



Minnesota Board of Teaching

Board of Teaching Minutes

August 2, 2013

Board members present: Erin Azer, John Bellingham, Lesa Covington Clarkson, Jim Grabowska, Ann Krafthefer, Mike Larson, Loy Woelber

Board members not present: James Barnhill, Karen Palmen, Ryan Vernosh

I. Call to order: The August 2, 2013, meeting of the Minnesota Board of Teaching was convened by Chair, J. Bellingham at 8:30 a.m. at the Minnesota Department of Education, Conference Center A, room 13.

Chair J. Bellingham welcomed Board members, staff, and guests to the meeting.

II. Business Meeting

A. Approval of Agenda with Flexibility: J. Grabowska moved approval of the agenda with flexibility. L. Woelber seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consent Agenda: M. Larson moved approval of the Consent Agenda. L. Covington Clarkson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Approval of the July 12, 2013, Board of Teaching minutes

2. Institutional and Program Approvals:

Continuing approval of an Experimental Teacher Licensure Program offered by Hamline University: Teach For America

RECOMMENDATION: To grant continuing approval for Hamline University as the higher education partner for the Teach For America program through June 30, 2014, contingent upon the approval of an end of the year program efficacy report. Program report components will be specified by the Board in writing and will include: participant data, program efficacy and candidate competence data aligned to BOT standards, external program efficacy data, candidate retention data, and continuous improvement data.

3. Waiver requests:

School	Teacher	Program
Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose-ALP	Gretchen Lieb Joy Turner Joshua Rogers	Experimental Prog.
Chisago Lakes – Chemical	Barbara Anderson	Experimental Prog.

School	Teacher	Program
Dependency Program		
Cornerstone Montessori Elementary Montessori	John Albright	Experimental Prog.
ECHO – Project Based Learning	Kay Haneca David Schueler Jason Vanengen Grace Eileen Annetta Ewald	Experimental Prog.
Ed Vision Off Campus-Project Based Learning	Catherine Diaz Christopher Lepper Regina Dobosenski Lawrence Schmidt Megan Bluma Michael Motzko Patricia Monson Geerts Jessica Mockros	Experimental Prog.
Edina-Project Lead the Way	Ward Jensen	Experimental Prog.
Edina – ALP	Ann Weise	Experimental Prog.
Farmington – ALC	Richard Yonker	Experimental Prog.
Fergus Falls – ALC	Lisa Miller Addie Shol	Experimental Prog.
Fergus Falls Area Sp Ed Coop-Care & Treatment Center	Judith Gease Angela Gukeisen	Experimental Prog.
Freshwater Ed District – ALC	Coralie Dewald Jeffrey Foss Heidi Heino Linda Heier Ruth Kinnunen Jerome Miller Roxann Nyhus Nancy Swanberg Janalee Timm	Experimental Prog.
Jennings Community Learning Center-Advisor Model	William Zimniewicz	Experimental Prog.
Mankato-ALC	Tony Broskoff	Experimental Prog.
Minnesota New Country School-Project Based Learning	Diann Wiederich Paul Jaeger Dee Grover Thomas Nichole Kotasek Dean Lind David Rice Anthony Sonnek James Wartman Aaron Grimm Kathryn Blixt Lorie Standinger Jennifer Brunick Colin Obrien	Experimental Prog.
Minnesota River Valley – ALC	Carrie Speh Lawrence Smith Mary Morgan	Experimental Prog.
Mountain Iron-Buhl-Care & Treatment Center	James Jotter Paula Herbranson James Plese	Experimental Prog.
Northern Learning Center – ALC	Charles Plantz	Experimental Prog.

School	Teacher	Program
	Angela Giergielewicz	
Northern Lights Community School- Project Based Learning	Matthew Alleva Karen Fleming Ladonna Hanson Rachel Maki Thomas Massich Katherine Rowe Suzanne Starr Donald Vidal	Experimental Prog.
Park Rapids-ALP	Paul Grimes Aaron Morris Terry Schroeder Julie Cook Susan Cassidy	Experimental Prog.
Pine City-ALP	Kathy Horbacz	Experimental Prog.
Roseau-ALC	Lori Kasprick	Experimental Prog.
St. Peter-Care & Treatment Center	Brian Vosejka Nancy Schabert Rachel Weiers	Experimental Prog.
Schoolcraft Learning-Integrated Curriculum and Service Projects	James Conway Sara Breeze	Experimental Prog.
Southern Plans Ed Coop-Care & Treatment Center	Teresa Davison	Experimental Prog.
Southern Plans Ed Coop – ALC	Francelia Simpson Jeffrey Kot	Experimental Prog.
TRIO Wolf Creek – Advisor Model	Sandra Flint Becki Olseen Lindsay Jarombek Laura Welciek	Experimental Prog.
Vermillion Country School – Project Based Learning	Chad Olson Allison Kirchoff Nicholas Rice Sara Baird	Experimental Prog.
Waconia – ALC	Mollee Layer Cindy Finke Emily Beltz	Experimental Prog.
West Central Ed District – ALC	Barbara Aanstad David Norling Karol Bischoff-Klug	Experimental Prog.
Wright Technical Center – ALC	Bruce Ruhe	Experimental Prog.

4. **Report:** Variance and Temporary Limited License Appeals issued. Report was received.

C. Discretionary Variance Requests:

School	Teacher	Program
Battle Lake School	Kathryn Scherfenberg	Chinese Language K-12
ECHO Charter School	Melanie Kurtz	Early Childhood – Grade 2
Hiawatha Academies	Kelsey Bitney	Science 6 th grade
Hills-Beaver Creek	Jill Stiefvater	Early Childhood Special Education B- Age 6
Hutchinson Public Schools	Jessica Trost	German Language 9-12
International Spanish	Dayra De La Cruz	Immersion Elementary Education Grade

School	Teacher	Program
Language Academy	Lopez	1
Perpich Center for Arts Education	John Colburn William Jeter	Communication Arts and Lit 5-12 Visual Arts K-12
St. Paul Conservatory for Performing Artists	Amy Sackett Nicholas Gaudette Melissa Hart	Dance 9-12 Instrumental Music 9-12 Theatre Arts 9-12
Spectrum High School	Amy Kinney	Communication Arts and Lit. 5-12
Willow River School	Robert Dresel	Spanish K-12

J. Grabowska moved to approve the Discretionary Variance request. M. Larson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

D. NonLicensed Community Expert Requests

Community Expert Public Comment

Kevin McHenry, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Education
 Bondo Nyembwe, Principal, St. Paul City School
 Magdy Rabeaa, Assistant Principal, Best Academy
 Eli Krammer, Executive Director, Hiawatha Academy
 Krystal Centeno, Parent of student at Hiawatha Academy
 Don Samuels, Minneapolis City Council
 Lisa Chirpich, Parent of student at Hiawatha Academy
 Julie Guy, Sojourner Truth School Director
 Bill Wilson, Higher Ground Academy
 Joe Nathan, Director, Center for School Change
 Jon Bacal, lead founder and start-up Director for Venture Academy
 Shalonda Gordon, Human Resources, Excell Academy
 Richard Kreyer, Human Resource Director, Minneapolis Public School
 Crystal Brakke, Executive Director, Teach for America Twin Cities

Board members were given time to review materials.

J. Grabowska moved to approve all Group I: First Time NonLicensed Community Expert requests. L. Woelber seconded the motion.

M. Larson moved to amend the motion to approve all Group I: First Time NonLicensed Community Expert requests with the exception of Excel Academy (Grandstand, Simison); Hiawatha (Busch, Munday, Williams); Higher Ground (Fuhrman); ISD 287 (Copeland); St. Paul City School (Fisher); Sojourner Truth Academy (Stockmo, Theis, Handrich) . A. Krafthefer seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, A. Krafthefer, M. Larson and D. O'Brien voted yes. J. Grabowska, and L. Woelber voted no. Motion carried.

L. Woelber moved to approve the request from Excel Academy (Grandstand). E. Azer seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, J. Grabowska, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. A. Krafthefer and M. Larson voted no. Motion carried.

E. Azer moved to approve the request from Excel Academy (Simison). J. Grabowska seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, J. Grabowska, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. A. Krafthefer and M. Larson voted no. Motion carried.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the request from Hiawatha Academies (Busch). E. Azer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the request from Hiawatha Academies (Munday). L. Woelber seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, J. Grabowska, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. A. Krafthefer and M. Larson voted no. Motion carried.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the request from Hiawatha Academies (Williams). L. Woelber seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the request from Higher Ground Academy (Fuhrman). E. Azer seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, J. Grabowska, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. A. Krafthefer and M. Larson voted no. Motion carried

E. Azer moved to approve the request from ISD 287 (Copeland). J. Grabowska seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, J. Grabowska, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. L. Covington Clarkson, A. Krafthefer and M. Larson voted no. Motion carried.

E. Azer moved to approve the request from St. Paul School (Fisher). J. Grabowska seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, J. Grabowska, A. Krafthefer, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. M. Larson voted no. Motion carried.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the request from Sjourner Truth Academy (Stockmo). L. Woelber seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the request from Sjourner Truth Academy (Theis). L. Woelber seconded the motion. E. Azer, J. Bellingham, L. Covington Clarkson, J. Grabowska, A. Krafthefer, D. O'Brien and L. Woelber voted yes. M. Larson voted no. Motion carried.

E. Azer moved to approve the request from Sjourner Truth Academy (Handrich). J. Grabowska seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Group I: First Time NonLicensed Community Expert Requests approved

School	Teacher	Program
Aurora Charter School	Oscar Guerrero Patricia Garcia-Gil	Spanish Language K-8
Best Academy	Rachel Durkee	ESL K-12
Edina	Amandine Schonecker Madeline Buck	Elementary Ed. K-6 Immersion
Excell Academy	Rachel Grandstand Katy Simison	Elementary Ed K-6
Fergus Falls	Menghui Yan-Andrews	Chinese Language K-12
Floodwood	Tracey Cook	Technology 5-12 & Business 5-12
Forest Lake	Frank Malone	Technology 5-12
Hiawatha Academies	Sarah Swenson Kathryn Busch Katherine Munday Elizabeth Williams Amy Weum	Comminacation Arts and Lit 5-8 Elementary Ed. K-6 ESL K-12
Higher Ground Academy	Mia Clark Michelle Dyer	Elementary Ed K-6

School	Teacher	Program
	Cheryle Melander Hillary Fuhrman	
ISD 287	Andrea Copland Kelsey Gunderson	Emotional Behavioral Disorder K-12
ISD 917	Sean Lindberg	Emotional Behavioral Disorder K-12
Minneapolis	Paula Cole	Bilingual Education K-6 & Elementary Ed K-6
Minnetonka	Adriana Albina	Elementary Ed. K-6 Immersion
Moorhead	Maria Johnson Chaunyu Chen	Elementary Ed. K-6 Immersion Chinese Language K-12
Ogilvie	Jodie Billstrom	Parent and Family Ed B-Grade 3
St. Paul City School	Emily Fisher	Elementary Ed K-6
Sjourner Truth Academy	Jillian Stockmo Andrew Theis Dustin Handrich	Elementary Ed K-6
Spring Lake Park	Megan Marcoullier	Elementary Ed K-6 Immersion
Twin Cities Academy	Lucas Wax	Math 5-12
Twin Cities German Immersion Charter	Tanja Schmitt Cagla Kazek	Phy Ed K-12 & German K-12 Elementary Ed K-6 Immersion
Venture Academy	Jonathan Filzen	ESL K-12
West Central Area	Adrienne Stark	Family and Consumer Science 5-12
World Learner Charter	Daneen Goncalves	Elementary Ed K-6 Montessori

M. Larson moved to approve all Group II: Renewal/Repeat NonLicensed Community Expert requests. L. Covington Clarkson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Group II: Renewals and Repeats NonLicensed Community Expert Requests approved

School	Teacher	Program
Aurora Charter	Cecilia Delbene	Spanish Language K-8
Browns Valley	Virginia Westbrook	Vocal and Instrumental Classroom Music K-12
Cologne Acaemy	Carmen Lopez Marshall	Spanish Language K-8
Cornerstone Montessori Elementary	Sara Papacek	Elementary Education K-6 Montessori
G.F.W.	Mary Nelson	Communication Arts and Lit 5-12
Global Academy	Muna Alsaadon Rasha El Helw	Arabic Language K-8
ISD 287	Berit Allison Benjamin Drewelow Gregory Baker	Reading K-12 Emotional Behavioral Disorder K-12 Transportation Careers 9-12
Kaleidoscope Charter	Belinda Bergren	Spanish Language K-8
Minnetonka	Jingzi Xu	Elementary Ed K-6

	Hsin-yi Liu Melissa Giraldo Patricia Cespedes-Schueller	Immersion
Moorhead	Michelle Rolewitz	American Sign Language K-12
New Discoveries Montessori Academy	Heather Villancourt	Elementary Ed K-6 Montessori
Northeast Metro 916	Dawn Goebel Mary Mcguire	Cosmetology 9-12 Law Enforcement 9-12
Paladin Academy	Dominic Fucci	Emotional Behavioral Disorder K-12 & Visual Arts K-12
Riverway Learning Community Charter	Dana Merkel	Early Childhood Ed B-3
St. Cloud	Feng Dong	Elementary Ed K-6 Immersion
St. Paul Conservatory for Performing Art	Aaron Preusse Ryan Underbakke Katherine Goor	Theatre K-12 Theatre and Vocal & Classroom Music K-12
Spring Lake Park	Ana Tobar Daniela Perez Francisca Aranda	Elementary Ed K-6 Immersion
South Washington	Sharon Kwan	Chinese Language K-12
Southwest Metro Ed Coop	David Fuller Laura Talvite Heather Nelson David Dettman Gregg Flekke	Cosmetology 9-12 Criminal Justice 9-12 Medical Careers 7-12 Criminal Justice 9-12 Communications Technology Careers 7-12
Twin Cities German Immersion Charter	Wolfgang Koch Leah Suter	Elementary Ed K-6 Immersion
White Bear Lake	Caiyun Zhou	Chinese Language K-8
Wright Technical Center	Susan Alberg Melissa Powell Duane Hillsheim	Cosmotogy 9-12 Law Enforcement and First Responder 9-12

Chair J. Bellingham issued a statement in regards to the Community Expert reviewal process.

Chair J. Bellingham called for a 7 minute break.

E. Public Comment:

Bill Kautt, Minnesota School Board Association, provided comments regarding contract issues and reports to the Board of Teaching for teachers who fail to fulfill a contract.

III. Unfinished Business: None at this time.

IV. New Business

A. Presentation: Minnesota Speech Language Hearing Association (MSHA): Presentation from: Anne Lindgren, Speech-Language Pathologist, Anoka Hennepin School District; Marilyn Fairchild, Speech-Language Pathologist, Department of Speech-Lanuage-Hearing Sciences, University of Minnesota and Co-President of MSHA; Jeremy Braun, Speech-Language Pathologist and

President-Elect of MSHA; Sarah Angerman, audiologist, Department of Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences at University of Minnesota and Co-President of MSHA.

B. Report: MTLE updates: Karen Balmer shared updates regarding to the Teacher Licensure Advisory Task Force. Chair J. Bellingham made a recommendation to examine cut scores at a future meeting to review passing scores.

C. Report: Board of Teaching analysis: Fiona Sheridan-McIver presented with research and analysis to help better understand how the Board of Teaching compares to independent standards boards in other states with similar purview.

V. Reports:

Minnesota Department of Education: None at this time.

Legislative Update: No additional information was provided.

Standards and Rules committee: No additional information was provided..

VI. Adjourn: L. Covington Clarkson moved to adjourn. M. Larson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:38.p.m.

Next meeting: Friday, September 13, 2013