

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIVISION OF EDUCATOR SUPPORT
AND HIGHER EDUCATION
101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

February 5, 2025

12:06 p.m. to 1:12 p.m.

Members Present: Tom Laliberte (Co-chair), Kimberly Yarlott (Co-chair), Christina White, Andra Hall, Stephen Appleby, Jeni Laliberte, Erin Cayer, Tim Broadrick, Christina O'Hara, Nichole Treadway, Paul Cohen, and Richard Towne

Department Staff Present: Tyler Restuccia, Susan Blake, Julie Shea and Laura Stoneking

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tom Laliberte, Co-Chair, called to order the regular meeting of the Professional Standards Board at 12:06 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Draft December 4, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Motion: Erin Cayer made the motion, seconded by Paul Cohen, that the Professional Standards Board accept the December 4, 2024, meeting minutes.

Vote: The motion was approved by the Professional Standards Board.

III. OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION AND UPDATES

A. Votes Needed/State Board Committee Rep Attendance

1. Ed 507.16 – Physical Education Teacher (Exp. 10/25/2025)

Christina White, Tom Laliberte, and Kimberly Yarlott.

Contributor: Laura Stoneking

- Aligned requirements to National SHAPE standards and using similar language.
- Content did not change.
- Organization and language improvement.

Motion: Tom Broadrick made the motion, seconded by Paul Cohen, that

the Professional Standards Board approve the rules as written to Ed 507.16, Physical Education Teacher, until the February 2025 meeting.

Vote: The motion was approved by the Professional Standards Board.

2. Ed 507.15 – Health Teacher (Exp. 5/2/2026)

Christina White, Kimberly Yarlott and Tom Laliberte.

Contributor: Bill Ross

- Rule 1- language change from Health Educator to Health Teacher.
- Rule 2- language change regarding certification and bachelor's degree requirement.
- Rule 3- reorganization for more concise wording.
- Rule 4- confirmed RSA is throughout the document.
- Rule 5- more concise wording.
- Rule 6- added wording on preparedness skills for sensitive topics.
- Whole rule recommendation - added importance of skills-based knowledge in addition to content with SHAPE standards.

Motion: Chris O'Hara made the motion, seconded by Paul Cohen, that the Professional Standards Board approve the rules as written relative to Ed 507.15, Health Teacher.

Vote: The motion was approved by the Professional Standards Board.

B. In-depth Discussion

1. PSB Document Update - organization, process, etc., for members.

- A membership guide has been created and will be posted online.
- Document will be reviewed annually.

Motion: Tim Broadrick made the motion, seconded by Kim Yarlott, that the Professional Standards Board approve the membership guide as written.

Vote: The motion was approved by the Professional Standards Board.

C. Current Committee Updates

1. Ed 507.11 – Elementary Education Teacher (Exp. 10/2034)

Andra Hall and Jeni Laliberte
Contributor: Kate McCaffrey

- Still in holding pattern waiting for updates from the field.
 - Nichole Treadway volunteered to join this team.
2. Ed 507.05 – Technology and Engineering Teacher (Exp. 8/19/2029)
Stephen Appleby, Kimberly Yarlott, and Richard Towne
- In-depth discussion expected in Fall of 2025.
3. Ed 507.50 – FACS Committee (Exp. 8/2026)
Tim Broadrick, Kimberly Yarlott, and Christina White
- The first organizational meeting to take place in the coming month.
 - Dr. Amy Lyon with Colby Sawyer College is to be included in conversations.
4. Special Education Committees
- Committee 1: Ed 507.40, Ed 507.41 - (Exp. 9/30)
Special Education Teacher, Early Childhood Teacher.
Andra Hall, Erin Cayer, Jeni Laliberte.
 - The first meeting was on February 3rd.
 - 22 members with diverse representations.
 - Proposed committee break into two groups separating out early childhood teacher and special education teacher.
 - Will work on K-12 first and then move onto early childhood.
 - Committee 2: Ed 507.41, Ed 507.44, Ed 507.45, Ed 507.46 - (Exp. 8/26)
Special Ed Teacher in Area of Intellectual Development Disabilities,
Special Ed Teacher in Area of Emotional & Behavioral Disabilities,
Special Ed Teacher in Area of Specific Learning Disabilities, Special Ed
Teacher in Area of Physical & Health Disabilities.
Andra Hall and Christina O’Hara.
 - Need one more member.
 - Committee 3: Ed 507.43, Ed 507.46 - (Exp. 8/26) Special Ed Teacher in
Area of Deaf & Hearing Disabilities, Special Ed Teacher in Area of Blind
& Vision Disabilities.
Erin Cayer, Christina O’Hara, and Tom Laliberte.

- Need two more members.
5. Master Teacher Committee
Tom Laliberte, Paul Cohen, and Tim Broadrick.
 - No current update.
 6. Committee to review Expired Licenses/Timing/Renewal/Lifetime Credentials
Bill Ross, Kimberly Yarlott, Tim Broadrick, Jeni Laliberte, and Christina O'Hara.
 - No current update.

IV. DEPARTMENT REPORT

- A. Update on Rulemaking / State Board – Julie Shea, Stephen Appleby
<https://www.education.nh.gov/who-we-are/state-board-of-education>

Approved two sets of rules to go to State Board
Need volunteers to be present in April or May, in-person or via Zoom.

1. The following have been approved by the Professional Standards Board and are ready to go to the State Board:
 - Ed 508.10 Math Instruction Specialist
 - Ed 508.09 Reading and Writing Specialist
 - Ed 507.52 Reading and Writing Teacher
 - Ed 508.01 School Counselor
 - Ed 508.02 School Psychologist.
2. Ed 507.08 – School Psychologist
 - Professional Standards Board approved 11/6/2024.
3. Ed 507.07 – School Counselor
 - Professional Standards Board approved 11/6/2024.
4. Ed 507.21 – School Librarian/Library Media Specialist
 - Holding pattern; was voted at the April 2022 SBE meeting to form a subcommittee to investigate further.

- B. Council for Teacher Education (CTE) – Laura Stoneking
<https://www.education.nh.gov/who-we-are/council-for-teacher-education>

- Colby Sawyer proposal for three programs, Nurse 1, Family and Consumer Science and Elementary Education K-6. Review will take place in the Fall.

- Four institutions have full reviews coming up.
- One institution is working on a focus review.
- Working on requirements for numeracy and literacy.

V. OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

VII. TABLED ITEMS

- A. Ed 513.01, Ed 513.03, Ed 513.04, Ed 513.05, and Ed 513.06 (Exp. 10/2030) – Basic Requirement, Criteria for State Approval of Local Professional Development Master Plan, Individual Professional Development Plan, Criteria for License Renewal of Educators Under the Professional Development Master Plan, Criteria for License Renewal of Educators Not Under the Local Professional Development Master Plan, Licensed Paraeducators and Educational Interpreter/Transliterators
Co-Chair: Kimberly Yarlott, Beth McClure

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Tom Laliberte adjourned the meeting at 1:12 p.m.