

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS & PRACTICES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019

*Office of Public Instruction Conference Room
1300 11th AVE, First Floor
Helena, MT*

Starting at 9:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Elder called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. The Chair read the Statement of Public Participation and welcomed guests on the call. Ms. Stockton took roll call.

Council members present: Mr. Kelly Elder, Chair; Ms. Noreen Burris, Vice Chair; Ms. Leanne Lorenz; Mr. Tom Cabbage; Ms. Ann Wake; Ms. Angel Turoski; Mr. Rob Watson. Staff present: Mr. Pete Donovan, Executive Director Board of Public Education and CSPAC; Ms. Kris Stockton, Administrative Assistant, Board of Public Education and CSPAC. Guests present included: Dr. Linda Vrooman Peterson, OPI; Ms. Kristine Thatcher, OPI; Mr. Marco Ferro, MFPE.

APPROVE AGENDA

Ms. Leanne Yenny moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Ms. Norreen Burris.

No discussion. Motion passed.

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Tom Cabbage moved to approve the October 2, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Noreen Burris seconded the motion.

No discussion. Motion passed.

ITEM 1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – Mr. Kelly Elder

Chair Elder reviewed the work the office has done regarding the Legislature and noted for the Council his attendance at the Joint Appropriations Committee Hearing for the Board of Public Education budget where he supported the proposed budget. Chair Elder discussed Representative Jones' commendation to the agency for managing the small budget they have so well. Mr. Donovan thanked Chair Elder for his support at the hearing.

ITEM 2 BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION REPORT – Mr. Pete Donovan

Mr. Donovan reviewed several bills he is following and will be attending hearings for later in the day including SB 140 Dyslexia Intervention and Screening Act, and the Dyslexia Task Force formed by Superintendent Arntzen he is a part of. Mr. Donovan noted he is also attending the hearing on HB 351 Transformational Learning. Another bill being watched is HB 387 Advanced Opportunity Grant to accelerate advanced learning opportunities for students. Deputy Superintendent Jule Walker also noted some bills the OPI is following including: SB 132 Student Safety and Accountability Act, HB 61 Student Data Sharing, HB 127 which changes the BASE Aid payment schedule, and a bill giving the Montana Digital Academy its own line item in the budget. Mr. Donovan then discussed a conversation and email exchange he had with an individual seeking licensure in Montana based upon National Board certification status. The biggest problem surrounding this request is that National Board Certification

endorsements do not line up with Montana endorsements, and although the OPI makes every possible attempt to make things line up, certain National Board endorsements don't exist currently in Montana.

ITEM 3 EDUCATOR LICENSURE REPORT – Kris Thatcher

Ms. Kristine Thatcher, Educator Licensure Manager reviewed the Educator Licensure Report for the Council. The report was presented to the Board of Public Education at their January meeting, as a scheduled annual report each January. Ms. Thatcher reviewed the report for the Council and answered questions. A discussion then ensued surrounding Emergency Authorization, and Ms. Thatcher reviewed the Emergency Authorization rule, how it works, how many years it covers, and gave examples of how districts have used the Emergency Authorization rule.

ITEM 4 MONTANA DIGITAL ACADEMY REPORT – Bob Currie

Mr. Currie was unable to attend and this report has been moved to the April 2019 CSPAC meeting.

ITEM 5 COMPARISON OF THE ADVANCED PROGRAM STANDARDS: MONTANA PEPPS ARM 10.58.601-609 WITH THE REVISED COUNCIL FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION (CAEP) STANDARDS- Linda Peterson

Dr. Linda Peterson reviewed the Advanced Program Standards comparison for the Council noting that Rocky Mountain College will be the first Educator Preparation Program in Montana to be reviewed using these new standards in 2020. Dr. Peterson noted that additional reports will be presented to both the Board of Public Education and the Council likely in July.

ITEM 6 NOTICE OF THE NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING FOR NOMINATIONS/APPLICATIONS TO SERVE ON THE NR COMMITTEE TO AMEND ARM 10.55.606 ACCREDITATION PROCESS PERTAINING TO STUDENT PERFORMANCE MEASURES USED TO DETERMINE ACCREDITATION STATUS - Linda Peterson

Dr. Linda Peterson reviewed the Negotiated Rulemaking process for Accreditation, how the process works, how the committee is formed, and discussed the proposed timeline for the changes which will be presented to the Board of Public Education as well.

ITEM 7 REVIEW OF CLASS 8 LICENSE APPLICATIONS – Kris Thatcher

Two class 8 license applications were reviewed by the Council and both applications were approved.

ITEM 8 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Montana Digital Academy Report
Legislative Update
Review DRAFT Annual Report

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

ADJOURN

Ms. Noreen Burris moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Angel Turoski seconded the motion.

No discussion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 AM

Agenda items are handled in the order listed on the approved agenda. Items may be rearranged unless listed "time certain". Action may be taken by the Council on any item listed on the agenda. Public comment is welcome on all items but time limits on public comment may be set at the Chair's discretion.

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