

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

OFFICIAL MINUTES

February 20, 2014 10:00 a.m.

KSDE, Landon State Office Building, Room 107, Adobe Connect Webinar/Conference Call

1. Call meeting to order

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

2. Roll call

Attending: Shelley Addis, Ralph Beacham, Monte Couchman, Paul Erickson, Jonathan Goering, Laura Kaiser, Gwen Landever, Deb Mercer, David Myers, Denise O’Dea, Fred Patton, Michele Perez, Rudy Perez, Kate Thompson, Kathy Wagoner, Mike Wilson

Absent: Adam Bancroft, Nick Compagnone, Amy Compton, Deb Mohler

KSDE: Scott Myers, Susan Helbert, Nikk Nelson, Sungti Hsu, Jenna Cook, TJ Boeckman

KNEA: Idalia Shuman

KSBE: Steve Roberts

3. Approval of the agenda

Motion: It was M/S (R. Perez/Wagoner) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

4. Approval of minutes from December 5

Motion: It was M/S (Goering/Patton) to approve the minutes from December 5. Motion carried.

5. Open forum

No one was available to speak at the open forum.

6. Professional Standards Board Powers and Duties

Scott Myers referred members to Article V. I. c and d of the Professional Standards Board bylaws that relate to Powers and Duties.

c. Recommend standards for renewal of licenses for school teachers, administrators, and other school personnel.

Susan Helbert noted that 91-1-205 was the regulation dealing with renewal of all licenses. Although no current amendments related to renewal are proposed, the next set of regulations will impact this regulation.

d. Recommend rules and regulations concerning suspension and revocation of licenses.

Susan Helbert briefly reviewed the regulation 91-1-214 that is currently going through the approval process. The regulation for the new fingerprint requirement went to the State Board at their February 2014 meeting as an information item to start the legal process. The board will act on moving the regulations forward at the March board meeting. The regulation amendments will require educators who have never submitted a fingerprint card to do so with their next renewal. This will allow all educators to be enrolled in

the RapBack program. The Professional Practices Commission is reviewing regulations and will incorporate as needed amendments based on the Kansas Educator Code of Conduct. Clarification was given that the amended regulation would require all educators will be fingerprinted one time and will not need to be fingerprinted again unless the license expires. Jonathan Goering asked for clarification on fingerprinting accessibility. Susan will talk with Scott Gordon, KSDE staff attorney, and get clarification regarding this issue. Susan completed her briefing by explaining the process a regulation moves through from the beginning of when the Regulations Committee writes the regulation, to all the approvals, public hearing and publication.

7. Route to Teaching/Regulations Update

Steve Roberts was unavailable by phone to present. His item will be carried over to the April meeting.

Susan Helbert provided slides summarizing the regulations currently up for amendments. Susan noted where additional input following the last PSB meeting resulted in adjustments to the regulatory language. Additional information on mentoring guidelines was provided. A copy of the full draft regulations being reviewed by KSDE legal services was provided for members to download so that they may review the entire set of draft regulations. It is anticipated that the regulations will be on the April State Board agenda as an information item to start the legal process for review.

8. Old Business

LEA/IHE Partnership – Sungti Hsu reported that the committee is comprised of six superintendents and six building principals. Teacher Licensure and Accreditation (TLA) staff include Scott Myers, Susan Helbert, Sungti Hsu, Nikk Nelson and Vicki Seeger. The committee met on February 17 with approx. 17 in attendance. Topics included clinical experience, memorandum of understanding between the IHEs and LEAs, experiences for the teacher candidate, who should be involved at the IHE and local level. There was discussion on partnership experiences, setting goals and sharing success stories. Also discussed was how to strengthen partnerships, experiences with diversity, ESL, culture, producing a set of standards, what teacher educators need to prepare new teachers, and teacher mentoring. Future meetings will explore setting goals and setting measurement standards.

Denise O’Dea asked if the committee had discussed the minimal monetary amount paid to the cooperating (mentoring) teachers. Sungti responded that the committee is aware of this issue.

KPTP (candidate work samples)- Nikk Nelson reported that Fort Hays State University has voted to adopt the KPTP for the fall of 2014. The newly formed Teacher Work Sample Committee composed of Deans from the higher education institutions met recently and discussed preliminary guidelines. The next meeting of this committee will be February 21 at KSDE.

Professional Development Schools (PDS)-Sungti Hsu reported that there are P-12 schools and institutions of higher education that comprise the PDS Coalition. Dr. Janice Ewing from Wichita State University is the president of the Coalition and is assisting the Kansas Department of Education with the higher education institutions and local school districts partnership committee. The Coalition next meets in April.

Professional Continuum-Susan Helbert presented a brief summary regarding the work of the PD Task Force, their recommendations approved by the State Board and subsequent work towards operationalizing the recommendations. This framework will be presented in more detail at the April PSB meeting as the initial steps towards operationalizing the recommendations.

9. Standing Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Ralph Beacham reported that the Executive Committee met earlier this morning and reviewed and approved the agenda.

State Board of Education Report – No report given.

TLA Leadership – Scott Myers reported that the TLA team works in the areas of Teacher Leader, IHEs, Kansas Educator Evaluation Protocol (KEEP), Dropouts, Professional Learning, Kansas Volunteer Commission, accreditation, licensure and regulations. We continue to work on the KSDE waiver and have asked the federal government for an extension of time. More information about KEEP is available on the Teacher Licensure and Accreditation website <http://community.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=4400>

Regulations Committee – Susan reported earlier under Items II and III.

Evaluation Review Committee – Ralph reported that the committee had planned to meet via conference call earlier in February, however there were not enough members available for the call to have a quorum. A survey was set up to review the items from the conference call. Responses are still pending at this time.

Licensure Review Committee – Jenna reported that the February meeting was a one day meeting with seven new cases. The April meeting will also be a one day meeting.

Policies and Procedures Committee – Sungti reported the committee met in January and worked on the accreditation regulations 91-1-70a and 91-1-203 and 91-1-231.

10. Adjournment

Motion: It was M/S (Wagoner/Addis) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

11. Next meeting date: April 17, Landon State Office Building, Room 102. If you have agenda items, please send to Scott at this address: smyers@ksde.org

12. Agenda items for next meeting

- Route To Teaching (carryover from February meeting)
- Professional Standards Board Powers/Duties

13. Future meeting dates: June 19, 2014.

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