

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

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

April 7, 2021

Meeting held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic

12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting: Meeting held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Members Present: Cynthia Lucero, Kirk Beitler, Tom Laliberte, Christina White, Beth McClure, Joann Misra, Irv Richardson, Page Thompkins, David Webster, Kimberly Yarlott, Christopher Benedetti, Steve Appleby, Jeni Laliberte, Erin Cayer, Andra Hall, and Tim Broadrick
Members Absent: Joanne Gozler, and Mary Murphy

Department Staff: Susan Blake, Laura Stoneking, William Ross, Kim Wilson, and Amanda Phelps

Guests: Diane Monico (CTE) representative

CALL TO ORDER

Zoom Meeting Ground Rules

Chair Cynthia Lucero called to order the regular meeting of the Professional Standards Board at 12:00 pm, held as a Zoom teleconference call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2021-Vote Needed

Tom Laliberte stated that Jeni Laliberte's name was misspelled on Page 2. Page 5, says "bureau of ed prep" sentence, add the word "and" between placement and licensure. Page 6, add the word "of" after the word incorporation.

Motion: Beth McClure made the motion, seconded by David Webster to approve the March meeting minutes pending mentioned changes.

Vote: The motion was approved by unanimous vote by the Professional Standards Board with Joan Misra abstaining. A roll call vote was taken by Kim Wilson.

OPEN BOARD DISCUSSION AND UPDATES

In-Depth Discussion

1. Ed 507.35 and Ed 507.39–Theater Teacher and Music Teacher

No update was provided. The board will follow up with Joanne Goelzer.

2. Ed 507.20 Library Media Coordinator

Chris Benedetti provided a proposal to make the license/certification obsolete. Bill Ross shared that there are only 4 people who currently have that assignment and none of them hold the license.

Motion: Steve Appleby made the motion, seconded by Beth McClure to accept the recommendation to remove the library media coordinator certification.

Vote: The motion was approved by unanimous vote by the Professional Standards Board. A roll call vote was taken by Kim Wilson.

Committee Updates

1. Ed 507.11 and Ed 612.04–Elementary Education Teacher

Beth McClure shared that the committee met on March 31st and completed review of math, social studies, and language arts. They are still working on the science section and expect to finish in April to present at the May meeting.

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

Bill Ross shared that Kirk Beitler was requesting volunteers for the ESOL and EITC subcommittees. Steve Appleby stated that a presentation should be ready for the PSB by the December meeting. Kirk Beitler shared that there is currently no degree requirement.

3. Master Teacher License

Irv Richardson shared that the committee was making progress and is planning to seek feedback from the New Hampshire Perspective Educators for Student Success Group. Based on the feedback, the committee may have a presentation prepared in June.

4. **Ed 506.01, Ed 506.02, Ed 506.03, Ed 506.04, Ed 506.05, Ed 506.06, Ed 506.07, Ed506.08, and Ed 507.01–Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Business Administrator, Principal Instructional Leader, Curriculum Administrator, District Administrator, Special Education Administrator, Associate Principal Instructional Leader, Career and Technical Director**

Chris Benedetti shared that the committee worked on edits and submitted them to Amanda Phelps. Bill Ross asked for explicit requirement of the professional educator standards in administrator certification.

Steve Appleby shared that Amanda Phelps shared some questions when putting the information into rule form. This should be ready for voting in June.

Page Thompkins asked for clarification on how to demonstrate the professional education standards. Bill Ross clarified that administrators should be able to demonstrate the professional education standards and have experience working under the professional education standards. Administrators need to have worked as a teacher for five years and be able to demonstrate the professional education standards. The subcommittee will discuss how to word the process without ambiguity.

5. Ed 507.48 and Ed 507.49—Comprehensive Marketing Educator and Comprehensive Business Educator

Steve Appleby shared that these are small endorsements and will possibly be combined.

6. Ed 507.18—Early Childhood Education Teacher

Joann Mirsa shared that the committee met in March to work on academic areas of the rule. It needs to be put in rule format and will be ready for the May agenda.

7. Ed 507.37—Classical Languages Teacher

Erin Cayer shared that the subcommittee has met to discuss 4 areas of language revision. They will meet again to finalize the document. They deleted the section that covered the professional education standards. They would like to create a presentation for the June meeting.

8. Ed 507.17—ESOL Teacher

Kirk Beitler shared that there is interest in participating in the committee. The goal is to present something in the fall.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Update on Rulemaking

Steve Appleby shared that administrative rule statute software was purchased to help manage the rule process. PSB and subcommittees will be able to utilize this software once implemented.

State Board of Education

1. Meeting Dates—April 08, 2021, May 13, 2021, June 10, 2021

2. SBE Update

Steve Appleby shared that the school librarian rule went to the State Board and they tabled it. It may be sent back to PSB. The State Board has become more interested in the Ed Prep programs and the standards in the Ed 600s.

Council for Teacher Education (CTE)

1. Meeting Dates–April 15, 2021, May 20, 2021, June17, 2021

2. CTE Update

Diane Monico shared that the CTE reviewed some substantive change. Teacher Prep programs are making changes to their programs or asking for extensions. Information on criminal background checks was provided via email after the last meeting.

Laura Stoneking shared that the CTE has many subcommittees. Two or three are looking at Ed prep rules. Other subcommittees are teasing out the Ed prep specific rules.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Work-Based Learning Coordinator - Study Team

Steve Appleby stated that he needs volunteers to look into this issue. Christina White volunteered to co-chair.

NEW BUSINESS

Cynthia Lucero shared that PSB and CTE chairs would like to have an overlapping meeting with a specific agenda to work together. This may take place at the June meeting. Steve Appleby responded that depending on everyone's comfort level, the June meeting may possibly be in person.

A. Voting for Chair and Vice Chair Discussion

Cynthia Lucero shared that chairs will be voted on in June and asked members to consider who would be interested in a leadership role. Steve Appleby added that moving the vote to June would allow Steve to work with the incoming chair and vice chair over the summer and be prepared for September.

Kirk Beitler asked how many people were leaving and how many open spots there will be in the fall. Cynthia Lucero and Page Thompkins are leaving in June. There are currently 3 open teacher education specialist positions. Steve Appleby shared that there is consideration for a new rule changing the limit to 2 consecutive terms instead of 2 terms.

B. State Board - How to Move Forward

- CTE specialty down to Grade 5
- Licensure without grade ranges and Admin/Supervisor–preschool
- Double content classes (Humanities or Stem)–What credentials does an educator need to hold?

Steve Appleby shared that credentialing is looking for PSB assistance in how to handle new scenarios. Real world issues are causing the Bureau of Credentialing looking for clarification. There is an effort to update the minimum standards to address some of these issues.

Micro credentials are being looked at and may assist in solving some issues of credentialing. Kirk Beitler asked what other states do. Steve Appleby shared that he is not familiar with other states. Beth McClure shared that they are doing something similar by creating guidelines to make a K-8 license work.

TABLED ITEMS

There were no tabled items.

ADJOURNEMENT

Motion: David Webster made the motion, seconded by Steve Appleby to adjourn the meeting at 1:23 p.m.