

# CERTIFICATION STANDARDS & PRACTICES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2014

*Board Conference Room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
46 N. Last Chance Gulch  
Helena, Montana 59601*

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 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. Absent: 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. Marco Ferro, MEA-MFT; Dr. Neil Moisey, OCHE; Mr. Mike Miller, UM Western.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

*Ms. Tammy Lacey moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Dr. Cindy O’Dell.*

*No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.*

## MINUTES APPROVAL

*Ms. Tammy Lacey moved to approve the minutes as presented in the agenda packet. Motion seconded by Mr. Don Reed.*

*Discussion by Dr. O’Dell. Motion passed unanimously.*

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

### **ITEM 1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – Ms. Sharon Applegate**

Chair Applegate announced that due to “term limits” this will be her last term. Mr. Donovan noted that in addition to Chair Applegate’s position, both Dr. O’Dell and Ms. Beeler’s positions are up for reappointment. Mr. Donovan discussed the reapplication process with approval to be brought before the Board of Public Education at their May 2014 meeting.

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

Mr. Donovan introduced Dr. Neil Moisey, Deputy Commissioner for the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education and welcomed him to the meeting. Mr. Donovan discussed recent meetings he has attended including his presentation on the Montana Content Standards for Mathematics and English Language Arts at the Board of Regents meeting in December, his attendance at the December 2013 Education and Local Government Interim Committee meeting, Dual Enrollment Task Force meetings, a meeting with Senator Lew Jones regarding Economics Education, OPI’s Assessment Conference, and meetings regarding HJR14 for Financial Literacy for a graduation requirement. Discussion ensued regarding making financial literacy a graduation requirement in schools and how that could be made possible. Mr. Donovan reviewed upcoming meetings and conferences he will be attending in the coming months. Mr. Donovan and Ms. Bishop discussed some of the anti-Common Core meetings around the state, one of which Ms. Bishop attended in Missoula.

**ITEM 3 REVIEW OF CLASS 8 LICENSE APPLICATIONS – Elizabeth Keller**

The council reviewed five Class 8 applications. The Council approved all five applications.

**ITEM 7 DUAL ENROLLMENT AND CLASS 8 LICENSURE – Pete Donovan**

Mr. Donovan updated the Council on the Dual Enrollment Task Force and then turned the item over to Dr. Moisey for a background of the group and what they have been working on. Discussion ensued on how teachers or schools are incentivized to teach or offer Dual Enrollment courses, how to include the Tribal Colleges, and the need to not lower the standards. A separate discussion took place regarding the application itself, the possibility of streamlining the application. The Council expressed their concerns with changing the application or process.

**ITEM 4 REVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA CHAPTER 57 – Ann Gilkey, Elizabeth Keller**

Ms. Gilkey presented the Council with a brief overview of the review process and revision of the Chapter 57 rules. The revisions have been sent to Superintendent Juneau for her review. Ms. Gilkey mentioned that the Superintendent is particularly interested in Areas of Special Permissive Competency and in Special Education. Ms. Gilkey asked for Council members to consider 2 members to be on the review committee. Ms. Tammy Lacey volunteered as 1 member.

**ITEM 5 UPDATE ON CHAPTER 58 REVISION AND TIMELINE – Dr. Linda Peterson**

Dr. Peterson reviewed the proposed timeline for the revision. 3 separate panels are being worked on: 1) Unit Standards, 2) Program Standards, 3) Chapter 58 Review Panel. Dr. Peterson hopes to convene the Review Board Panel in April. Dr. Peterson added her request for 2 volunteers for the Chapter 58 review process. Dr. O'Dell volunteered.

**ITEM 6 UPDATE ON EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS – Dr. Linda Peterson**

Dr. Peterson updated the council on the conclusion of the 2008-2013 review cycle and discussed the new review cycle that goes through 2020. Dr. Peterson noted the 2 universities that are up for review in the next two years. Dr. Peterson briefly discussed the increased numbers in students enrolled in Educator Preparation Programs and the numbers of completers of those programs; both which have increased.

**ITEM 8 ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITIES PROJECT DISCUSSION – Tammy Lacey**

Ms. Lacey discussed her idea of having a program for teachers to help them understand their responsibilities of being a public employee. Ms. Lacey discussed some of the issues she has encountered in the Great Falls Public School District, state laws that discuss responsibilities and duties of public employees, and brainstormed ideas of areas of concern. Ms. Gilkey discussed a module OPI used that was put together by the Department of Administration. Ms. Gilkey will track down the product and bring it to the Council for consideration.

**ITEM 9 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Continuation of the Ethical Responsibilities  
Class 8 discussion – model application

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Mike Miller, UM Western, introduced himself. No other public comment.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 12:36 PM.

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