



**PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
GOOGLE HANGOUT - VIRTUAL
OCTOBER 4, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER -3:04 PM

This meeting was called to order by President Liesl Sisson at 3:04 PM

Present: Board: Jon VanOverbeke, Jennifer Schultze, Liesl Sisson, Dixie Brackman, Dan Mayer, Andrea Burrows, Mariah Learned, Jancie Marshall, Mike Hamel, Brian Brisko, Scott Thomas Liann Brenneman, Astrid Northrup; Staff: Nish Goicolea, Brendan O'Connor, Trisha Wright, Jillian Reagan; Attorney General's Office: Mackenzie Williams, Catherine Reeves; Guests: Coley Shadrack-WASA, Michelle Aldrich-WDE, Shelley Hamel-WDE.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda;

1. Adoption of Agenda
 2. Approval of Minutes - June 21, 2021
 3. License Ratification
- Moved by Janice Marshall to accept and approve all items listed on the consent agenda as presented
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed

DISCIPLINARY

- Docket 2021-022 - Moved to approve the Settlement Agreement with Advisory by Dixie Brackman
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Recused from voting - Dan Mayer and Liesl Sisson
 - Motion passed

WORK-BASED LEARNING

Dr. Michelle Aldrich presented the WDE Work-Based Learning pilot project for all districts in the State of Wyoming. There were several questions asked regarding Work-Based Learning. A Sub Committeewas created for further discussion.

- Michelle Aldrich
- Jennifer Schultze

- Jon VanOverbeke
- Andrea Burrows

PTSB UPDATES

Nish Goicolea gave an update on the rules voted on in our previous meeting. The Governor currently has forty-three (43) days remaining to take action.

Nish Goicolea explained the coaches' subcommittee will meet next week to go over the letter received from WASA. There was a robust discussion regarding the concerns of this letter and the stance the PTSB board members would like to take on keeping what we have in place. Nish also explained that she and Brendan have been reviewing and having conversations with other states on licensing coaches. Mackenzie Williams went over the legal stance on the letter received.

Nish Goicolea mentioned the Early Childhood/SPED subcommittee will be meeting soon for further discussion regarding how they will be endorsed.

Nish Goicolea gave a few updates on the Grade band subcommittee that was put on a standstill as PTSB was waiting on the outcome of UW solutions. There was a discussion on the program.

Nish explained there is no new movement on Praxis or updated scoring.

OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST

Nish explained the obstacles of Higher Education Routes. Nish Goicolea explained we can license them on an Exception Authorization if they are currently enrolled in a program, but this is more difficult in the middle of the school year with programs already in session. Andrea Burrows with UW explained the Grad Certificate Program that UW currently has to offer.

Nish Goicolea explained interests in a Sub Route to Licensure. Nish Goicolea explained that during her research on this topic, some states have a pathway for paraprofessionals to become licensed teachers in a "Grow your own" program. Nish Goicolea believes it is an excellent opportunity with the substitute teacher shortage. UW is open to suggestions and partnering. Further discussion to occur.

Nish Goicolea explained the up-and-coming Professional Development, PD on skill. The question was asked how we would award credit without certification or seat time. Nish explained PTSB has a few individuals who would like to present to the PTSB staff and Board on "Alexa Skills."

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Nish Goicolea provided an update on the PTSB staff.
- Nish Goicolea updated the board on the progress of the Biennium Budget and Annual Report.

- December 7th, 2021, Nish Goicolea and Brendan O'Connor are scheduled to present the budget to the Joint Appropriations Committee.
- PTSB is asking for a new vendor system and is currently partnering with ETS on this change.
- PTSB is asking for our at-will position to become a permanent position within the agency.
- If approved, these changes would go into effect in July 2022.
- Nish Goicolea explained we did receive our financials from Jeannie but not in time to add to our board meeting packet; Jillian will send it via email.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

PTSB's next regular Board Meeting will be held on December 6, 2021

Moved by Liann Brenneman to conduct our board meeting on December 6, 2021

- Seconded by Jon VanOverbeke
- Motion passed

ADJOURN

Liesl Sisson adjourned the meeting at **4:20 PM**.