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**Council for Teacher Education
Minutes of the February 16, 2023, Meeting**

**A meeting for the Council for Teacher Education was held at 12:00 p.m. on
Thursday, February 16, 2023.**

Brian Walker, Co-Chair, Designee, Plymouth State University
Tanya Sturtz, Designee, Keene State College
Laura Wasielewski, Saint Anselm College – Zoom
Kathryn McCurdy, Designee, University of New Hampshire - Zoom
Laura Stoneking, Designee, NH Department of Education
Abigail Blais, Hudson Memorial School – Zoom
Kelly Moore Dunn, NHTI Concord's Community
Susan Dreyer Leon, Antioch University New England – Zoom
Nick Marks, Granite State College - Zoom
Diane Monico, Co-Chair, Rivier University College
Shawna D'Amour, Southern New Hampshire University – Zoom
Kristine Thibault, New England College
Joan Swanson, Franklin Pierce University
Chris Ward, Upper Valley Educators Institute

The Following were unable to attend:

Michael Fournier, Superintendent, Bedford School District

Meeting Participation also included:

Bill Ross, NH Department of Education, Bureau of Credentialing
Sue Blake, NH Department of Education, Bureau of Credentialing
Cat Dorfman, NH Department of Education, Bureau of Credentialing
Chris Schmid, Southern New Hampshire University – Zoom
Dan Carchidi, University of New Hampshire
Ken Darsney

I. Welcome, Call to Order, and Introductions

The regular meeting of the Council for Teacher Education was convened at 12:00 p.m. Brian Walker presided as Co-Chair.

A. Approve December CTE Minutes

Motion: Brian Walker motioned, seconded by Laura Stoneking, to approve the minutes of the December meeting as amended.

Vote: The motion was approved without dissent by roll call vote.

II. CTE Committees

1. CAEP Agreement
2. CTE Handbook
 - a. Kathryn McCurdy, Joan Swanson, Laura Stoneking
3. 602-606 Rules
 - b. Chris Ward, Kelli Moore Dunn, Laura Wasielewski
4. Title XV Education 190:1-190:7 (legislative rules – 1951)
5. PSB Update

Cynthia Lucero was unable to attend so the update was provided by Laura Stoneking. Laura Stoneking stated the provided document includes notes from the PSB meeting. Current subcommittees are master teacher, professional development master plan, visual arts, reading/writing teacher and reading/writing specialist and math specialist. Anyone with a vested interest is encouraged to attend or ask to join the subcommittee meetings.

The English for Speakers of Other Languages rules were tabled at the December State Board meeting. Professional Standards Board went back in January to answer questions. They were looking at the language. The administrative licensure rules are going to the State Board in March. A representative attended the previous meeting from NHSSWA to discuss reopening the state social worker rules.

Bill Ross stated the technical education teacher subcommittee had a fairly large meeting between the field, the Department, and the Bureau of Career and Technical Education to talk about future direction. In particular, the Bureau of Career and Technical Education's overhauling of the programs within the state. It will continue to exist as a credential, but a significant amount of work will be done deciding what it will look like. There was a discussion about the possibility of removing all the endorsements.

Brian Walker asked why school social work is with the PSB. Laura Stoneking responded there are standards and a license for school social work. Bill Ross added Brian Walker's institution does not have an approved school social worker program.

III. Program Reviews (Existing and New Program requests)

- A. Review the 2022-2023 Program Approval Schedule and Progress Report Schedule
- B. SNHU – Advanced Program Review scheduled for November 2023: update co-chairs

Laura Stoneking stated Kathryn McCurdy and Diane Monico have volunteered to co-chair. Two out of three reviewers have been secured. She is still looking for a superintendent without a conflict of interest.

C. New England College: New Program request

Laura Stoneking stated NEC is requesting a new visual arts program bachelors, masters, and licensure. A chair is needed. The review will take place summer of 2023.

New England College merged with New Hampshire Institute of Art in 2020. At that time, they were offering a MAT. During the merger, enrollment was low, so it was taught out. There has been an increase in interest. Art is a critical shortage area. The new program will be integrated in NEC's Professional Educator Preparation Programs.

Kelly Moore Dunn volunteered to chair the review.

IV. Program Reports (Progress Reports, Approval Reports, National Accreditation Reports)

- A. Franklin Pierce

Nick Marks stated the reactors are reviewing the Franklin Pierce report. They are scheduled to meet with Franklin Pierce to get questions answered. They hope to present at the March meeting.

V. Substantive Change Requests

There were no requests.

VI. Administrative Rules Update (602-606)

A. Update on next steps

Chris Ward reported the 602 rules are in process. Julie Shea added 601 definitions and 602 are going to public hearing on March 9. Public comment is open for a week. At that point, if there is any public comment that needs to be taken into consideration, commentary will be received from Office of Legislative Services. If they find anything to be unclear, it will be revised. Then the final proposal will be drafted to go to the Board.

Chris Ward stated 602.05 was presented to the Board at the February meeting which include the fees. The Board raised questions about the implications of the fees being passed down to candidates. They wanted to know about potential pushback from institutions. It was explained that CTE went through some negotiations and is representative of institutions. Julie Shea added the initial approval must go to the rule making register before they expire on March 22. Once published, there is a six-month extension to get approval. The new fees will be active within the next six months.

Chris Ward stated the 603-606 rules were not proposed to the Board due to time. There will be an additional special meeting in February to present the rules for approval of the initial proposal.

Julie Shea added all the rulemaking is on Canvas and can be viewed at any time.

VII. Keene State College: CAEP Review

Brian Walker stated Keene State was tabled at a previous State Board meeting and was presented again. The video of the meeting was shared with CTE members.

Tanya Sturtz stated at the second meeting, the Board was limited on time to vote. The vote was to approve the program based on national accreditation. They were asked to stay to discuss the issue from the previous meeting. President Treadwell was in attendance and took the lead in speaking. The discussion surrounded the definition of social justice. Bill Ross added Keene State was invited to return in a year to share their progress on the revised mission statement.

Brian Walker stated in watching the video, it seemed like the Board was questioning what the rules allow them to do. National accreditation leads to approval. Their hands were tied there. Without national accreditation, the programs could have been given conditional approval based upon the opinions of the Board rather than the standards. Tanya Sturtz added she was prepared to discuss the standards. She was not prepared for the discussion that the Board wanted to have. Brian Walker added every institution should be held to the same standards.

Shawna D'Amour stated she watched the video. She found it frightening. She was impressed at how Tanya Sturtz handled herself.

VIII. Annual Reports

A. Begin reviewing the annual reports in small groups.

Brian Walker stated the annual reports are posted in one file in Canvas. There's a template in Canvas to complete information. There are 12 Institutes of Higher Educations which were divided into four groups with three IHEs. They are being asked to review three other schools. University of New Hampshire, Antioch, and St. Anselm will review Rivier, Upper Valley Educators Institute, and Keene State. Southern New Hampshire University, Granite State, and Plymouth State University will review Franklin Pierce, New England College, and New Hampshire Technical Institution. Rivier, UVEI, and Keene State will review UNH, Antioch, and St. Anselm. Franklin Pierce, New England College, and NHTI will review SNHU, Granite State, and PSU. The same meetings will be used in the March meeting as well to continue reviewing.

IX. NH DOE Updates

A. Bureau of Educator Preparation and Higher Education

Laura Stoneking stated updates were provided via email. A public hearing will take place for Ed 600 rules. Title two data is now available.

Through discussion on rules, it was discovered the Department of Ed is noncompliant with some of the higher ed rules. Laura Stoneking is looking to use the Ed 600 rules that address denial, probation, suspension, revocation, and/or closure of PEPP approvals. The part missing is a definition of any PEPP that is considered at risk and any PEPP that's considered low performing. These identifications are required by Title two.

Bill Ross stated this would require either revision of an existing rule or a new rule to designate definitions. That would result in a public comment hearing. He suggested also adding a definition of exemplary performance.

Brian Walker asked if the vision is for the State Board to have more options in their decisions or would the Title two definitions be coordinated with current options. Laura Stonking responded she sees them being aligned with current options. Bill Ross shared separating them from approval status prevents a low performing program from having to be designated as low performing for five years until their next approval.

Laura Stoneking is currently collecting information from other states.

B. Bureau of Credentialing

C. NH State Board of Education Updates

Bill Ross stated admin rules have been sent to the Department of Ed for further work to ensure language is clear. Public comment has already happened. Revisions made will go back to the State Board. Language changes have been made to clarify what competencies must be met for an administrator credential.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Brian Walker motioned, seconded by Tanya Sturtz, to adjourn the meeting at 3:00pm.