

**Minutes – WORKING COPY May 2017  
COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION**

Approved

**May 18, 2017**

**Room 15 Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street, Concord**

**In attendance**

Liz Alexakos, Stephen Bigaj, Megan Birch, Suzanne Canali, Nicole Canney, Carolyn Cormier, Mike Fournier, Frank Hoell, Diane Monico, Kelly Moore Dunn, Alana Mosley, Laura Thomas, Chris Ward, Laura Wasielewski  
NHDOE Staff: Nicole Heimarck, Virginia Clifford, Marie Blanchard

**GUEST**

Becky Berk, Executive Director, Breakthrough Manchester

This program has been in operation for 25 years. They hire college students from around the U.S. The goal of Becky's visit today is to have more NH students working for the program, and create partnerships with NH Colleges for more intentional recruitment as well as possible program expansion to Nashua. The program participants are pupils from Manchester Jr. High schools. Participants attend the program for 3 summers free of charge. The staff receives a small stipend for the summer and may also be eligible for scholarships. Contact Becky to shadow your program and to involve your institution's candidates. Business cards were provided to membership.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A few minutes were given to review the April, 2017 Draft CTE Minutes. Corrections to the attendance were noted, and minutes were passed with corrections.

**DOE Report and Updates**

**Ethics Update**

Draft copy in handouts. The draft code went before the State Board in May for a soft reading. The enabled legislation was signed by Governor Sununu and will take effect June 24, 2017. The commissioner's taskforce will be meeting later in May. Work will continue to clarify the difference between "misconduct & ethics". The language is likely to stay the same, and issues of enforcement will go through Code of Conduct. Discussion regarding revocation of license followed. The legislature feels that the Code of Ethics should apply only to licensed educators, and it was mentioned that other professionals who work in a school such as school counselors have their own Codes of Conduct.

**PSB (professional standards board)**

Ginny Clifford reported they are preparing to wrap up the year. There are 4 proposals on the state board agenda for June. PSB is working very hard to stay ahead of expiration dates. They are also working on a pathway for school nurses.

**Principal pipeline**

The planning team is working on data before it rolls out information to a larger stakeholder group. Information is being updated. It will be important to get superintendents involved. The team is also working to develop and implement a principal survey. It was asked who is working on this group. Currently it is a small planning team representing several different areas of education. When the group gets organized a call will go out to create a larger stakeholders group. This will likely happen in fall 2017.

**New program approval process**

Ed 602:08 There are currently 3 program changes in the queue and 2 new programs being proposed. The old process had many steps including a site visit and took months of follow up to complete. In an effort to steam-line the process a proposal would be sent to CTE members 2 weeks before a meeting, and the proposal would be discussed and voted on during the next CTE meeting. The vote would allow for one of 3 outcomes. They are 1, program approval 2, request a 1 day visit 3, non-approval. Several scenarios were discussed. It was proposed that CTE try a test run/pilot program approval for the June meeting. Motion was made and a show of hands was called. Outcome of the vote, 11 yes CTE will "pilot" the new program approval process, 0 opposed, and 0 abstain.

**NCTQ Report**

This report is catching people's attention. Nicole had a phone meeting with NCTQ and reported information regarding the methodology used. The process began in 2013. In the beginning the focus seemed to be on states, and

now it seems to have shifted to institutions and programs. Nicole released a statement to The Nashua Telegraph regarding the NCTQ report following their inquiry. A print statement was released. CTE members shared their first-hand experience with NCTQ.

### **Computer Science Standards**

Ginny Clifford reported this is a new certification. Educators who are currently teaching in the field will have a pathway to earning this endorsement.

### **New Business**

**June retreat** will be on Thursday June 15, from 9 to 3 at Saint Anselm College 100 Saint Anselm Dr Manchester, NH 03102, Manchester, NH 03102

A Doodle poll will be sent to get a date for the **August retreat**.

### **Draft proposal k-6/k-8 certification**

No members of this sub-committee were present at this meeting. Nicole offered some information regarding the proposed document, and a few minutes were given to look it over. Discussion regarding 15 credits followed. Edits were discussed, and a motion to accept the document with changes/edits was adopted with 6 votes to adopt, 0 against, and 0 abstain. The edits clarified that the “15 credits shall sit in the content area of their major.” And also the words “grades 7 and 8” were added to clarify “middle school”.

### **Old Business**

#### **Criminal Records and Background Check Update**

#### **Jeff Kellett Chief Administrator Criminal Records and Diana Fenton NH DOE Legislation Attorney**

Diana gave an update on progress. The bill is with the house Ed committee, and Tuesday May 23 there will be a sub-committee meeting. Commander Kellett spoke about the “Adam Walsh Act” and the opportunity it could give colleges to distribute record information.

The “Adam Walsh Act” H.R. 4472 was enacted in the One Hundred Ninth Congress at the second session on January 3, 2006. An Act, To protect children from sexual exploitation and violent crime, to prevent child abuse and child pornography, to promote Internet safety, and to honor the memory of Adam Walsh and other child crime victims. [Specifically] Sec. 151. Access to national crime information databases.

He shared that he met with Governor Sununu to gain approval to use this Act, and the Governor signed it right away. He also cautioned colleges to be sure to have strong policies and procedures in place. Lastly, Commander Kellett announced that colleges may be eligible for a reduced fee for the cost of running the records check.

### **Items held for June**

Micro-credentials, CAEP agreement, Jill’s resignation, Alternative 3 ABCTE

In preparation for the June meeting Marie will scan and send the Ed 600 document to all CTE members. Please look it over carefully and be ready to discuss in June.

### **Reminders**

-Next year (2017-18) CTE will resume site visits.

-A large focus of the June meeting will be program approvals. Approval forms will be sent to members to review at least 2 weeks before the June meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.