



**PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
GOOGLE HANGOUT - VIRTUAL
IN-PERSON
JUNE 21, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER -9:08 AM

This meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Liesl Sisson at 9:08 AM.

Present: Board: Jon VanOverbeke, Jennifer Schultze, Liesl Sisson, Dixie Brackman, Dan Mayer, Andrea Burrows, Mariah Learned, Jancie Marshall, Mike Hamel, Astrid Northup, Brian Brisko, Scott Thomas; Staff: Nish Goicolea, Brendan O'Connor, Trisha Wright, Jillian Reagan; Attorney General's Office: Mackenzie Williams; Guests: Shelley Hamel-WDE, Laurel Ballard- WDE, Nick Bellack - ETS

BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS

Liesl Sisson stated PTSB needs a Board Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.

- Janice Marshall moved to nominate Liesl Sisson as Board Chair.
 - Seconded by Mike Hamel
 - Motion passes
- Liesl Sisson moved to nominate Janice Marshall as Vice Board Chair
 - Seconded by Mike Hamel
 - Motion passes
- Jennifer Schultze moved to nominate herself as the Secretary
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed

CONSENT AGENDA

- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke to accept and approve all items listed on the consent agenda as presented
 - Seconded by Janice Marshall
 - Motion passed

Consent Agenda:

1. Adoption of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes - April 19, 2021
3. License Ratification

BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

Tracy Ragland joined the meeting via Google Meet. Nish Goicolea and board members recognized Tracy Ragland for his years of service as Board Chair over the years.

DISCIPLINARY

- Docket 2021-016 - Moved to dismiss with an advisory letter by Janice Marshall
Seconded by Jon VanOverbeke -
 - Recused from voting - Dan Mayer and Liesl Sisson
 - Motion passed
- Docket 2021-009 - Moved to dismiss by Dan Mayer Seconded by Jennifer Schulze
 - Recused from voting - Mike Hamel
 - Motion passed
- Docket 2021-023 - Moved to dismiss by Janice Marshall and seconded by Dixie Brackman
 - Recused from voting - Dan Mayer and Liesl Sisson
 - Motion passed
- Docket 2021-024 - Moved to dismiss with an advisory letter by Janice Marshall and seconded by Mariah Learned
 - Recused from voting - Dan Mayer and Liesl Sisson
 - Motion passed

MICRO-CREDENTIALS

Laurel Ballard presented the WDE Micro-credentials pilot project in Computer Science that PTSB has partnered on. There was a robust discussion regarding micro-credentialing and the benefits to the piloting programs once completed.

PRAXIS

Nick Bellack presented ETS Praxis scores.

- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke to adopt Mathematics 5165 and Mathematics (Middle School Math) 5164 with a passing score of 159 and 157.
 - Seconded by Janice Marshall
 - Motion passed

PTSB will recognize Mathematics 5161 and Middle School Mathematics 5169 until September 1, 2022, as Mathematics 5165 and Mathematics 5164 will not be available until September 1, 2021.

PTSB discussed adopting additional Praxis Text Options and series including Director, Elementary Education, Exceptional Specialist, Exceptional Specialist-Deaf, Exceptional

Specialist-Vision, Gifted and Talented, Physical Science, Principal, School Counselor, School Psychologist, Science, Social Studies Comprehensive, Superintendent, and World Language. By adopting these additional Praxis tests, PTSB allows more options of testing for Licensees adding endorsements.

- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 6990 School Leaders Licensure Assessment with a passing score of 151.
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze.
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5412 Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision with a passing score of 146
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5372 Special Education: Teaching Students with Behavioral Disorders/Emotional Disturbances with a passing score of 154
 - Seconded by Mike Hamel
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5272 Special Education: Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students with a passing score of 160
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5282 Special Education: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments with a passing score of 163
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5358 Gifted Education with a passing score of 157
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5421 Professional School Counselor with a passing score of 156
 - Seconded by Dixie Brackman
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5402 School Psychologist with a passing score of 147
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5440 Middle School Science with a passing score of 150
 - Seconded by Janice Marshall
 - Motion passed

- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 6991 School Superintendent Assessment with a passing score of 162
 - Seconded by Dixie Brackman
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5665 Chinese (Mandarin) with a passing score of 164
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5174 French: World Language with a passing score of 162
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5183 German: World Language with a passing score of 163
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5601 Latin with a passing score of n/a
 - The question is asked why the passing score was n/a, and it is explained PTSB would determine the cut score. After reviewing the cut scores in other states, PTSB agrees to a cut score of 152.
 - Amended motion moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5601 Latin with a passing score of 152
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke for PTSB to adopt Praxis Test Option 5195 Spanish: World Language with a passing score of 168
 - Seconded by Jennifer Schultze
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Andrea Burrows to add Praxis Test Option 5091 Physical Education Center with a passing score of 148
 - Seconded by Jon VanOverbeke
 - Motion passed
- Moved by Janice Marshall to ratify all current adopted tests and cut scores to be reviewed annually.
 - Seconded by Mariah Learned
 - Motion passed

The question was asked if PTSB staff would develop a document of all the current ways the PRAXIS is being utilized by PTSB. PTSB staff will have this compiled for the subsequent board meeting.

RULE CHANGES

- Chapter Two- Fee Changes

- Nish Goicolea explained why the fee raises are needed and why the fees must be entered into our rules. Nish Goicolea reminded the board members they voted on raising the fees on April 19, 2021. Discussion ensued that it was discovered the fee scale was not in the PTSB rules and this is a requirement; therefore, the fees must go through the promulgation process.
- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke to accept the proposed revisions of Chapter 2 and to add the fee scale to the rules.
 - Seconded by Janice Marshall
 - Motion passed
- Chapter Seven - Coaching Endorsement
 - Nish Goicolea explained the new proposal for Coaching Endorsement and that PTSB staff has worked closely with the Wyoming Coaching Association regarding these changes. The only suggestion the WCA had was to allow for a grace period for all Assistants Coaches to obtain the requirements for Head Coach. There was a robust discussion regarding this topic. There was discussion on creating a subcommittee as it concluded this change needs to be examined further before the change is made.
- The PTSB Coaching subcommittee will include Dan Mayer, Brian Brisko, and Mike Hamel.

This discussion will continue at the October board meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Nish Goicolea explained the financial statements.
- Nish Goicolea provided an update on the staff and our recent B11 request to make our Office Assistant position a permanent state position rather than an “at-will” position.
- Nish Goicolea provided information on PTSB’s recent FBI audits, indicating the agency passed both audits and was described as a model agency.
- Nish Goicolea provided an update on the agency’s telework policy, which includes two full-time employees being permanently remote and a hybrid telework schedule due to downsizing of office space.
- Nish Goicolea provided information on the NASDTEC conference she and Assistant Director Brendan O’Connor attended in Savannah, GA. Nish mentioned many states are seeing an increase in discipline and some of the same issues PTSB is seeing with licensing. PTSB staff’s next conference is in October for NASDTEC PPI Conference in Oklahoma City, OK.
- Assistant Director Brendan O’Connor provided information on AAQEP being recognized by CHEA. This is excellent news for the University of Wyoming as they have a membership with AAQEP.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

PTSB's next regular Board Meeting will be held October 4, 2021 - October 5, 2021, in Casper, WY.

- Moved by Jon VanOverbeke to conduct our board meeting October 4, 2021, to October 5, 2021, in Casper, WY
 - Seconded by Dan Mayer
 - Motion passed

ADJOURN

Liesl Sisson adjourned the meeting at **4:23 PM.**