

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS & PRACTICES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY APRIL 25TH, 2014

*Board of Public Education Conference Room
46 N Last Chance Gulch
Helena, MT*

Starting at 9:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Chair Applegate.

Council members present included: Ms. Sharon Applegate – Chair; Ms. Tammy Lacey – Vice Chair; Mr. Don Reed; Ms. Janice Bishop; Dr. Cindy O’Dell; Ms. Jo Dell Beeler; Mr. Kelly Elder. Staff present: Mr. Pete Donovan, Executive Director Board of Public Education; Ms. Kris Stockton, Administrative Assistant. Guests present included: Dr. Linda Peterson, OPI; Ms. Elizabeth Keller, OPI; Ms. Ann Gilkey, OPI; Mr. Mike Miller, UM Western.

Chair Applegate read the Statement of Public Participation.

Ms. Tammy Lacey moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Kelly Elder.

No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Cindy O’Dell moved to approve the January 24th, 2014 Minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Ms. Tammy Lacey.

No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

****Items are listed in the order in which they are presented****

ITEM 1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – Ms. Sharon Applegate

Ms. Applegate announced that due to term limits this is her last meeting and that Council members should be thinking of Chair and Vice Chair elections which will be held at the July meeting. Ms. Applegate thanked the Council for their time and commitment and noted how much she has enjoyed her service on the Council. Mr. Donovan thanked Ms. Applegate for her service and Ms. Lacey also applauded Ms. Applegate for her service. Ms. Lacey also thanked Ms. Elizabeth Keller for her service in Licensure at the Office of Public Instruction and wished her well in her new endeavors in Oregon.

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

Mr. Donovan announced the upcoming Board of Education meeting in Great Falls May 8-9th, and that the Superintendent at the School for the Deaf and Blind has accepted a similar position in Iowa and will be leaving the school later this summer. Mr. Donovan announced also that the Board will be approving the CSPAC appointments at the May meeting. Dr. Cindy O’Dell and Ms. JoDell Beeler have applied for reappointment, and a new applicant has applied for the K-8 Teacher position currently held by Ms. Applegate.

ITEM 3 REVIEW OF TITLE 10 CHAPTER 57 ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA: UPDATE – Ann Gilkey, Tammy Lacey, Dr. Cindy O’Dell

Ms. Gilkey briefly reviewed the process to date for reviewing and revising the proposed changes to the Chapter 57 Administrative Rules. Ms. Gilkey reviewed and discussed the draft proposed timeline for the revision process. Discussion ensued on when the Council will be able to review the changes and how that could affect the proposed timeline. Discussion ensued surrounding the proposed timeline and how and when to meet together to review changes. It was decided to return to the discussion after the Chapter 58 presentation.

*****TIME CERTAIN AT 10:00 AM*****

ITEM 4 UPDATE ON EDUCATOR PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL SYSTEM (EPAS) – Steve York
Mr. York reviewed for the Council the progress being made on the Montana Educator Performance Appraisal System (EPAS). Mr. York discussed how other states are using evaluations and tying teacher performance to student achievement, and the different types of teacher evaluation systems currently in place across the country. Mr. York reviewed the model evaluation that has been designed for Montana, but noted that schools have the option to use the model if they wish, but they can also use one of their own. There is no requirement to use the designed model.

ITEM 5 REVIEW OF TITLE 10, CHAPTER 58 ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA: UPDATE – Dr. Linda Vrooman Peterson; Michael Hall, Director of Professional Learning and Technology Support; Patty Muir, Accreditation Program Specialist
Dr. Peterson introduced Ms. Patty Muir and Mr. Michael Hall to the Council members. Dr. Peterson briefly reviewed the revision of Chapter 58 to date, and then Ms. Muir and Mr. Hall gave a comprehensive review of the revision of the Program Standards. Dr. Peterson discussed the 2 new content areas of Early Childhood Education age 3 through grade 3, and Middle Grades grade 4 through grade 8. Dr. O’Dell discussed how the Early Childhood portion was developed, members of the group who provided input, and how the program has grown. Discussion then took place on how to meet to review the Chapter 57 and Chapter 58 changes.

Ms. Tammy Lacey moved to add a day to the July meeting and to meet on Tuesday July 15th, 2014 to review Chapter 57 and Chapter 58 changes, but that no recommendation will be made to the Board at that time. Motion seconded by Mr. Kelly Elder.

No discussion. Motion passed unanimously

ITEM 6 CLASS 8 LICENSE APPLICATIONS – Elizabeth Keller
Ten Class 8 License applications were reviewed by the Council. 9 applications were approved. 1 application was returned.

ITEM 7 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES BROCHURE – Tammy Lacey
Ms. Lacey presented new information from NASDTEC that a national group is being gathered to develop a national standard model for a Code of Educator Ethics.

Ms. Tammy Lacey moved to table this item until the National Code of Educator Ethics is complete. Motion seconded by Mr. Kelly Elder.

No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 8 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment.

ADJOURN
Meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.

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