson, Tracy Gruber, Jeremias Solari, Debbie Hanson, Janis Dubno, Amy Terpstra, Seung-Hee Claire Son, Jennifer Thronsdn  
**Excused:** Jamie Bitton, Steve Crandall  
**Other Attendees:** Nune Phillips, Emma Moench, Montana Meyers, Kellie Kohler, Courtenay Burns, Kim Beck, April Gardner, Jamie Robinson, Jessica Smith, Mark Innocenti, Ellisa Morine, Joe Edman, Rhonda Bailey

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS and ACTION
Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Jim Sorenson welcomed the group.</li> <li>b. Nune Phillips called for attendance of the board members.</li> </ul>	
Pay for Success Independent Evaluator Contracts (Rhonda Bailey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Ms. Bailey from the DWS Division of Adjudications explained the purpose of the independent contractor as described in Utah Code is to ensure impartiality and noted that analysis of data by the entity responsible for the data would be a conflict of interest. Analysis of data has to be done separately of the entity that collects and owns the data. The code states; (35A-15-402 Results-based Contracts – Assessment.)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(3) The board shall require an independent evaluation to determine if a school readiness program meets the performance outcome measures included in a results-based contract.</li> <li>(4) If the board enters into a results-based contract, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code, the board shall select an independent evaluator with experience in evaluating school readiness programs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Ms. Bailey explained that state procurement rules stipulate that with contracts between state entities, procurement rules do not apply therefore the USU contract would not need to go out for bid. The state procurement rules were reviewed by the Adjudications and Contracts divisions in support of this interpretation and Ms. Bailey noted that DWS may enter into a contract with USU for the purpose of the Pay for Success Transaction.</li> </ul>	Mr. Sorenson called for a motion to allow DWS to proceed to enter into a contract with USU/Mark Innocenti as the Pay for Success independent evaluator for the duration of the Transaction. Ms. Terpstra motioned to approve. Ms. Dubno seconded the motion. Ms. Thronsdn opposed. Motion carried.
Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Rhonda Bailey provided the code for independent analysis 63G-6A-2102</li> <li>b. Next Meeting September 17, 2020 10:00-12:00pm</li> </ul>	
Adjournment		Mr. Sorenson called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Gruber motioned. Ms. Terpstra seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.