

**PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 5-6, 2007
CHEYENNE, WY**

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Bill Lee, Craig Beck, Robin Dexter, Joyce Tyrrell, Pat McClurg, DeAnn Eisenhart, and Jack Patrick. Absent: JoAnne McFarland, Chris Frude, and Anne Marie Anderson. Staff: Connie Pollard and Betsie Martinez. Attorney General's office: Bill Pilger and Ken Nelson. Guests: Wyoming House of Representatives Allen Jagi, Bernadine Craft, Kathy Davis, and Kevin White; Kathy Scheurman, Wyoming Education Association; and Katherine Bassett, Drew Gitomer, and Dena Siushansian, Educational Testing Service.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Pat McClurg to adopt the agenda, as modified. Modification is to discontinue Collaborations and Transitional certificates. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Jack Patrick to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2006 meeting. Motion carried.

BUDGET REPORT

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to receive the budget report as presented by Connie Pollard. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to receive the Director's report as presented by Connie Pollard. Motion carried.

PROPOSED POLICY CHANGES

Moved by Robin Dexter and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to accept the **Certificates, Permits, and Exceptions** proposal, as revised by the Board and have it sent out for a 45-day comment period. This proposal provides for the issuance of a one-year Exception Authorization letter. Motion carried.

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to accept the **Add Endorsement** proposal, as revised by the Board and have it sent out for a 45-day comment period.

This proposes to align PTSB policy with No Child Left Behind legislation requiring that all endorsements must be equivalent to a major. It also proposes adding an additional avenue for individuals to add endorsements through a "demonstration of competency." Motion carried. Opposed vote: Craig Beck.

Moved by Robin Dexter and seconded by Craig Beck to adopt October 31st as the **expiration date** for all certificates and permits. Motion failed.

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Jack Patrick to accept the **transitional coaching permits** proposal and have it sent out for a 45-day comment period. This proposal would allow issuance of 3-year versus 1-year transitional coaching permits so that districts may begin the school year with coaches ready for early coaching assignments. Motion carried.

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to grandfather all active transitional coaching permits to a three year permit to begin from the initial validity date of the holder's permit, if the transitional coaching permit becomes adopted. Motion carried. Jack Patrick: opposed.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Professional Teaching Standards Board was scheduled for March 5, 2007 from noon to 5:00 pm at Poor Boys in Casper.

EXCEPTIONS

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to approve the request for an Exception (Collaboration) to **Katie Milburn**. Motion carried. Pat McClurg abstained.

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to grant **Tracy Preuit** a three-month extension to complete the renewal coaching requirements. Motion carried.

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to approve a one-year exception for **Cynthia Linbdmier**, Converse #1 and **Terri Hinkel**, Campbell #1. Motion carried.

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by Robin Dexter to approve continuing collaborations for **Jeri Gonzales**, **Richard Jacoby**, and **Patricia Irwin**. Motion carried. DeAnn Eisenhart abstained.

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by Craig Beck to approve the temporary permit requests for **Braidi Lutgen** and **Lora Greer**. Motion carried.

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Robin Dexter to approve **Judy Christensen** as a long term substitute in Weston #1. Motion carried.

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to approve **Paul Dykeman** for a long term substitute in Teton #1. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board was in Executive Session from 2:50 pm to 3:20 pm.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH CREDIT

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by DeAnn Eisenhart to request additional information from **Michael Carlson** regarding how his experience relates to his Industrial Arts certification. Motion carried.

DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Moved by Joyce Tyrrell and seconded by Jack Patrick to accept the following Professional Development plans:

- Region IV Development Center - Jackson;
- Fremont #25 - Riverton;
- Sublette #1 - Pinedale;
- Sublette #9 - Big Piney;
- Big Horn #3 - Greybull;
- Sweetwater #1 - Rock Springs; and
- Laramie #1.

Motion carried. Craig Beck abstained.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT CREDITS

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Pat McClurg to approve variable credits, 2-3, for Natrona #1 Cohort Study Group: Professional Learning Communities, and to approve 3 credits for Natrona #1, Content Based Foreign Language Instructions for the Middle School - Part 2. Motion carried.

PROGRAM APPROVAL

Moved by Craig Beck and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to approve the University of Wyoming Master of Arts Education with an Option in Special Education program. Motion carried.

WAIVERS

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to grant **Gina Melger** a one-year extension and grant **Jill Johansen** a waiver of the requirement for an Institutional Recommendation to add the endorsement of Reading Specialist. Motion carried.

Moved by Jack Patrick and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to grant **Brook Mickelson** an exception to work as a speech/language therapist in Platte #1. Motion carried.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Moved by Pat McClurg and seconded by Joyce Tyrrell to accept the voluntary surrender of **Sean Patrick Downey**'s teaching certificate.

ETS PRESENTATION

Educational Testing Service staff Katherine Bassett, Drew Gitomer, and Dena Siushanian presented copies of **Process and Guidelines for Setting Passing Scores for Licensure Tests** and **PRAXIS Testing in Wyoming**. They conducted a question and answer session.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am on February 6, 2007