

Nebraska Council on Teacher Education

Educator Preparation Advisory Committee to the Nebraska State Board of Education

General Session Agenda – revised 5.8.13

June 6, 2013

Country Inn and Suites, 5353 North 27th Street, Lincoln, NE 68521 – Lincoln Room

9:00 A.M. Registration Open

9:30 A.M. Opening Address and Legislative Update – Jay Sears, Nebraska State
Education Association (NSEA), Director of Instructional Advocacy

First General Session – President Becky Schnabel

Declaration of legal meeting

Announcement of placement of Open Meetings Act information

Call for public comments

Approval of [March 8, 2013 NCTE General Session meeting minutes](#)

Report of [April 25, 2013 Executive Committee meeting minutes](#)

1. Rule Status Report – Sharon Katt, NDE

Rule 20 – Review of Substantive Changes

Rules 21 and 23 – Currently under revision

Rule 24 – Awaiting Attorney General approval and Governor's signature

2. Rule 24 Endorsements – Pat Madsen, NDE and Ad Hoc Chairs

Proposed Endorsements ready for Final Approval:

- Language Arts area Endorsements – *Tricia Parker, NDE, Language Arts Ad-Hoc Chair*
 - [English Language Arts \(field\)](#) – Now Grades 6-12 (Undergraduate Standing Committee recommendation, 3.8.13)
 - [Secondary English \(subject\)](#) – Grades 6-12. Allows teaching English courses only.
 - [Journalism and Media Education \(supplemental\)](#); Grades 7-12 (Executive Committee 4.25.13 – Rules suspended to move this forward with all other Language Arts area endorsements.)
 - [Reading and Writing \(supplemental\)](#); Grades PK-6 or 7-12 (Formerly subject endorsement, grades 7-12)
 - [Speech \(supplemental\)](#); 7-12 (formerly subject endorsement)
 - [Theatre \(supplemental\)](#); 7-12 (formerly subject endorsement)
 - [Reading Specialist \(subject / Graduate\)](#); PK-12
 - Proposal also includes: Eliminate Speech and Theatre (field), Language Arts (field) – replaced by English Language Arts, and English (subject) – replaced by Secondary English (subject).
- Early Childhood Endorsements – *Melody Hobson, NDE and Jan Thelen, NDE Early Childhood Ad-Hoc Co-Chairs*
 - [Early Childhood Inclusive \(field\)](#); Birth-Grade 3 with one area of concentration (B-K or Age 3-Grade 3) – replaces Early Childhood Education Unified (ECEU) Guidelines now include new (2012-2013) CEC/DEC standards (updated after March NCTE meeting) and NAEYC Standards—now a totally blended endorsement. Stronger special education background than current ECEU.

- Early Childhood Education (supplemental); Now PK-Grade 3 (formerly subject endorsement, Birth-Grade 3)
NCTE Graduate Standing Committee, 3.8.13: Added Supplemental to Special Education K-6 or K-12. Endorsement now supplemental to Elementary Education K-6 or Special Education K-6, K-12. EC Ad Hoc Committee original proposal was to eliminate this endorsement, but agreed to make the endorsement supplemental to Elementary Education at the request of several institutions who offer Elementary Education and Early Childhood dual endorsement programs. EC Ad Hoc Committee is not in favor of this endorsement being supplemental to Special Education K-6, K-12.
- Early Childhood Special Education (subject/graduate); Now Birth through Kindergarten (formerly Birth – Grade 3)
- Proposal also includes: Eliminate Early Childhood Education Unified (replaced by Early Childhood Inclusive) and Preschool Disabilities (subject); Discontinue Special Authorization Early Care, B through K (absorbed into Early Childhood Inclusive as one of the Areas of Concentration.)
- Special Education Endorsements – Carol McClain, NDE, Special Education Ad Hoc Chair
 - Special Education (field) – replaces Special Education: Mild/Moderate Disabilities. Includes language revision by NCTE Executive Committee, 4.25.13: “Persons with this endorsement may teach and provide services in accordance with 92 NAC 51 for children and youth who have one or more verified disabilities.”
 - Additional Special Education endorsements will be introduced to NCTE Executive Committee in August. (See list of proposed Special Education endorsements.)

Proposed Endorsement ready for First and Second Hearings:

- Special Education Supervisor – New administrative certificate endorsement; Birth – age 21.

3. Ad Hoc Committee Update – Madsen

Middle Grades will convene late 2013/early 2014 – Sign-up sheets available at

October 11 meeting

Art, General Art – Summer, 2014; Music – Summer, 2014

4. Program Approval – Schnabel

- Concordia University State Approval and NCATE On-Site Visit was successfully completed April 13-16, 2013.
- Chadron State College State Approval and NCATE On-Site Visit was successfully completed April 21-23, 2013.
- Upcoming On-Site Visit: Nebraska Wesleyan University, November 3-5, 2013
- Upcoming Folio Review: Grace University and Midland University – Summer, 2014

5. Election of President-Elect – Schnabel

6. NDE Updates – Katt

- Content/Praxis II Testing – Institutions will be notified of content test tentative required scores in early June, 2013.

- Basic Skills Testing – ETS was chosen as vendor. New basic skills test will be known as Core Academic Skills for Educators (formerly Praxis I/PPST). Nebraska will begin using new Core Academic Skills for Educators test effective September 1, 2014.
- Other Educator Preparation Accountability Initiatives
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12:45 P.M. Standing Committee Session
 Certification Committee – Capitol Room (Lower Level)
 Graduate Committee – Board Room (Upper Level)
 Undergraduate Committee – Lincoln Room

2:00 P.M. Second General Session
 Reports from Standing Committee Chairs
 Certification – Mark Adler
 Graduate – Doreen Jankovich
 Undergraduate – Alan Bone

Full Council Action –
Roll Call Votes:

- Language Arts area endorsements: English Language Arts, Secondary English, Journalism and Media Education, Reading and Writing, Speech, Theatre, Reading Specialist
 Eliminate: Language Arts, English, Speech and Theatre
- Early Childhood area endorsements: Early Childhood Inclusive, Early Childhood, Early Childhood Special Education
 Eliminate: Early Childhood Education Unified, Preschool Disabilities, and Discontinue Special Authorization Early Care (B-K)
- Special Education

NCTE recommendation to the Commissioner for Concordia University and Chadron State College to be recognized as meeting all requirements for State Approval.

NCTE recommendation regarding Rule 20 revisions.

NCTE Member Recognition and Transfer of Presidency – Schnabel

Adjournment