

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
DIVISION OF PROGRAM SUPPORT
101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

November 1, 2017

Room 15

12pm to 3pm

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting:

Present: Kirk Beitler, Janine Casavant, Kenneth Gorrell, Jack Grube, Katrina Hall, George Harne, Cynthia Lucero, Christine Oskar-Poisson, Irv Richardson, Dianna Terrell, Page Tompkins, Anne Wallace, Kimberly Yarlott, Lisa Witte, Joanne Goelzer

Absent: Vincent Connelly, Joann Misra, Christie Sweeney, David Webster

Department Staff: Bill Ross, David Benedetto, Joanne DeBello, Amanda Phelps, Nicole Heimarck

I. CALL TO ORDER:

A. Chair Dianna Terrell called the meeting to order at 12:30 and asked that everyone take a moment to review the minutes.

II. MINUTES:

A. Motion - Ms. Terrell called for a motion to approve the minutes. Irv Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Anne Wallace and passed by a unanimous vote. Kimberly Yarlott, Lisa Witte and Joanne Goelzer abstained from the vote.

III. OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION:

A. Membership Update

1. Ms. Terrell explained that Vincent Connelly was confirmed by the State Board of Education on October 12, 2017, but that he was not in attendance.
2. There was discussion surrounding finding nominees for the opening in the Higher Ed/Ed Administration category as well as Qualified Lay Person.

B. Proposed By-Laws

1. Ms. Terrell highlighted some of the items on the proposed by-laws and opened the floor to discussion. Ms. Terrell received feedback concerning using Robert's Rules of Order, election of officers, planning agendas, the role of the PSB member on the subcommittee and the section regarding quorum and voting electronically. Ms. Terrell stated that she would revise the document and put it on the agenda again in the next couple of months.

Kirk Beitler expressed concern over the nomination process for the Professional Standards Board members explaining that he was aware that the Commissioner nominated someone from a parochial school. He explained that in the current political state of attack on public education it concerned him that someone would be nominated to sit on a Board governing public education who has no experience in public education.

C. Update on Subcommittees

1. Ed 507.25 and Ed 612.27 Educator in Mathematics for Grades 5-8; Ed 507.26 and Ed 612.28 Educator in Mathematics for Grades 7-12 (Expire 5/14/18) – Chair Annie Wallace

Ms. Wallace provided the members with a summary of the changes to the math rules. The differences between the two credentials were outlined in a chart in the handout. She explained the committee's process of separating out what was required for all math teachers versus what was required for just 5-8 and just 7-12 teachers. Ms. Wallace also stated that the committee wondered if the math history sections should be separated out in each math category or combined as a separate standard in the general math rule. The members all agreed that the history should be combined the way it was proposed because making it a separate category actually strengthens it.

2. Ed 507.35 Educational Interpreter/Transliterater for Children and Youth Ages 3-21 – Joanne DeBello

Ms. Phelps updated the committee based on an email she received from Ms. DeBello stating that the committee now includes a credentialed Educational Interpreter/Transliterater and that meetings are scheduled in the next couple of months.

William Ross stated that he has been in attendance at these meetings and that they are making substantial progress on updating the rule. He added that there would be substantive changes going forward.

3. Ed 507.05 Comprehensive Technology Education Teacher (Expires (8/12/19) – Dianna Terrell

Kirk Beitler stated that he received a list of eight people who have been working with David Benedetto. Mr. Ross pointed him to the educator search on the DOE website which could help him in his search for committee members.

4. Ed 507.22 and Ed 612.07 Education Technology Integrator (Expire 11/11/18)

Kimberly Yarlott stated that she has a small group of interested committee members. She explained that as she approaches educators with the endorsement the librarians have now taken over the role. Mr. Ross stated that because the credential changed

from computer teacher to education technology integrator, she will probably have a hard time finding people who are truly education technology integrators.

5. CEEDAR Goal 3 – Special Education Credentials – Cynthia Lucero and Joanne Misra

Cynthia Lucero gave an overview of the history around CEEDAR Goal 3. She explained that the goal group was working on enhancing the report that was submitted to the PSB during the previous meeting. She added that once the report was ready the goal group would present the report in a meeting with the Commissioner, Santina Thibedeau and Heather Gage of the DOE. She added that the final report would be ready for the December PSB meeting.

6. Ed 505.01 through Ed 505.05 regarding Qualifying Methods for Obtaining a Teacher Credential (Alternative 1-5) Expire 9/16/19 – Chair Page Tompkins

Mr. Tompkins explained that he spent some time getting a background and understanding of the pathways to certification stating that the rules include traditional pathways as well as alternative routes to certification. He stated that he has met with Mr. Ross and Nicole Heimarck and visited the research literature on the topic. Mr. Tompkins proposed a slightly different approach to the revision of the rules. He stated that he would like to revise the rules in two parts. The first part would be a very small committee composed of PSB members and other relevant stakeholders to include a member of CTE. Part two would be a broad outreach with focus groups, interviews and feedback from the field.

IV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

A. Update on Rulemaking – Amanda Phelps

1. Ms. Phelps gave a brief overview of rules that have been submitted to the State Board of Education and where they are in the process. She explained that Ed 507.27, 507.271, and their related 600 rules would be heard by JLCAR on November 21 and that the science proposals were on the State Board agenda for the November meeting as final proposals.

V. Adjournment

Ms. Terrell called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Wallace made the motion and was seconded by Katrina Hall. The motion passed unanimously.