



UTAH SCHOOL BOARDS  
ASSOCIATION

Leadership Academy 2021

# CREATING A NEW REALITY

September 16–18, 2021 | Zermatt Midway Resort | Casual Dress



# THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2021

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11:00am Optional Golf - 18 holes

1:00pm Optional Golf - 9 holes

3:00pm Registration

4:00pm Hotel Check In

4:30-5:30pm Board President & Vice-President's Circle.....Grindelwald Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
**Amber Shill, USBA President**

6:00pm Opening Session.....Matterhorn Ballroom 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
  
Welcome: **Amber Shill, USBA President**

Dinner

7:00pm Introduction: **Shannon Acor, Academy Committee**

**Keynote Speaker - Meg Johnson**

Before being paralyzed, Meg was a ballroom dancer and professional party planner. Then a weekend trip changed it all and Meg was paralyzed on March 6, 2004 when she was hiking in Southern Utah. She returned home without the use of her legs, back, stomach, or hands and is a C-7 quadriplegic. Meg inspires audiences all over the world with her message of hope, happiness, determination, and triumph. She is a founding partner of Jumping Turtle LLC and Our Turtle House.



“I am the one in the wheelchair, but I am not the only one who knows what it feels like when this life gets too hard to stand and we all need a little help to keep on rollin.’

- Meg Johnson

# FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2021

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7:30-8:30am Breakfast Buffet.....Matterhorn Ballroom 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

8:30am Welcome: Linda Hanks, USBA President Elect

## 9:00-9:50am Breakout Sessions

*School Finance: Show Me the Money* .....Grindelwald Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenter: Rob Smith, Assistant Superintendent & Business Administrator  
Alpine School District**

*Conversations vs. Criticism*.....Davos Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenter: Representative Doug Welton, Nebo Debate Teacher &  
Utah House of Representatives**

*Board Member to Board Member Relationships*.....St. Moritz Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenters: Linda Hands, USBA President Elect  
Brigit Gerrard, USBA Vice President**

*Legislative Voice and Relationships*.....Monte Rosa Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenters: McKay Jensen, USBA Past President, JLC Co-Chair**

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12:00-1:30pm

Lunch and Short Break

1:30-2:20pm

General Session.....Matterhorn Ballroom 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Welcome: Brigit Gerrard, USBA Vice President

Introduction: Mont Millerberg, Academy Committee

Keynote Speaker - Noelle Pikus Pace

*Personal Development: Leadership Shifting from Good to Great*  
Noelle is a 2x Olympian, 2014 Olympic Silver Medalist, 26x World Cup Medalist, 2x World Champion, Mother, Author, Motivational Speaker, Product Spokesperson / Model and Business Owner



2:30-3:20pm

### Breakout Sessions

*Board & District Administrative Relationships*.....Grindelwald Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
Presenters: Tracy Miller, President Jordan School Board  
Anthony Godfrey, Superintendent Jordan School District

*Open Meeting Law: Stay on Target* .....Davos Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
Presenters: Patrick Tanner & Paul Van Komen  
Burbidge, Van Komen, Tanner & Scruggs

*Board Ethics: Starring Andy* .....Monte Rosa Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
Presenter: Becky Dunn, Academy Committee Chair

3:30-4:20

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Welcome - McKay Jensen, USBA Past President

Dinner

Introduction: Kelly Preece, Academy Committee

7:00-8:30pm

Entertainment - Jason Hewlett

*One-Man Show of Comedy & Music: The Promise*  
Having delivered thousands of presentations over two decades, Jason Hewlett is the only speaker in the world teaching leadership skills, tools, and mindsets in such a powerfully unconventional



# SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

7:00-8:00am

5k Walk or Run for Fun

8:30-9:30am

Breakfast

Welcome - Linda Hanks, USBA President Elect

5k & Golf Award - Terry Bawden, Academy Committee

9:30-10:15am

Overview of USBA Ted talks - Katherine Kennedy, Academy Committee

10:25-10:55am

USBA Ted Talks

*Post Pandemic Changes: What have you done as board? What are you doing to inspire change? What can you do to become change agents?*

.....Matterhorn Ballroom 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenter: Amber Shill, USBA President**

*Innovation: Anything is possible*

.....Grindelwald Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenter: Dr. Cade Douglas, Superintendent Sevier School District**

*Closing the Achievement Gap: Breaking Barriers*.....

.....Davos Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenters: Karyn Winder, President Granite School Board**

**Dr. Rich Nye, Superintendent Granite School District**

*Social Emotional Learning (SEL): Making a Difference*.....

.....Monte Rosa Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Presenter: Larry Bergeson, Superintendent Washington County School District**

11:05-11:35am

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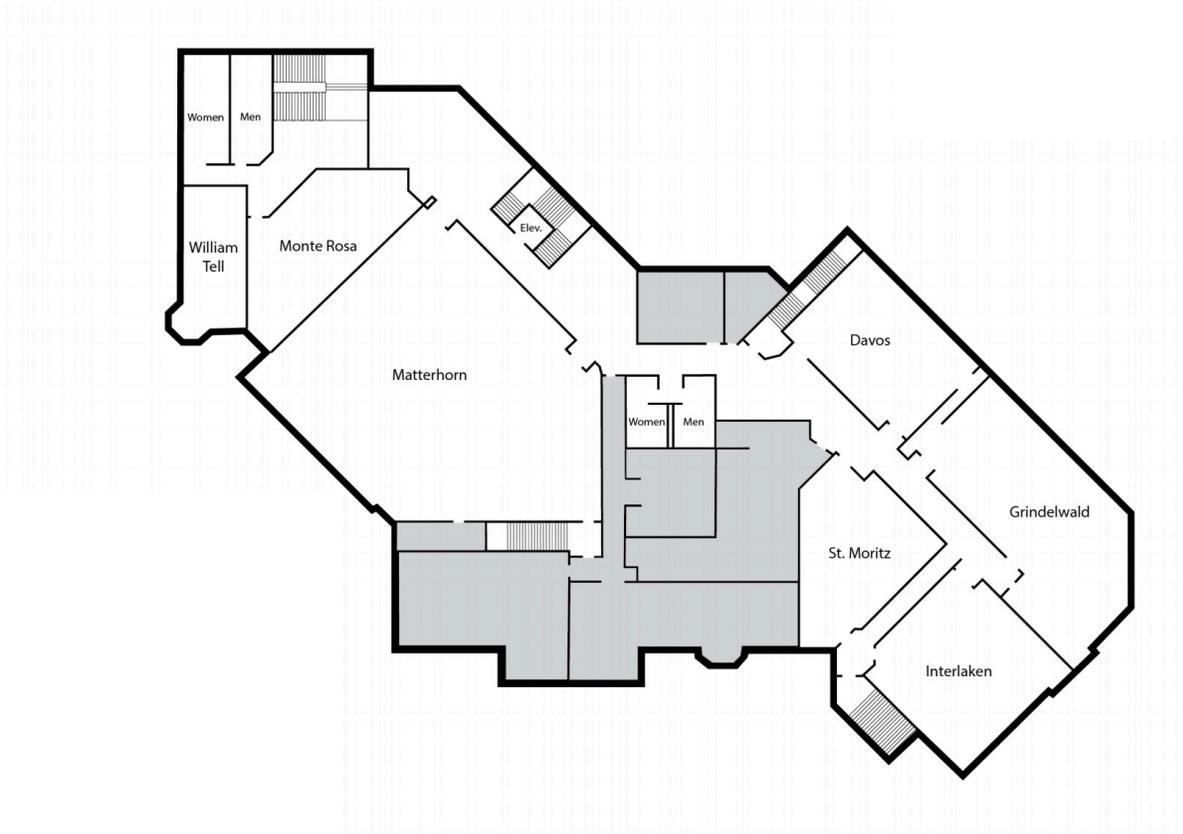
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11:45

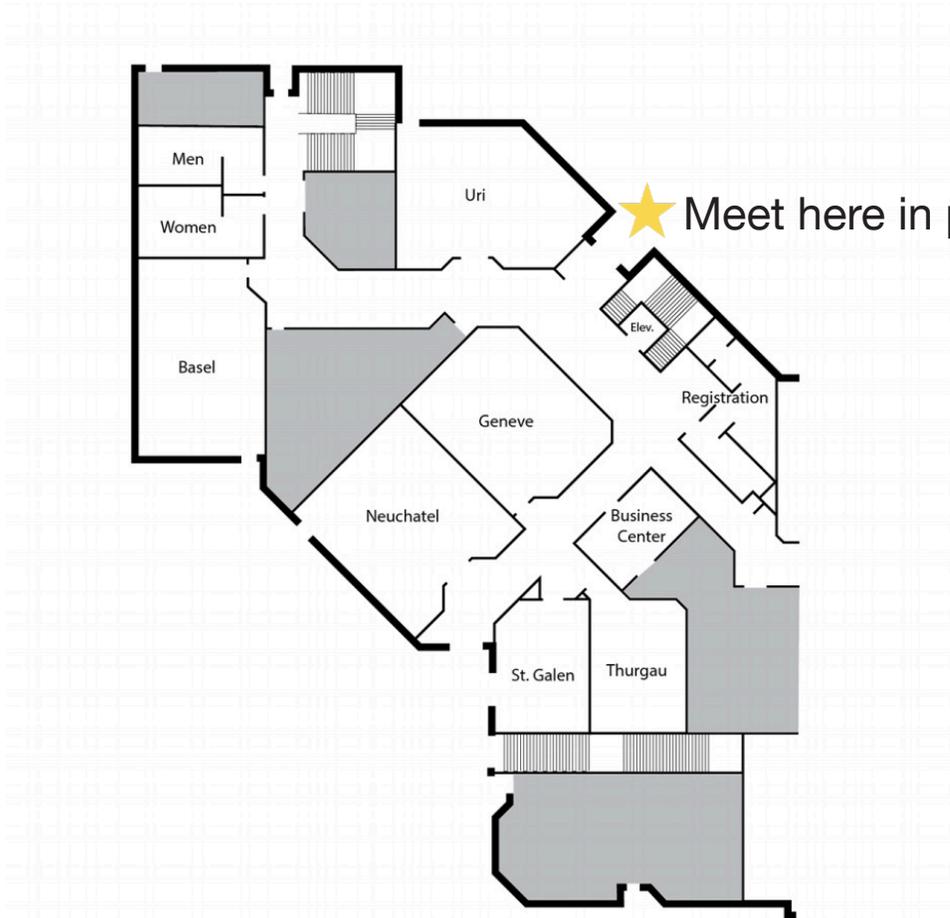
Adjourn



# Second Floor



# First Floor



★ Meet here in parking lot for 5k

## USBA Leadership Academy Committee

Becky Dunn, Chair  
Katherine Kennedy  
Shannon Acor  
Kelly Preece  
Terry Bawden  
Mont Millerberg

## USBA Officers and Staff

Amber Shill, President  
Linda Hanks, President Elect  
Brigit Gerrard, Vice President  
McKay Jensen, Immediate Past President  
Richard Stowell, Executive Director



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