



Minnesota Board of Teaching

Board of Teaching Minutes

January 10, 2014

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – Executive Committee Meeting (CC-8)

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Board of Teaching Meeting (CC-13)

Board members present: Erin Azer, James Barnhill, John Bellingham, Lesa Covington Clarkson, Jim Grabowska, Mike Larson, Diane O'Brien, Karen Palmen, Loy Woelber, Anne Krafthefer

I. Call to order: The January 10, 2014, meeting of the Minnesota Board of Teaching was convened by Chair, John Bellingham at 8:54 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. J. Bellingham reported that there was a quorum present.

II. Business Meeting

A. Approval of Agenda: L. Woelber moved for approval of the agenda *with extreme flexibility*. First motion by J. Grabowska and E. Azer seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

B. Consent Agenda: J. Grabowska moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. L. Woelber seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

1. Waiver requests:

Dassel Cokato – ALC	Jon Nelson	Experimental Prog.
Minneapolis – Contract Alternative	Jeff McArthur	Experimental Prog.
Minnesota Internship Center – Circle Method	Nicole Hollins	Experimental Prog.
Oakland Vocational Cooperative – ALC	Jill Carlstrom	Experimental Prog.
	Clay Erickson	Experimental Prog.
	David Larson	Experimental Prog.
	Kayleen Johnson	Experimental Prog.
	Jennifer Orr	Experimental Prog.
	Tamara Schroeder	Experimental Prog.
	Marie Soderlund	Experimental Prog.
	Steve Hammero	Experimental Prog.
	Matthew Stueber	Experimental Prog.
	James Sinkel, Jr.	Experimental Prog.
	Matthew Anderson	Experimental Prog.

Region 6 & 8 SW/WC Coop – ALC	Darin Ditterich	Experimental Prog.
Roseau – ALP	Jessica Bordun	Experimental Prog.
Roseau – ALP	Tamara Nelson	Experimental Prog.

2. Approval of the December Board of Teaching minutes.

D. O'Brian requested that board meeting handouts be included with the minutes in handouts and on our web page. J. Barnhill requests that there be more details in the minutes.

C. Non-licensed Community Expert Request

GROUP I – First Time Non-licensed Community Experts

Academic Arts High School	Russell Packard	Arabic Language K-12 Vocal and Classroom Music K-12 Spanish Language K-12
	Julie Peterson	Academic Behavioral Strategist K-12
Bemidji Public School	Christine Boyer	American Sign Language K-12
Best Academy	Charles Bell	Library Media Specialist K-12
DaVinci Academy	Philip Troy	Math 5-8
Harvest Prep School	Charles Bell	Library Media Specialist K-12
Laura Jeffery Academy	Kristin Lynham	Academic Behavioral Strategist K-12
Mastery Schools	Charles Bell	Library Media Specialist K-12
Minneapolis	Augusto Vargas	Science 5-8 Immersion
Rothsay Public School	Jessica Metzger	Parent and Family Education – Adult
	Kirk Peterson	Construction Careers 7-12

First-time Community Experts

J. Bellingham made a motion to deny the request from M. Badal. Motion to approve the request was made by J. Grabowska and seconded by K. Palmen. ***The motion passed.***

J. Grabowska made a motion to approved C. Bell for Best, Harvest Prep. D. O'Brien seconded the motion. Erin Azer, James Barnhill, John Bellingham, Lesa Covington Clarkson, Jim Grabowska, Mike Larson, Diane O'Brien, Karen Palmen, Anne Krafthefer. All board members voted yea with a nay vote from Loy Woelber. ***The motion passed.***

J. Bellingham made a motion that the Community Expert Waiver request be approved for Joan Klitzke, Hmong Academy. M. Larson seconded the motion. Vote was taken by roll call: A. Krafthefer, D. O'Brien, J. Bellingham, Mike Larson, E. Azer, J. Grabowska: nay; J. Barnhill and L. Clarkson abstained from the vote; and L. Woelber: yea. **The motion failed.**

J. Grabowska made a motion to deny N. Nipa's request for approval for Best, Harvest Prep and Mastery schools. M. Larson seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

GROUP II – Community Experts – Renewals/Repeats

Lakes International Language Academy	Ying Liang	Visual Arts Immersion K-12
Minneapolis	Eugenio Coronado Dahir Hassan Dalia Mohamed	Bilingual Elementary Education K-6 Immersion Somali Language K-12 Arabic Language K-12
Sartell – St. Stephen Schools	Hsingi Michelle Chan	Chinese Language K-12
Wayzata Schools	Hsiao-Hsuan Huang	Chinese Language K-12

Renewal Non-licensed Community Experts – M. Larson made a motion to approve the renewal of the first time non-licensed Community Experts and J. Grabowska seconded that motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

L. Woelber moved to approve the renewal of the non-licensed community expert the motion was seconded by M. Larson. **The motion passed.**

D. Discretionary Variance Requests

Anoka – Hennepin	Timothy Howard	Emotional Behavioral Disorder K-12
Ivanhoe	Bev Krog	School Counselor 7-12

K. Palmen made a motion to approve the discretionary variance requests and J. Grabowski seconded the motion. **The motion approved unanimously.**

E. Public Comment

Gwen Rudney, University of Minnesota, verbally presented the MACTE goals and handed out the last MACTE minutes regarding NAEP.

III. Unfinished Business:

A. Streamlining Implementation Timelines – Erin Doan, Interim Executive Director presented updated information regarding the Streamlining Implementation Timelines. R. Wassen reminded the Board that streamlining licensure for out of state candidates is

required by legislative mandate. He stated that Minnesota's licensing system holds high standards for teachers. J. Grabowska made a motion to table the implementation recommendations until legal counsel can review the matter further. K. Palmen seconded that motion. **The motion passed.**

IV. New Business:

A. None at this time

V. Reports:

A. BOT Legislative Committee –

B. Staff Reports: E. Doan, Interim Executive Director gave a staff report to the board. She spoke of the scoring revision letters; EPPAS went into effect in August regarding the program approval process. EPPAS training was offered to programs in September and October and there is a plan to offer additional trainings this summer. Ms. Doan offered NOVUS training to new board members who may be struggling with specific features of the software.

C. Minnesota Department of Education – Kevin McHenry stated that they are preparing for session. They are also working on reducing the number of duplicative mandates and simplifying the statutes.

D. Board Chair Report: Chair Bellingham reported that interviews for the Board of Teaching Executive Director positions were held on 12/18/13. There were seven candidates that were interviewed and the committee has decided on two finalists to be interviewed at a future date yet to be determined. After those interviews are completed, Chair Bellingham will make a recommendation to the Board based on the committee's recommendation for hiring.

VI. Licensure Matters: Chair Bellingham closed the meeting for Licensure Matters at 10:45 a.m.

J. Grabowska moved to approve the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Order denying the licensure renewal application of E. Lindemeyer. K. Palmen seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

J. Grabowska moved to approve the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Order denying the licensure application of Germaine Coleman for six (6) months. E. Azer seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

J. Grabowska made a motion to go back into Open Session at 10:50 a.m. E. Azer seconded that motion. **The motion was approved.**

VII. Adjourn: J. Bellingham made a motion to adjourn the meeting and D. O'Brien seconded the motion. **The motion was approved.** The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Next meeting: Friday, February 14, 2014