



Nebraska Council on Teacher Education (NCTE)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 25, 2023

Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: <https://educationne.zoom.us/j/94141735168>

Attendees: Members - S. Skretta, S. Stake, P. Ludeke, J. Jansky, B. Dirksen, K. Heineke
Guest - M. Beiermann

Call to Order: S. Skretta called meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

- Welcome and Introductions – All present introduced themselves
- Approval of April 14, 2023 Executive Committee Minutes: Motion by Dirksen, Seconded by Stake. Minutes approved.
- Review of June 9, 2023 Full Council Meeting Minutes - Skretta
- Review of June 9, 2023 Minutes from Standing Committees

Rule Reports:

Status of Rules in Approval Process:

- Rule 20 – At Attorney General’s office for review before moving forward to governor for approval
- Rule 21 – At Attorney General’s office for review before moving forward to governor for approval
- Rule 24 – At Attorney General’s office for review before moving forward to governor for approval

The State Board is working on the revision process, so Rules 21 and 24 will be opened, as the State Board is working on revisions for these rules. Due to a backlog at the Attorney General’s office, Rules 20 and 24 might take longer for processing.

Legislative Update: Dirksen

- Bill 705 influences education, along with the implementation of other bills
- Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact has been reviewed.

Program Approval Schedule:

- Program Approval Schedule – Heineke
 - Wayne State College Offsite Visit was April 17-21, 2023
 - College of St. Mary Offsite Visit was July 17-21 2023
 - Union College Offsite Visit is September 18-23, 2023
 - Union College Onsite visit is in February, 2024
 - University of Nebraska-Kearney Offsite Visit is January 2024
 - York University Offsite Visit is in Fall/Winter – TBD

Status of Rule 24 Endorsements in the Review Process: Micki Charf, NDE

- Ad Hoc recommendations include:
 - Name change to **Early Childhood Special Education** endorsement.
 - Section 006.60D - Added the words “undergraduate or” when referring to the minimum number of semester hours of course work needed in Early Childhood Education and Early Intervention/Early Childhood Special Education.
 - Section 006.60D1 - Completely eliminate this section.



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- Executive Committee Recommendations:
 - Section 006.60D - Remove the words “undergraduate or graduate” when referring to the number of semester hours of course work needed in this section.
- Motion to advance this endorsement for approval at the October 6 NCTE meeting made by Stake; seconded by Jansky. Motion approved.

Unfinished Business:

- New and current member development - Heineke
- Repeat New Member Orientation Process that was done in 2022.
 - Executive Committee Orientation meeting will be held with new members prior to the start of the October 6 full council meeting. This meeting will explain the purpose of NCTE and how the NCTE meetings work.

New Business:

- NCTE Presentation to the State Board of Education
 - Highlight and emphasize that the NCTE and NACTE are different organizations.
 - Explain and review the purpose of the NCTE because it is an advisory group to the State Board. However, it is noted that the NCTE is not an advisory group to NDE.
 - NCTE membership numbers provides various views, multiple aspects and discussions, and input from across the state regarding education in Nebraska. The value of the diverse composition of membership and the size should be specifically addressed.
 - Power Point presentation will be incorporated into presentation.
- Request will be made to present the annual NCTE report to the State Board at the September meeting.

Working Lunch – 11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m

New Business (cont.):

- NCTE Membership Roster – Reviewed new members on the Standing Committee roster.
- State Board Priorities
 - Science of Reading – Will be part of Rule 20. NCTE will work on supports to address the Science of Reading.
- Standing Committee Structure Modifications –
 - To maximize efficiencies of committee discussion and increase workload capacity, each committee will be assigned a minimum of 1 unique topic each meeting. This allows for a variety of discussion among more topics, as well as providing more input from members.
 - Success of this modification will be assessed in June 2024.

Development of Agenda for October 6, 2023 Full Council Meeting:

9:30 A.M. First General Session – President Sara Skretta

- *Declaration of Legal Meeting*
- *Announcement of placement of Open Meetings Act information*
- *Call for public comments*
- *Approval of June 9, 2023 Full Council Meeting Minutes*
- *Report of August 25, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting*
- *Introduction of new members*
- *Meeting norms and framing of discussion aspect of meeting*



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9:50 A.M. NDE updates

- *Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement Revision: Micki Charf - NDE*
- *Guest Speaker- Brad Dirksen - NDE*
Rules 21, 24 revisions and changes to Rule making process
Debrief: Rules 21, 24, Rule making process

11:15-Break

11:30 A.M. Standing Committee Agenda Review- Skretta

- *Committee:*
 - *SWOT analysis/goals from June meeting*
 - *Expand on Rules 21, 24 revisions pros and cons*
- *Committee:*
 - *Early Childhood Endorsement;*
 - *Expand on Rules 21, 24 revisions pros and cons*
- *Committee:*
 - *NCTE's impact (part of the solution in supporting the board's priorities) on retention and workforce shortages*
 - *Expand on Rules 21, 24 revisions pros and cons*
- *Committee Discussions*

12:30-1:30 P.M. Working Lunch:

- *Informational items –*
 - *Rule status report – Dirksen*
 - *Program Approval Update-- Heineke*
 - *NDE call for Union College folio reviewers*
 - *Call for revision endorsement ad hoc committees--Heineke*
 - *Teacher Shortage Summit—Skretta*
 - *NCTE September presentation to the State Board of Education--Skretta*
 - *Committee Chairs report*
 - *Specific recommendations for other committees to address*

1:30-2:45 Committees reconvene

2:45-3:15 PM Committee chairs report

- *Role call vote on ECE endorsement*

3:15-3:30 P.M. Closing

3:30 PM Adjourn

Adjourn: Skretta adjourned NCTE Executive Committee meeting at 1:30 p.m.