

**Home Education Advisory Council
Minutes—December 14, 2010**

Chairman Abbey Lawrence called the regular meeting of the Home Education Advisory Council to order at 3:40 p.m. in Room 12 of Londergan Hall in Concord, New Hampshire.

Members Present: Mike Benik, Marc Boyd, Barrett Christina, Michael Compitello, George D’Orazio, Chris Hamilton, Paul Ingbretson, Abbey Lawrence, Keith Pfeifer, and Dennis Wyman.

Visitors present: Charles Annal, Ph.D., CCSNH Vice Chancellor; Elizabeth Foy, CCSNH eStart Coordinator; and Jane Grady.

Minutes: The Council approved November 9, 2010 meeting minutes by general consent.

Chairman’s Report:

CCSNH/eStart/VLACS: Abbey invited Charles Annal and Elizabeth Foy from the Community College System of New Hampshire to attend the December Council meeting for a presentation of the CCSNH eStart program. They distributed handouts and talked about the eStart resources available to New Hampshire high school students. They also discussed ways to serve homeschoolers. They reported a few cases in which homeschoolers were interested in taking high school or college level courses through eStart even though they were several years younger than students enrolled in public or private high schools. The eStart/VLACS policy is to restrict homeschooler enrollment in eStart programs to students who are at least fifteen years old, with the provision that eStart instructors may waive the age requirement on a case-by-case basis.

HSLDA Webinar: Abbey reported on the December 9, 2010 HSLDA webinar.

DOE Report: There was no DOE report.

Legislative Report: Chris Hamilton submitted a written legislative report.

Unfinished Business:

ED 315: The Ed 315 revision subcommittee had no new information on the rules revision. They reported that they would be meeting briefly after this Council meeting.

New Business:

VLACS: Keith Pfeifer will invite VLACS representatives to a Council meeting to hear about VLACS resources available to homeschoolers.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Grady

Corrections approved at the January 2011 meeting:

--Visitors included Linda D’Orazio.

--Under minutes, it should be noted that the November minutes were approved with the note that under Old Business Mike should be identified as Mike Compitello.