



CERTIFICATION STANDARDS & PRACTICES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY OCTOBER 12TH, 2012
ROOM 115 – Office Annex Bldg
Salish Kootenai College
Pablo, Montana

Welcome and Introductions – Angel Turoski (UGF>MCDE) and Pete Donovan (CSPAC)

The meeting was called to order at 8:53 by Angel Turoski and introductions were made around the table.

Sharon Applegate, Chair, CSPAC: Standards-based Grading

Ms. Applegate shared with the council and Deans the new Standards-based grading process at the Kalispell Middle School and her concerns about students moving to high school where Letter grade based grading is used. The group discussed how Standards-based grading converts to college entrance/acceptance.

Sandra Boham, Director, Indian Education Department, Great Falls Public Schools: Discussion with MCDE and CSPAC the possibility of creating either an Area of Specialized Permissive Competency or licensure endorsement in Native American Studies

Due to the agenda being ahead of schedule Ms. Tammy Lacey and Mr. Pete Donovan briefly discussed this topic in Ms. Boham's absence. Dr. Linda Peterson discussed the process for adding an Area of Specialized Permissive Competency. Ms. Boham arrived. After introducing herself she discussed her background and the need she sees for this content area to become an Area of Specialized Permissive Competency.

Linda Peterson, OPI:

- Montana Praxis and HQT Requirements Dissemination Plan (Letter to Campuses & Form) - Update
- Standard-setting Studies - Update

Dr. Linda Peterson presented a new set of policy and evaluation standards created by the Council of Deans for recommending teacher candidates for licensure. The process will be standard throughout all schools of education in Montana.

Susan Harper-Whalen, UM: AACTE Communication on Rankings

Marco Ferro, Update from MEA-MFT

Mr. Marco Ferro from MEA-MFT briefly discussed the upcoming election, political climate, and the teacher evaluation model coming out of the Chapter 55 Revisions.

CALL TO ORDER OF CERTIFICATION STANDARDS AND PRACTICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 by Ms. Sharon Applegate-Chair.

Present were Council Members: Ms. Sharon Applegate–Chair, Ms. Tammy Lacey-Vice Chair, Ms. Janice Bishop, Mr. Kelly Elder, Mr. Don Reed, and Dr. Cindy O'Dell. Staff members present were Mr. Peter Donovan, Executive Director Board of Public Education, and Ms. Kris Stockton, Administrative Assistant Board of Public Education. Guests included Dr. Linda Peterson, OPI; Mr. Marco Ferro, MEA-MFT; Mr. Doug Ruhman, Salish Kootenai College; Ms. Amy Burland, Salish Kootenai College.

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Cindy O'Dell moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Kelly Elder seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the July 11th, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Tammy Lacey moved to approve the July 11th, 2012 Minutes. Mr. Don Reed seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 1 PRESENTATION BY SALISH KOOTENAI COLLEGE SCHOOL OF ED FACULTY

Faculty members Ms. Amy Burland, and Mr. Doug Ruhman, from Salish Kootenai College School of Education updated the Council on the Teacher Preparation Program at the college and discussed the history of the program from conception to date. Student Lona Burns, a senior Education major, discussed her experiences at Salish Kootenai College with the Council.

ITEM 2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – Ms. Sharon Applegate

CSPAC 2013 Calendar – change on the July meeting date to July 17, 2013.

CSPAC Goals Revised – update (4) (c) to “5 year review” and (5) (c) remove diploma mills and (5) (d) take out last the portion referring to Race to the Top.

CSPAC Committees

Mr. Donovan discussed his proposal of a new Professional Practices Committee. Ms. Sharon Applegate requested Mr. Donovan write up this new committee and its responsibilities. The council will consider the approval of the committee in January and the By-Law revision will be an action item in April.

Mr. Donovan discussed the replacement of Ms. Patty Muir on the council. One application has been received and the Board will review and consider the approval of the new appointment to the council at the November meeting.

Review of By-Laws

Article IV(C) remove "It shall be delivered by mail to the last known address of each member".
Article V Section (B) (1) (c). Remove Montana Commission on Teaching Committee

ITEM 3 BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION REPORT - Mr. Pete Donovan

Items 3 and 4 were combined. Mr. Donovan discussed the office relocation, hiring of a new Part Time Administrative Assistant, Genii Skoog, upcoming conferences he is attending, and events he has been involved in since the July meeting.

ITEM 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Mr. Pete Donovan

See Item 3 above.

ITEM 5 CHAPTER 55 STANDARDS OF ACCREDITATION UPDATE – Dr. Linda Peterson

Dr. Peterson gave an update to the Council and passed out an FAQ regarding the new standards, changes, and revisions.

ITEM 6 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Draft Annual Report
- Review Code of Ethics
- Area of Specialized Permissive Competency-IEFA/Native American Studies
- Review of new Professional Practices Committee
- Review By-Law Revisions
- Update on School Staffing Project
- Senate Bill 329
- Class 4 Update
- Demonstration on how to access Bill/Legislature information
- Report from Western States Certification Conference

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 2:55

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