Minutes of the State Board of Education Meetings
August 8-9, 2019
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska
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# STATE BOARD WORK SESSION, Thursday, August 8, 2019, 2:00 p.m.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER. President Witzel called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- 1.1. Roll Call

Members present: John Witzel, Maureen Nickels, Patricia Timm, Patsy Koch Johns,

Rachel Wise, Robin Stevens, Lisa Fricke, and Deborah Neary

Commissioner Matthew L. Blomstedt was also present.

1.2. President Witzel announced the placement of the Open Meetings Act.

#### 2. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT AND AGENDA OVERVIEW

Commissioner Blomstedt noted the efforts of the Department staff relating to the change of approach to Administrators' Days. The NDE Day was achieved by a virtual conference because of the flooding damage in Kearney, Nebraska.

Commissioner Blomstedt noted that Item 8.1. under Special Presentations And Discussions (Business Meeting Item) would be held during this Work Session due to travel restrictions of the speaker.

Commissioner Blomstedt also noted that Deputy Commissioner Mark Schultz accepted a position in Washington, D.C. He also noted that Steve Milliken will serve as interim Deputy Commissioner.

- 2.1. Commissioner Blomstedt reviewed the process for the Consent Agenda.
- 2.2. Commissioner Blomstedt reviewed the Report on Rules included in the Board materials.
- 2.3. Board Priorities and Policy Research

2.3.A. Presentation of the revised Strategic Vision and Direction topic, President Witzel moved to Item 8 on the Agenda. The presentation will take place at a later time.

# 8. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS (Business Meeting Item)

8.1. Presentation of State Leadership Playbook

Reg Leichty, Foresight Law + Policy, reviewed the Playbook with the Board. Following the review, continued discussions will be planned.

2.4. Presentation on Nebraska Instructional Materials Collaborative will be take place at a later time.

President Witzel called for a break at 3:00 p.m. The meeting resumed at 3:09 p.m.

#### 3.0. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 3.1. Policy Committee. Patricia Timm, Chair, provided the following information from the meeting of the Committee. The Policy Committee will start a scheduled review on State Board Position Statement S7, Anti-Bullying; State Board Bylaw B11, Legal Assistance; and State Board Policy P1, Political Activities/Use of Resources in September.
- 3.1.A. Adopt proposed revisions to State Board Policy P3, Delegation to Commissioner

The Policy Committee noted that proposed language to clarify when an action is committed by law or regulation to the Board, when it is committed to the Department as a whole and may be delegated to the Commissioner's decision. The Committee recommends that the State Board adopt the revisions at their business meeting on August 9, 2019.

3.1.B. Adopt the Resolution to Recognize the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the GI Bill and commend its importance in providing equity to Nebraskans

The Committee recommends that the Resolution be adopted at their business meeting on August 9, 2019.

3.1.C. Discuss proposed revisions to State Board Bylaw B16, Board Member Expenses

The Committee noted that this Bylaw has been monitored because of potential legislative action which did not end up being passed. The Committee discussed the Bylaw and proposed revisions will come to the full Board for action at the September meeting.

3.2 Legislative Committee. Maureen Nickels, Chair, provided the following information from the meeting.

3.2.A. 2019-2020 Legislative and Regulatory Priorities

Maureen Nickels thanked the Committee and staff for their efforts on this Committee. A draft of the legislative priorities is included in the board material and available for review by the Board. The Committee recommends approval of the document at the September meeting.

- 3.3. Commissioner's Appraisal Committee. Patricia Timm, Chair, informed the Board that the Committee will meet the morning of August 9, 2019. No report at this time.
- 3.4. AQuESTT Teaching and Learning Domain Committee. Lisa Fricke provided information from the meeting.
- 3.4.A. Grant temporary approval to Bellevue University to implement their plan to phase in a Teacher Education Program.
  - Brad Dirksen and Kelly Heineke, Department of Education representatives, provided additional information on the program.
- 3.4.B. Approval of 2019-2020 Nebraska Council on Teacher Education (NCTE) Membership Roster.

Brad Dirksen, Department of Education representative, provided information relating to NCTE vacancy appointments by the Board, noting who the Board had selected to serve. The Department will provide additional information on the NCTE Board and the process for naming members to the Board at a future meeting.

3.4.C. Approve the Educator Preparation Program in Nebraska Colleges and Universities for 2019-2020.

Kelly Heineke, Department of Education representative, provided information on the preparation programs.

3.4.D. Repeal Rule 46 (92 NAC 46), <u>Regulations and Procedures for Career Education</u>

<u>Partnership Act Grants</u>

The Committee recommends approval to repeal Rule 46, an inactive rule for many years.

3.4.E. Presentation of the Proposed Draft of the Nebraska World Language Standards

The committee discussed the draft of the new World Language Standards. Cory Epler and Stephanie Call provided a brief summary of the standard development process. The standards will be brought to the Board for action in September.

- 3.5. AQuESTT Student Success and Access Domain Committee Patsy Koch Johns shared information from the Committee meeting.
- 3.5.A. Approve Public School Districts and Educational Service Units that have established Early Childhood Education Programs in accordance with the provision of Rule 11. The Committee received information on the early childhood education program approval process under Rule 11. The Committee recommends approval of the programs.
- 3.5.B. Approve Morrill Public Schools Early Childhood Program

The Committee received information on this program. Department Staff have thoroughly reviewed the conditions of the program and recommend approval of this program for the 2019-2020 year. The Committee recommends approval of this program.

3.5.C. Approve Grand Island Public Schools' Early Childhood Program to offer fewer than 450 instructional hours due to severe weather during the 2018-2019 school year

The early childhood program was only able to offer 449 hours, or less than required. Considering the severe weather circumstances, the Committee recommends approval of the program.

3.5.D. Grant conditional approval under Rule 14 for the Applicant Nonpublic School to operate in the 2019-20 school year

Information was received by the Committee on the Omaha Catholic School Consortium Dual Language Academy for conditional approval per Rule 14 as a nonpublic school. The Committee recommends approval of this item.

3.5.E. Repeal Rule 53 (92 NAC 53), Regulations for Special Education Residential Care

Due to the repeal of the state statutes relating to this item, the Committee recommends repeal of this rule.

3.5.F. "Nebraska! Every Day Counts" Attendance Resolution

The Committee received information on a proposed resolution related to the importance of school attendance and efforts to address chronic absence. Shirley Vargas and Lane Carr, Department of Education representatives, shared more information with the Board.

The Committee recommends the Board consider adoption on this resolution at the September meeting.

3.5.G. Review Draft of Equity Lens report on committee meeting

The Committee has reviewed drafts of equity lens over the last several months. The purpose of the equity lens is for the Board members to consider each person we serve as equitable decisions are made. Following Board discussion, the Committee recommends that the Board take action on the equity lens at the September meeting.

3.5.H. State Board Position Statement S1, <u>Nondiscrimination and Equal Educational Opportunity</u> in Schools

The Committee reviewed Board Position Statement S1 at the request of the Policy Committee. Proposed language in the revised position statement comes from other NDE documents. The Committee returned the review back to the Policy Committee to bring before the Board at the September meeting.

- 3.6. Budget and Finance Committee John Witzel, Chair, reported on the meeting noting the budget report.
- 3.7. Strategic Planning, Performance and Improvement Committee Rachel Wise, Chair, provided a review of information from the Committee meeting.
- 3.7.A. Accept the Affidavit of School Closing, due to severe weather, filed by Cody-Kilgore Unified Schools, and grant permission to that district to offer fewer than the minimum instructional hours for school year 2018-2019 under the waiver provisions contained in State Statute 79-213 R.R.S. and NDE Rule 10

Cody Kilgore was the only Nebraska school to submit a waiver to offer fewer than minimum instructional hours. The Committee recommends approval of the action item.

3.7.B. Proposed changes to Board Policy S2, <u>Accountability for Quality Education System, Today & Tomorrow (AQuESTT)</u>

Rachel Wise summarized the July committee meetings as it related to AQuESTT accountability, position statement as it frames, accountability for accreditation, accountability, and assessment.

## 4.0 BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSIONS ITEMS

4.1. Meeting participation and joint meetings with policy partners

Board members were asked to review the information in Sparq for travel reports.

4.2. Meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved will be addressed during the business meeting on Friday.

- 4.3. Board members were asked to provide requests for future meeting attendance.
- 4.4. Monthly Board Travel Expense Reports were provided.

## 5.0. ADJOURNMENT

President Witzel adjourned the work session at 4:27 p.m. The regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Education will reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on August 9, 2019, in the State Board Meeting Room, State Office Building, in Lincoln, Nebraska.

### STATE BOARD WORK SESSION, Friday, August 9, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Roll Call showed the following members present:

John Witzel Maureen Nickels Rachel Wise Patricia Timm Patsy Koch-Johns (left at 11:20 a.m.) Lisa Fricke

Deborah Neary Robin Stevens

Commissioner Blomstedt was also present.

- 1.2. President Witzel led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 1.3. President Witzel announced the placement of the Open Meetings Act information.

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2.1. Approval of the June 6-7, 2019, as published passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Patsy Koch Johns.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3.1. Commissioner noted that 8. Special Presentations and Discussions, Item 8.1., Presentation of the State Leadership Playbook, was held during the Work Session of the Board on Thursday. He also noted that Item 8.2., Nebraska Teacher of the Year Report, could be taken immediately before Public Comment. Work Session Item 2.4. Presentation on Nebraska Instructional Materials Collaborative, will be added to the September Agenda.

Approval of the agenda as recommended passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

### 4.0. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

4.1. There were no requests for 10-Minute Special Appearance.

#### 4.2. Public Comment

- Mary Lea Free, spoke in support of the foreign language standards. She also read into the record a letter of support from Jacqueline Moore.
- Rebecca Gill-Rose spoke in support of the foreign language standards.
- Randy Bertolas, Geographic Educators of Nebraska, spoke in support of the State Social Studies standards.

### 5. HEARINGS

- 5.1 At 10:00 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-10, <u>Commissioner v. Marcus Perry.</u> Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to permanently revoke the teaching certificate of the Respondent. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10:02 a.m.
- 5.2. At 10:03 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-11, <u>Commissioner v. Amber Douthit</u> (<u>Jasa</u>). Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to revoke the teaching certificate of the Respondent for a period of ten (10) years. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10:05 a.m.
- 5.3. At 10:05 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-12, <u>Commissioner v. Matthew Hoffman</u>. Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to permanently revoke the teaching certificate of the Respondent. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10:06 a.m.
- 5.4. At 10:06 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-13, <u>Commissioner v. Jaimi</u>
  <u>Nicholson</u>. Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to suspend the teaching certificate of the Respondent for a period of one (1) year. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L.

- Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10:08 a.m.
- 5.5. At 10:08 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-14, <u>Commissioner v. NiCole Merchant</u>. Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to suspend the teaching certificate of the Respondent for a period of one (1) year. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10.09 a.m.
- 5.6. At 10:10 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-15, <u>Commissioner v. Jennifer Pattee</u>. Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to suspend the teaching certificate of the Respondent for a period of one (1) year. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10:11 a.m.
- 5.7. At 10:11 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-16, <u>Commissioner v. Sharon Kramer.</u> Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to revoke the teaching certificate of the Respondent for a period of ten (10) years. Sara Hulac, representing the Petitioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing closed at 10:13 a.m.
- 5.8. At 10:14 a.m., a hearing was held in NDE Case No. 19-17, <u>In the Matter of Reinstatement of Dwain Borchers</u>. Kellie Muthersbaugh, on behalf of Professional Practices Commission, presented the Commission's recommendation to allow the Petitioner to apply for reinstatement of his teaching certificate. Sara Hulac, representing the Commissioner, Matthew L. Blomstedt, appeared in support of the recommendation. The Petitioner was present and represented himself. The hearing closed at 10:17 a.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion to go into Executive session at 10:18 a.m. to deliberate and receive legal advice from Legal Counsel on contested cases passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

At 10:18 a.m., the Board moved into Executive session to deliberate and receive legal advice from Legal Counsel on contested cases.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and return to the meeting of the Board at 10:39 a.m. passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

At 10:39 a.m., the meeting of the Board resumed.

### 6. ACTION ITEMS

- 6.1 Policy Committee
- 6.1.A. Motion to adopt proposed revisions to State Board Policy P3, Delegation to Commissioner, passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

6.1.B. Patricia Timm read the Resolution to Recognize the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the GI Bill into the record.

Motion to Adopt the Resolution to Recognize the 75th Anniversary of the GI Bill and Commend its Importance in Providing Equity to Nebraskans passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

- 6.2. There were no actions to take from the Legislative Committee.
- 6.3. There were no actions to take from the Commissioner's Appraisal Committee.
- 6.4. AQuESTT Teaching and Learning Domain Committee
- 6.4.A. Motion to grant temporary approval to Bellevue University to implement their plan to phase in a teacher education program passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

6.4.B. Motion to approve of 2019-2020 Nebraska Council on Teacher Education (NCTE) membership roster passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

- 6.4.C. Motion to approve the educator preparation programs in Nebraska colleges and universities for 2019-20 passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Rachel Wise.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.4.D. Motion to repeal Rule 46 (92 NAC 46), <u>Regulations and Procedures for Career Education</u>

  <u>Partnership Act Grants</u> passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Patricia Timm.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.5. AQuESTT Student Success and Access Domain Committee
- 6.5.A. Motion to approve Public School Districts and Educational Service Units that have established Early Childhood Education Programs in accordance with the provision of Rule 11 passed with a motion by Patsy Koch Johns and a second by Patricia Timm.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.5.B. Motion to approve Morrill Public Schools Early Childhood Program passed with a motion by Patsy Koch Johns and a second by Rachel Wise.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.5.C. Motion to approve Grand Island Public Schools' Early Childhood Program to offer fewer than 450 instructional hours due to severe weather during the 2018-2019 school year passed with a motion by Patsy Koch Johns and a second by Patricia Timm.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.5.D. Motion to grant conditional approval under Rule 14 for the Applicant Nonpublic School to operate in the 2019-20 school year passed with a motion by Patsy Koch Johns and a second by Patricia Timm.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.5.E. Motion to repeal Rule 53 (92 NAC 53), <u>Regulations for Special Education Residential Care</u> passed with a motion by Patsy Koch Johns and a second by Patricia Timm.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.6. There were no actions to take from the Budget and Finance Committee.
- 6.7. Strategic Planning, Performance, and Improvement Committee

- 6.7.A. Motion to accept the Affidavit of School Closing, due to severe weather, filed by Cody-Kilgore Unified Schools, and grant permission to that district to offer fewer than the minimum instructional hours for school year 2018-2019 under the waiver provisions contained in State Statute 79-213 R.R.S. and NDE Rule 10 passed with a motion by Rachel Wise and a second by Patsy Koch Johns.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.8. Motion by Rachel Wise, second by Patricia Timm in *Commissioner v. Marcus Perry*, NDE Case No. 19-10, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, permanently revoking Respondent's special services permit, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.9. Motion by Maureen Nickels, second by Robin Stevens: In *Commissioner v. Amber Douthit (Jasa)*, NDE Case No. 19-11, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, revoking Respondent's teaching certificate for a period of ten years, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.10 Motion by Patricia Timm, second by Lisa Fricke: In *Commissioner v. Matthew Hoffman*, NDE Case No. 19-12, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, permanently revoking Respondent's administrative certificate, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.11 Motion by Patsy Koch Johns, second by Deborah Near: In *Commissioner v. Jaimi Nicholson*, NDE Case No. 19-13, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, suspending Respondent's teaching certificate for one year, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.12 Motion by Patricia Timm, second by Rachel Wise: In *Commissioner v. NiCole Merchant*, NDE Case No. 19-14, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission,

suspending Respondent's teaching certificate for one year, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

6.13 Motion by Robin Stevens, second by Deborah Neary: In *Commissioner v. Jennifer Pattee*, NDE Case No. 19-15, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, suspending Respondent's teaching certificates for one year, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

6.14 Motion by Maureen Nickels, second by Patricia Timm: In *Commissioner v. Sharon Kramer*, NDE Case No. 19-16, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, revoking Respondent's teaching certificate for a period of ten years, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

6.15 Motion by Lisa Fricke, second by Patsy Koch Johns: *In the Matter of the Reinstatement of Dwain Borchers*, NDE Case No. 19-17, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, allowing Petitioner to apply for a teaching certificate, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion to go into Executive session at 10:51 a.m. to deliberate and receive legal advice from Legal Counsel on Enrollment Option contested cases passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

At 10:51 a.m., the Board moved into Executive session to deliberate and receive legal advice from Legal Counsel on Enrollment Option contested cases.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and return to the meeting of the Board at 11:23 a.m. passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

At 11:23 a.m., the meeting of the Board resumed.

## 6.0. ACTION ITEMS (continued)

- 6.16 To adopt the Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Decision affirming the Respondent School District's decision in NDE Enrollment Option Case No. 19-05, <u>Reynolds v. Westside Community Schools passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patricia Timm.</u>
  - Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel
- 6.17. To adopt the Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Decision affirming the Respondent School District's decision in NDE Enrollment Option Case No. 19-08, <u>Avila v. Northwest Public Schools</u> passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Maureen Nickels.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Witzel

Voting No: Wise

### 7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

7.2. Approval of the Consent Agenda as published passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Koch Johns, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Patsy Koch Johns left the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

# 9.0. BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **9.1.** Meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved
- 9.1.A. Approval of Meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Lisa Fricke passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Abstain: Fricke Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.B. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Patsy Koch Johns passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Lisa Fricke.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.C. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Deborah Neary passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Abstain: Neary
Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.D. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Maureen Nickels passed with a motion by Patricia Timm and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Neary, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Abstain: Nickels Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.E. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Robin Stevens passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Neary, Nickels, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Abstain: Stevens Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.F. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Patricia Timm passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Rachel Wise.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Wise, Witzel

Abstain: Timm Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.G. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for Rachel Wise passed with a motion by Lisa Fricke and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Witzel

Abstain: Wise

Absent: Koch Johns

9.1.H. Approval of meetings that took place in the past and were not previously approved for John Witzel passed with a motion by Rachel Wise and a second by Lisa Fricke.

Voting Yes: Fricke, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Abstain: Witzel

Absent: Koch Johns

# 9.2. Future Meeting participation

Approval for meeting participation passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patricia Timm.

Voting Yes: Witzel, Fricke, Neary, Nickels, Stevens, Timm, Wise, Witzel

Absent: Koch Johns

# 11.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Witzel adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Friday, September 6, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., in the Nebraska State Office Building, in Lincoln, Nebraska. A work session will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. at the Nebraska State Office Building, Lincoln, Nebraska.