

**BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

January 6-7<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
Capitol Building Room 152  
Helena, MT

**Monday January 6, 2014**  
**10:00 AM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 AM on Monday January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 by Chair Carroll.

Board members present included: Ms. Sharon Carroll – Chair; Mr. Bernie Olson – Vice Chair; Ms. Erin Williams, Ms. Lila Taylor; Ms. Patty Myers; Mr. Paul Andersen. Absent: Mr. John Edwards. Ex-officio members included: Dr. Neil Moisey, Commissioner of Higher Education Office; Superintendent of Public Instruction Denise Juneau, Dr. Shannon O'Brien, Governor's Office. Staff included: Mr. Pete Donovan, Executive Director; Ms. Kris Stockton, Administrative Assistant. Guests included: Dr. Kirk Miller, SAM; Dr. Linda Peterson, OPI; Mr. Dennis Parman, OPI; Ms. Donell Rosenthal, OPI; Ms. Nancy Coppersmith, OPI; Ms. Madalyn Quinlan, OPI; Ms. Dawn Bishop Moore, MACIE; Ms. Norma Bixby, MACIE; Mr. John Bercier, MACIE; Mr. Pat Schlaugh, Student Assistance Foundation; Ms. Ann Gilkey, OPI; Ms. Patty Muir, OPI; Ms. Donelle Rosenthal, OPI; Mr. Eric Feaver, MEA-MFT; Mr. Marco Ferro, MEA-MFT; Ms. Nancy Hall, Governor's Office of Budget & Program Planning; Mr. Tim Ravndal, Townsend; Ms. Gina Satterfield, Helena; Ms. Debra Lamm, Livingston; Ms. Diana Brown, Helena; Mr. Brandon Brown, Helena.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Tim Ravndal, Townsend, gave public comment regarding his opposition to the Common Core. Ms. Gina Satterfield, Helena, gave public comment regarding her opposition to the Common Core and discussed a signed petition sent to Attorney General Tim Fox. Dr. Kirk Miller representing School Administrators of Montana gave his thanks to Ms. Patty Myers as the outgoing Board member, for her 14 years of service to the children of Montana. Chair Carroll also thanked Ms. Myers and presented her with a gift for her service. Dr. Linda Peterson, OPI, also thanked Ms. Myers for all her service on the Board.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent agenda was approved as presented.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

Item 7 will be moved to after Item 12 so that Superintendent Gettel can be present for the MSDB report and action on his contract extension.

**Ms. Patty Myers moved to adopt the agenda as corrected. Mr. Bernie Olson seconded the motion.**

***No discussion. Agenda adopted unanimously.***

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

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

❖ **REPORTS – Sharon Carroll (Items 1-6)**



**Item 6**                                 **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT**  
**Charity Ratliff**

Ms. Ratliff discussed new efforts to end bullying and creating safe environments in school for students, and to help students understand differences and acceptance of others.

Ms. Myers updated the Board on some of the past student representatives to the Board.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

❖ **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Sharon Carroll (Item 8)**

**Item 8**                                 **PUPIL TRANSPORTATION REPORT**

Ms. Rosenthal gave the Board the annual report on pupil transportation from OPI. An overview of the guidelines for pupil transportation eligibility, reimbursement, and routes was reviewed.

❖ **LICENSURE COMMITTEE – Lila Taylor (Items 9-10)**

**Item 9**                                 **EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM REPORT**  
**Dr. Linda Peterson**

Dr. Peterson introduced Ms. Patty Muir as the new Accreditation Specialist at OPI. Dr. Peterson then gave an overview of the review cycle of the 9 Educator Preparation Programs in Montana and the schedule for the next review cycle as well as reviewing the approved programs for each institution. Chair Carroll commented that Early Childhood is an Area of Specialized Permissive Competency and as the state moves forward with an emphasis on Early Childhood it will need to evaluate the credentials for Early Childhood Education.

**Item 10**                                **REVIEW OF ARM TITLE 10, CHAPTER 57**  
**Dennis Parman**

Mr. Parman discussed the beginning of the review process of Chapter 57 that the OPI has begun. An initial report has been made to the Superintendent. A timeline is not yet available but a recommendation to the Board should be made this calendar year. A main area of concern to be looked at is licensure denials. Mr. Parman hopes to have a timeline to present to the Board at the March 2014 meeting.

Break for lunch at 12:07.

Meeting reconvened at 1:09.

❖ **ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE – Bernie Olson (Item 11)**

**Item 11**                                **ACCREDITATION PROCESS UPDATE ON ANNUAL DATA COLLECTION**  
**Teri Wing**

Ms. Wing gave a presentation on TEAMS (Terms of Employment, Accreditation, and Master Schedule). TEAMS replaces the old Annual Data Collection. Ms. Wing reviewed the differences between TEAMS and the ADC, and highlighted many new elements which were a requirement from SB 342.

❖ **ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE – Paul Andersen (Item 12)**

**Item 12**                                **PREPARATIONS FOR THE SMARTER BALANCED ASSESSMENT**  
**Dennis Parman**

Mr. Parman discussed the Smarter Balanced Assessment preparations in particular the hardware requirements schools will need to administer the testing to help determine who needs help. The results are good. Most schools are prepared for the new assessments and for those who are not ready, OPI is reaching out to them to assist them in their preparations.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

### Item 5 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORT Shannon O'Brien

Ms. O'Brien discussed some projects she and the Governor are working on including Early Childhood, Graduation Matters, Dual Enrollment, College completion, and the Veteran's Success Initiative.

## ACTION

### PUBLIC COMMENT

*The public was afforded the opportunity to comment before the Board on every action item on the agenda prior to final Board action.*

#### ❖ LICENSURE COMMITTEE – Lila Taylor (Items 14)

### Item 14 ACTION TO EXTEND THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA CHAPTER 58 PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM STANDARDS FROM JANUARY 31, 2014 TO JANUARY 31, 2015 Dr. Linda Peterson

Dr. Peterson reviewed the process for reviewing the Professional Educator Programs and requested an extension of the timeline to review those standards from January 31, 2014 to January 31, 2015.

**Ms. Lila Taylor moved to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of the 2014 timeline for the revision of the Administrative Rules of Montana Chapter 58 Professional Educator Preparation Program Standards. Mr. Bernie Olson seconded the motion.**

***Discussion on the cost of the review and changes. Motion passed unanimously.***

#### ❖ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Sharon Carroll (Item 16)

### Item 16 CRITICAL QUALITY EDUCATOR SHORTAGE REPORT Madalyn Quinlan

Ms. Quinlan reviewed the annual report to the Board identifying the Critical areas of Educator shortages. The Board must approve the report for the Commissioner's Office to disburse the funds for the Loan Repayment for teachers in the shortage areas. Ms. Quinlan reviewed the process for identifying the schools/districts and the areas for the shortages for teachers to be eligible.

**Mr. Bernie Olson moved to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Critical Quality Educator Shortage Report. Ms. Patty Myers seconded the motion.**

***Ms. Myers asked if UM Speech Pathology program had alleviated any of the shortages in speech pathology. Motion passed unanimously.***

## INFORMATION ITEM

#### ❖ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Sharon Carroll (Item 13)

### Item 13 BUS DRIVER QUALIFICATIONS RULE AMENDMENT Ann Gilkey

Ms. Gilkey reviewed the rule amendments as a result of the Legislative Audit review of Pupil Transportation, and reviewed the recommendations from the audit. Ms. Gilkey also reviewed the existing rules and the proposed changes to the rules.

## DISCUSSION ITEM

### ❖ MACIE LIAISON – Sharon Carroll (Item 18)

#### Item 18                   MACIE UPDATE                                   Sandra Boham

Ms. Boham updated the Board on the MACIE meeting which took place during the morning including Indian Education for All Education Grants, results of the American Indian Achievement report. Ms. Boham announced that she will be moving to Salish Kootenai College as the Vice President of Academic Affairs, and announced Mr. John Bercier as the new President of MACIE.

#### ACTION

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

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#### APPROVE MACIE NOMINATION

- Melody Henry

Action postponed to the March 2014 meeting.

#### ACTION

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

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### ❖ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Sharon Carroll (Item 17)

#### Item 17                   RECOMMENDATION OF DIGITAL ACADEMY BOARD APPOINTEE                                   Dennis Parman

Superintendent Juneau recommended the approval of Mr. Anthony Lapke to the Montana Digital Academy Board.

**Mr. Paul Andersen moved to approve Mr. Anthony Lapke to the Montana Digital Academy Board. Ms. Erin Williams seconded the motion.**

***No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.***

### ❖ LICENSURE COMMITTEE – Lila Taylor (Items 15)

#### Item 15                   ACTION ON EDUCATION LICENSE APPLICATION DENIAL, BPE CASE                                   #2013-04                                   Katherine Orr

Ms. Orr explained the review process to the Board. Ms. Elizabeth Keller reviewed the reasons for the licensure denial to the Board. Ms. Orr explained ARM 10.57.604(e) to the Board to review the denial and

take action. Question from Ms. Taylor to deny the license application or the appeal? Ms. Orr answered the application

**Ms. Lila Taylor moved to deny the license application for BPE case #2013-04. Ms. Patty Myers seconded the motion.**

***No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.***

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Debra Lamm, Livingston, gave public comment. Ms. Lamm reviewed her education background for the Board. Ms. Lamm discussed with the Board her concerns regarding Common Core and the Smarter Balanced Assessments. Ms. Lamm also asked how to get on the agenda and if there could be an item on the March meeting agenda.

#### **❖ MSDB LIAISON - Lila Taylor (Item 7)**

#### **Item 7 MSDB REPORT Lila Taylor**

Ms. Lila Taylor and Superintendent Steve Gettel gave the MSDB update to the Board. Transportation issues were discussed.

#### **ACTION**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

***The public was afforded the opportunity to comment before the Board on every action item on the agenda prior to final Board action.***

#### **APPROVE MSDB SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT**

**Ms. Patty Myers moved to approve the proposed contract of employment for the Superintendent for the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015. Mr. Bernie Olson seconded the motion.**

***No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.***

Ms. Myers took a few moments to review her service on the Board and the accomplishments made during her tenure.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS March 13-14, 2014**

*CSPAC Appointments*

*BASE Aid Payment Schedule*

*Assessment Update*

*Alternative to Standards Requests & Renewals*

*MACIE Update*

*Federal Update*

*Accreditation Report*

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM on Monday January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

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