

Teaching and School Administration Professional Standards Advisory Board

It is the mission of the Teaching and School Administration Professional Standards Advisory Board to promote excellence in the education profession and develop and review professional standards to ensure quality preparation and continued professional growth experiences.

Kansas State Department of Education

120 SE 10th Avenue, Topeka, KS

OFFICIAL MINUTES

April 19, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Rick Henry, Chair.

2. Roll call

Present: Donna Bagley, Ralph Beacham, Michele Bolin, Rick Ginsberg, Rick Henry, Laura Kaiser, Tim Knoles, Kathy Martin, Lori Martin, Bill Meek, Lory Mills, Alice Morris, David Myers, Denise O’Dea, Michele Perez, Linda Stecher, Kate Thompson

Absent: Nick Compagnone, Connie Foster, Sharon Klose, Diane Roberts, Casey Seyfert

KNEA: Peg Dunlap

KSDE: Pamela Coleman, Susan Helbert, TJ Boeckman

Chair Henry asked members to introduce themselves and share how they communicate with their constituencies.

3. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus with the addition of the following items:

IV. H. Discussion on goals and values

IV. I. Regulations update (moved from item II. Old Business, to allow more time for presentation from Educational Testing Service, Dr. Cory Murphy, Client Service Director assigned to Kansas.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: It was M/S (Mills/Knoles) to approve the minutes of February 15, 2010, with the correction of adding Michele Bolin as participating in the February 15 meeting conference call. Motion carried.

5. Citizens open forum

There was no one present for the Citizens Open Forum.

6. Old Business

Professional Development Audit taskforce preliminary report for State Board

Lynn Bechtel reported that representatives from eleven groups of stakeholders were brought together to look at professional development in Kansas. The taskforce members reviewed everything from how the professional development councils function to statutes relating to professional development. The taskforce has met five times and has developed eight recommendations. These recommendations were reviewed and clarified at the last meeting held on April 16. The recommendations will be presented to the State Board of Education at their May meeting with anticipated action by the State Board in June.

7. New Business

Set cut scores for revised content tests

Cory Murphy of Educational Testing Service conducted a Praxis score setting session. He reviewed with the board members the areas of business education; Special Education: Core knowledge and mild to moderate applications; Special Education severe to profound; Spanish world language; German; and French. After much discussion on setting the cut scores for the Praxis test for six subject areas, the following motions were made and voted on:

Motion: It was M/S (Knoles/Meek) to set the Praxis test cut score in the area of Business Education (0101) at 150. Motion carried.

Motion: It was M/S (Beacham/Stecher) to set the Praxis test cut score in the area of Special Education: Core Knowledge and Mild to Moderate Applications (0543) at 155. Motion carried.

Motion: It was M/S (L. Martin/Meyers) to set the Praxis test cut score in the area of Special Education: Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications (0545) at 155. Motion carried.

Motion: It was M/S (O'Dea/Bolin) to set the Praxis test cut score in the area of Spanish: World Language (0195) at 165.

Motion: It was M/S (Perez/Mills) to set the Praxis test cut score in the area of German: World Language (0183) at 160.

Motion: It was M/S (Mills/Perez) to set the Praxis test cut score in the area of French: World Language (0174) at 159.

8. Lunch

The Board took a lunch break from 12:00 – 12:30. The meeting resumed at 12:35PM.

9. Standing Committee Reports

Executive Committee

Chair Henry reported that the Executive Committee met at 9:30 this morning. Today's meeting agenda was reviewed and recommendations to add new agenda item IV.H. Goals and Values, and moving agenda item II. Regulations update, under Item IV. I, were recommended. The Goals and Values will be discussed more at our June meeting. Election of Officers will be on the June meeting agenda as well. He also stated that members will be given an assignment at the end of today's meeting.

State Board of Education Report

Mrs. Martin reported that the State Board met on April 13 and 14. One action taken at the meeting was to not pursue the Race to the Top grant. The State Board discussed the ESEA reauthorization as well as the common core standards. Presentations on the Integration of Career and Technical Education were heard. Representatives of the virtual schools committee also gave a report.

TEAL Leadership Report

Pamela Coleman reported that the first meeting with the Kansas Learning Network (KLN) schools is set for June 4 to discuss the development of evaluation instruments for superintendents, principals and teachers. The pilot of the evidence-centered assessment that will accompany the endorsement of the teacher leader is set for late June. Over 200 persons have qualified to participate in the pilot assessment. The teacher leader endorsement will be printed directly on the teacher license. The TEAL office is again holding licensure fairs across the state. Four sites have been selected on the following dates: Olathe, May 21; Wichita, May 27; Colby, June 3; Manhattan, June 7. Pamela also reported that by the end of summer, every county in the state will have fingerprinting capability. This allows school districts to use live scan, therefore licenses will be processed in a more timely manner. Online printing of licenses is anticipated to be available in 2011.

Susan Helbert reported that the TEAL office is on track with issuing licenses. Approximately 22,000 will be issued this year. Spring graduates have yet to submit their paperwork. The committee working on

the Initial to the Professional License has been meeting. Following the next meeting of the committee in May, a framework with general recommendations will be proposed for the Standards Board to review. The IT office is currently working on updates to the "License Look-up" link on the TEAL website. A public look-up site is being proposed that will include information on the validity of the license and subject areas the licensee can teach.

Regulations Committee

Alice Morris stated that the Regulations Committee did not meet therefore there is nothing to report.

Evaluation Review Committee

Chair Henry reported that the committee met April 15. Baker University Accreditation and Friends University New Program Biology were reviewed.

Licensure Review Committee

Diana Stephan reported that the committee had met in early April. The committee expects to see more appeals regarding alternative programs at the June meeting. A recent change that has been positive is that individuals are asked to bring a plan of study to the personal appearance meeting. This is helpful to both the committee and individual applicant.

Policies and Procedures Committee

Linda Stecher reported that the committee had met via conference call in February, did not meet in April, but will be meeting face to face in June. The committee has been working on edits to the program approval handbook.

Goals and Values

Chair Henry asked the committee members to review the goals and values and to bring back to the June meeting suggestions and/or recommendations for revisions. The revised goals and values will be adopted at the June meeting for the 2010-2011 meeting year.

Regulations Update

Susan Helbert reported that in the last three years there have been many regulations updates. The Regulations Committee will be working on amending existing regulations with several major revisions possible at a later date. Some of the amendments to be discussed include: 1) restricted teaching license, 2) transitional license that was implemented in 2009, 3) interim license for out of state alternative pathways, 4) direct entry school counselor, 5) accreditation and program regulations to make a timeline/date change, 6) name change for history/government, 7) required fingerprint check every five (5) years for professional license renewal.

10. Agenda items for next meeting

- Goals and Values
- Election of Officers
- Appointments and Reappointments

11. Adjournment

It was agreed, by consensus, to adjourn the meeting at 1:15pm.

Calendar – future PSB meeting dates:

- **June 14, 2010 – KSDE Board Room/ITV Room**
- **September 13, 2010 – meeting location to be determined**
- **November 15, 2010 – meeting location to be determined**