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NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Nebraska Department of Education
Minutes of Meeting
October 5-6, 2010

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION – Tuesday, October 5, 2010

The State Board of Education met for purposes of a work session on Tuesday, October 5, 2010, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The session was held at the State Office Building in the State Board Meeting Room in Lincoln, Nebraska. Publicized notice of the session was given by posting notice on the Department's website on the internet; emailed to news media requesting notification and posting a copy of the agenda in the Office of the Commissioner of Education, which gave the date, time and location of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 President Imes called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. Roll call showed the following members present: Robert Evnen, Fred Meyer (arrived at 2:08); Patricia Timm, Joe Higgins, Rebecca Valdez, Mark Quandahl (left at 5:10 p.m.), Jim Scheer, and Kandy Imes. Commissioner Breed was also present.
- 1.2 President Imes announced the placement of the Open Meetings Act.

2. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- 2.1 Legislative Update
Brian Halstead, Department of Education representative, provided the Board with the proposed calendar for the 2011 Legislative Session. Mr. Halstead also provided an update on state and federal legislation.
- 2.2 Standards, Assessment and Accountability
 - 2.2.1 Donlynn Rice and Jim Woodland, Department of Education representatives, discussed the Nebraska Science Content Standards. (Handout: State Board Science Standards Update PowerPoint dated October 5, 2010)

- 2.2.2 Pat Roschewski, Department of Education representative, discussed state accountability. (Handout: Proposed: Nebraska State Accountability Framework dated October 5, 2010) The Board will review the handout and provide feedback to Pat Roschewski, Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner.
- 2.2.3 Marilyn Peterson, Department of Education representative, provided a Federal/ARRA report. (Handout: ARRA Assurances PowerPoint dated October 2010)

President Imes called for a break at 3:30 p.m. The meeting resumed at 3:45 p.m.

- 2.3 Marilyn Peterson, Department of Education Representative, discussed the Data Access Policy. (Handout: Draft of State Board Policy on Data Access and Use G22) The Board will be asked to adopt the State Board Policy on Data Access and Use at the November Board meeting.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSIONS

- 3.1 Dr. Roger Butters, Nebraska Council on Economic Education, provided information on Economic Education. (Handout: Nebraska Council on Economic Education Advancing Economic and Financial Literacy brochure)

2. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- 2.4 Margaret Worth, Department of Education representative, discussed Board Policy B8, *Policy, Bylaw and Position Statement Development*. The State Board will be asked to take action on the policy during the business meeting on Wednesday, October 8, 2010.
- 2.6 Mike Kozak and Freida Lange, Department of Education representatives, reported on virtual schools in Nebraska. (Handouts: NDE: 2010 Report on Equipment and Incentives Distribution dated August 31, 2010; iNACOL Fast Facts About Online Learning)

Mark Quandahl left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Discussion Items 2.5 and 2.7 will be incorporated into the business meeting on Wednesday.

President Imes adjourned the work session at 5:15 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING – Wednesday, October 6, 2010

The State Board of Education met for purposes of a meeting on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The session was held at the State Office Building, Sixth Floor, in the State Board Meeting Room in Lincoln, Nebraska. Publicized notice of the session was given by posting notice on the Department's website on the internet; emailed to news media requesting notification and posting a copy of the agenda in the Office of the Commissioner of Education, which gave the date, time and location of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

President Kandy Imes called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. Roll call showed the following members present: Jim Scheer, Joe Higgins, Patricia Timm, Fred Meyer, Robert Evnen, Kandy Imes, and Rebecca Valdez. Mark Quandahl was absent. Commissioner Breed was also present.

1.2 President Imes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 President Imes announced the placement of the Open Meetings Act.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Joe Higgins, second by Jim Scheer: To approve the minutes of the State Board Meeting held September 1-2, 2010.

Voting Yes: Imes, Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl

The motion passed.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Breed recommended that Work Session Discussion item 2.5 be taken after the Public Participation session and that Work Session Discussion Item 2.7 be taken as part of Board Discussion item 10.1.

Motion by Robert Evnen, second by Rebecca Valdez: To approve the agenda with the recommendations of the Commissioner.

Voting Yes: Imes, Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl

The motion passed.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Jay Sears, NSEA – UNK State and National Accreditation Team – Thanks to Fred Meyer, Patricia Timm and Joe Higgins for participating
- Jay Sears, NSEA, Rebecca Valdez, State Board Member, National Engagement Summit Call to Action for Family-School-Community (Handout: A Call to Action for Family-School-Community National Engagement Summit September 13-14, 2010)

2. WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2.5 Sharon Katt and Kevin Peters, Department of Education representatives, provided an update on implementation of Dual Credit and Career Education Certificates, Rule 21 (92 NAC 21), Issuance of Certificates and Permits to Teach, Provide Special Services, and Administer in Nebraska Schools. (Handout: Title 92, Chapter 21, Section 005.17-22)

7. ACTION ITEMS

- 7.1 Motion by Joe Higgins, second by Fred Meyer: To adopt the Nebraska Science Content standards.

Voting Yes: Imes, Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl

The motion passed.

- 7.2 Motion by Patricia Timm, second by Robert Evnen: To approve Board Policy B8, Policy Bylaw and Position Statement Development.

Voting Yes: Imes, Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl

The motion passed.

- 7.3 Motion by Robert Evnen, second by Patricia Timm: To grant the Commissioner authority to accept the Nebraska's 2010 K-12 Summer of Innovation Capacity Building Initiative grant from the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center.

Voting Yes: Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl, Imes

The motion passed.

- 7.4 Motion by Rebecca Valdez, second by Patricia Timm: To grant the Commissioner authority to contract with Four Wings, Inc., to facilitate the implementation of Nebraska's 2010 K-12 Summer of Innovation Capacity Building Initiative grant from the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center.

Voting Yes: Imes, Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl

The motion passed.

8. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Joe Higgins, second by Patricia Timm: To approve the Consent Agenda as published.

Voting Yes: Imes, Scheer, Valdez, Higgins, Timm, Meyer, Evnen
Absent: Quandahl

The motion passed.

2. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION/BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2.7/10.1 The Board discussed Nebraska Association of School Boards (NASB) State Board presentation at the state education conference November 17-19, 2010, La Vista Conference Center/Embassy Suites. Commissioner Breed will present a draft agenda and program at the November meeting for Board review and input.

10. BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 10.1 Request for joint meetings with policy partners
- 10.1.1 Legislative Committee to meet with NSAA Committee around November Board meeting
 - 10.1.2 Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education – luncheon in January
- 10.3 Meeting participation
- 10.3.1 Joe Higgins and Patricia Timm participated in the Nebraska Council on Teacher Education (NCTE) Elementary Education Ad Hoc committee meeting in Lincoln on September 23, 2010.

President Imes called for a brief break at 10:37 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:45 a.m.

10.3.2 Sue Henry, Elisabeth Reinkordt, and Mary Ann Losh, Department of Education representatives; and Brent Meier, Program Coordinator with El Centro de los Américas reported on the September 20 Hispanic/Latino conference held in La Vista, Nebraska. (Handout: When We Stop Counting)

10.3.3 Fred Meyer reported on his involvement with the UNK National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) Accreditation meeting on September 20.

There being no further business to come before the board, President Imes adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.