

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS & PRACTICES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6TH, 2015

*Board of Public Education Conference Room
46 N Last Chance Gulch, Suite 2B
Helena, Montana*

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Tammy Lacey called the meeting to order at: 9:00 AM. Ms. Lacey read the Statement of Public Participation and welcomed guests.

Council members attending included: Ms. Tammy Lacey-Chair; Dr. Cindy O'Dell, Vice-Chair; Ms. Leanne Yenny; Mr. Kelly Elder; Ms. Janice Bishop; Ms. JoDell Beeler. Staff present included: Mr. Pete Donovan, Executive Director Board of Public Education; Ms. Genii Skoog, Administrative Assistant. Guests present included: Ms. Sue Mohr, OPI; Ms. Patty Muir, OPI; Ms. Ann Gilkey, OPI; Ms. Shannon Koenig, OPI; Mr. Le Gaub, Troops to Teachers; Ms. Beverly Richardson, Troops to Teachers; Mr. Gordon Ronrude, Troops to Teachers.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Ms. JoDell Beeler moved to approve the agenda as presented. Dr. Cindy O'Dell seconded the motion.

No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2014 MINUTES

Ms. JoDell Beeler moved to approve the October 2014 minutes as presented. Dr. Cindy O'Dell seconded motion.

No discussion. Minutes approved unanimously.

Ms. Lacey requested updated goals be sent out.

ITEM 1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – Ms. Tammy Lacey

Ms. Lacey shared with the council that Mr. Don Reed sent an email this morning stating that he will be resigning due to health issues effective immediately. CSPAC has requested that a card be sent to Mr. Reed on behalf of the council. Ms. Lacey reminded the council that CSPAC is a public entity open meeting laws should be followed.. Ms. Lacey shared a short presentation on open meeting laws. Ms. Lacey thanked Mr. Donovan for the weekly updates.

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

- **2015 Legislative Update-** Mr. Donovan updated the council on bills currently before the legislature. Mr. Donovan reported that Boards budget report to the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Education went well. A request was made by the Board to fund Agency Legal Services. The joint committee has recommended this to the Appropriations committee as well.

ITEM 3 UPDATE MONTANA NEW TEACHER INDUCTION PROJECT – Patty Muir

Ms. Muir reported on the implementation of mentoring opportunities for school districts to kick start new mentoring programs or to tweak already existing programs. E-mentoring programs are in place, Induction Institutes for leadership teams including Administrative representatives and seasoned teachers in each district, placed in 3

areas around Montana, Billings, Great Falls and Missoula. Professional Development workshops focused on specific training needs. Webinars will be offered to follow up with these mentors to make sure they are on track.

ITEM 4 STATE EQUITY PLAN PROCESS – Dr. Linda Peterson

Ms. Sue Mohr discussed the State Equity Plan Process which is to ensure equitable access for qualified teachers teaching students across the state. OPI has requested that CSPAC would look this over and offer insight. Either Dr. Linda Peterson or Ms. Sue Mohr will come back to a future meeting to review the final draft with CSPAC.

ITEM 5 UPDATE ON TROOPS TO TEACHERS – Le Gaub

Mr. Le Gaub, regional manager for Troops to Teachers, spoke to the Council about Troops for Teachers, sharing the background of the organization, and how the program functions in Montana. Ms. Beverly Richardson and Mr. Gordon Ronrude from Troops to Teachers were also in attendance.

ITEM 6 CLASS 8 LICENSE APPLICATIONS – Shannon Koenig

Four class 8 license applications were reviewed by the council. Two applications were approved by the Council; two were tabled due to incomplete applications. Ms. Koenig asked the Council if they would like her to preview the application to make sure they are complete before presenting to the Council, the Council agreed this would be helpful.

ITEM 7 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Early Edge
New Chapter 57 rules
Draft of new class 8 form
State Equity Plan
Legislative update
Code of Ethics report from the Professional Practices Committee

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Ann Gilkey requested a conference call with CSPAC regarding the Chapter 57 rule changes. Ms. Lacey recommended a conference call for February 19th at 3:30pm. Ms. Lacey requested that line numbers be added to the Chapter 57 document for the conference call to make discussion easier.

Dr. O'Dell asked about the National Code of Ethics email the Council received from Ms. Gilkey. Ms. Gilkey stated that it is informational at this time. Ms. Lacey recommended that this would be an appropriate task for the Professional Practices committee. This committee will meet and report back at the next meeting.

Ms. LeAnne Yenny moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. JoDell Beeler seconded the motion.

No comments. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 11:49 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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