

**NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING AGENDA**

MARCH 5-6, 2012

Location: State Board Meeting Room
State Office Building, Sixth Floor
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509-4987

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Lunch: On March 6, 2012, if necessary, the State Board of Education may break for lunch at 12:00 p.m. The lunch will take place in Conference Room C at the State Office Building, Sixth Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Board may resume work on the agenda at approximately 1:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012– STATE BOARD COMMITTEE MEETINGS

STATE ACCOUNTABILITY AD HOC COMMITTEE (10:00 – 11:00 a.m.) (V-Tel Room)

STANDARDS AD HOC COMMITTEE (11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) (Conference Room C)

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (1:00 – 2:00 p.m.) (Conference Room C)

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING (1:00 – 2:00 p.m.) (Conference Room B)

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012 – WORK SESSION

(Agenda items listed on the work session agenda not completed by adjournment will be carried over to March 6, 2012).

1. CALL TO ORDER (2:00 p.m.)
 - 1.1 Roll Call
 - 1.2 Announcement of the placement of the Open Meetings Act information
2. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS
 - 2.1 Legislative Update (BRIAN HALSTEAD)
 - 2.1.1 State
 - 2.1.2 Federal
 - 2.2 Standards, Assessment and Accountability
 - 2.2.1 [Social Studies Standards update](#) (DONLYNN RICE and KAREN STANLEY)
 - 2.2.2 Accountability Update (PAT ROSCHEWSKI)
 - 2.2.3 Check 4 Learning (C4L) Demonstration (DR. CINDY GRAY, ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS; DR. VALORIE FOY, CRETE PUBLIC SCHOOLS and PAT ROSCHEWSKI, NDE)
 - 2.3 [Discuss the proposed revisions to Rule 10 \(92 NAC 10\), Regulations and Procedures for the Accreditation of Schools](#) (FREIDA LANGE, RICK MOSES and DENNIS MCGUIRE)
 - 2.4 [Discuss the proposed revisions to Rule 14 \(92 NAC 14\), Regulations and Procedures for the Legal Operation of Approved Nonpublic Schools](#) (FREIDA LANGE, RICK MOSES and DENNIS MCGUIRE)
 - 2.5 [Discuss the proposed Rule 84 \(92 NAC 84\), Regulations for the Accreditation of Educational Service Units](#) (FREIDA LANGE)
 - 2.6 [Native American Daughters Curriculum Project](#) (CAROL REMPP)

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012 - BREAKFAST

7:30 – 8:45 a.m. Breakfast with State Board of Education Members and Nebraska Legislators at The Cornhusker Hotel, 333 South 13th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012 - BUSINESS MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER – BUSINESS MEETING (9:00 a.m.)
 - 1.1 Roll Call
 - 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.3 Announcement of the placement of the Open Meetings Act information
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - 2.1 [February 6-7, 2012, Lincoln, Nebraska](#)
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA for March 6, 2012
 - 3.1 Commissioner’s recommendations
4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - 4.1 Request for appearance
 - 4.2 Public Comment Period (An Action Item marked with ** will include time for public comment on that item at the time it is addressed by the Board.)
5. HEARINGS (11:00 a.m.)
 - 5.1 [Hearing in NDE Case No. 12-01, Commissioner v. Cherry Canas](#)
(LESLIE DONLEY)
 - 5.2 [Hearing in NDE Case No. 12-02, Commissioner v. Kimberly Wiedeman](#)
(LESLIE DONLEY)
 - 5.3 [Hearing in NDE Case No. 12-03, Commissioner v. Brandi Jessen](#)
(LESLIE DONLEY)
6. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - 6.1 Contested Cases
7. ACTION ITEMS
 - 7.1 Board actions on legislative issues (BRIAN HALSTEAD)

- 7.2 [Grant the Commissioner the authority to approve a hearing draft of Rule 10 \(92 NAC 10\), Regulations and Procedures for the Accreditation of Schools, and to set a date, time and place for a hearing, and to appoint a hearing official to conduct the hearing on behalf of the State Board](#) (FREIDA LANGE, RICK MOSES and DENNIS MCGUIRE)
- 7.3 [Grant the Commissioner the authority to approve a hearing draft of Rule 14 \(92 NAC 14\), Regulations and Procedures for the Legal Operation of Approved Nonpublic Schools, and to set a date, time and place for a hearing, and to appoint a hearing official to conduct the hearing on behalf of the State Board](#) (FREIDA LANGE, RICK MOSES and DENNIS MCGUIRE)
- 7.4 [Approve the proposed Rule 84 \(92 NAC 84\), Regulations for the Accreditation of Educational Service Units](#) (FREIDA LANGE)
- 7.5 [Approve the proposed revisions to State Board Policy G18, "American Sign Language Policy"](#) (PATRICIA TIMM and VICKIE SCOW)
- 7.6 [Consider the PPC's Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 12-01, Commissioner v. Cherry Canas](#) (LESLIE DONLEY)
- 7.7 [Consider the PPC's Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 12-02, Commissioner v. Kimberly Wiedeman](#) (LESLIE DONLEY)
- 7.8 [Consider the PPC's Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 12-03, Commissioner v. Brandi Jessen](#) (LESLIE DONLEY)
- 8. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (The following items are management decisions and/or legal counsel recommendations, which require Board approval.)
 - 8.1 Identify items for separate vote
 - 8.2 Approve consent agenda

THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS ARE THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 8.3 [Personnel Report](#)
- 8.4 Miscellaneous
 - 8.4.1 [Reaffirm State Board Policy G1, "Nondiscrimination and Equal Educational Opportunity in Schools"](#) (PATRICIA TIMM and MARGARET WORTH)
- 8.5 Grants
(NONE)

- 8.6 Contracts
 - 8.6.1 [Grant the Commissioner the authority to approve a contract with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for the purpose of approving and monitoring programs for veterans education benefits](#) (SHARON KATT and BRAD DIRKSEN)
 - 8.6.2 [Grant the Commissioner the authority to approve an amendment to contract with Liberty Centre Services, Inc. to provide a supported employment program to serve Vocational Rehabilitation mental health consumers](#) (MARK SCHULTZ)
 - 8.6.3 [Grant the Commissioner the authority to continue to contract with Havelka Educational Services to continue to assist with Persistently Low Achieving Schools \(PLAS\) and Educator Effectiveness](#) (DONLYNN RICE and DIANE STUEHMER)
- 8.7 Leases
(NONE)
- 8.8 Committees
 - 8.8.1 [Notification of vacancies on the Nebraska Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council](#) (SHARON KATT and BRAD DIRKSEN)
 - 8.8.2 [Appoint a new member to the Nebraska Private Postsecondary Career Schools Tuition Recovery Cash Fund Advisory Committee](#) (SHARON KATT and BRAD DIRKSEN)
 - 8.8.3 [Notification of vacancies on the State Independent Living Council](#) (MARK SCHULTZ)
- 9. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS (11:30 a.m.)
 - 9.1 Malaika Foundation, Report on funds for teachers experiences in other countries (DENISE PEDERSEN, BARR MIDDLE SCHOOL, GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA; LEE KALLSTROM, OMAHA NORTH MAGNET ENGINEERING SCHOOL and VICKIE SCOW, NDE)
- 10. BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (Brief general discussion by Board members of possible topics for future Board meetings; requests for reports or studies to be conducted by the Commissioner and staff; and reports of activities and information from Board members.)
 - 10.1 Dates for joint meetings with policy partners
 - 10.1.1 NRCSA Spring Conference, State Board Roundtable, March 22, 2012, Holiday Inn and Convention Center, Kearney, Nebraska

- 10.1.2 2012 State Data Conference, April 2-3, 2012, Younes Conference Center, Kearney, Nebraska
- 10.2 Approve request for meeting attendance
- 10.3 Meeting participation
 - 10.3.1 Reports from Molly O'Holleran and John Sieler from attending the Nebraska Association for the Gifted Spring Conference at the Scott Conference Center, Omaha, Nebraska, February 28-29, 2012
- 10.4 Legislative Committee report
- 10.5 Policy Committee report
- 10.6 State Accountability Ad Hoc Committee report
- 10.7 Standards Ad Hoc Committee report
- 11. INFORMATION ITEMS/WRITTEN REPORTS (The following items are for Board information only. They require official notice. No presentation planned. No requested action planned.)
 - 11.1 Statutorily required notice of contracts involving public employees
 - 11.2 [Contracts approved by Commissioner](#)
 - 11.3 [State Board Policy B9, "Rule Development" for review](#) (MARGARET WORTH)
 - 11.4 [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act \(IDEA\) grants/contracts report](#) (GARY SHERMAN)

ADJOURNMENT – The next regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Friday, April 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at the Nebraska State Office Building, Nebraska Department of Education, Sixth Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509. A work session will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the Nebraska State Office building, Nebraska Department of Education, Sixth Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509.

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