

WYOMING STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

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Wyoming State Board of Vocational Education members present: Ron Micheli, Joe Reichardt, Scotty Ratliff, Kathy Coon, Cindy Hill, Sue Belish, Pete Gosar, Belenda Willson, Walt Wilcox, Dana Mann-Tavegia, Matt Garland and Hugh Hageman

Members absent: Jim Rose

Also present: Teri Wigert, Wyoming Department of Education (WDE); John Masters, WDE; Chelsie Bailey, WDE; Julie Magee, WDE; Mary Kay Hill, Governor's Office; Laurel Ballard, ETS; Ruth Sommers, LSO; Mike Flicek, LSO; Nancy Cerroni, Big Horn CSD #2; David Snyder, Fremont CSD #21; Dr. Richard McClements, Fremont CSD #21 and Mackenzie Williams, Attorney General's Office (AG)

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#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Joe Reichardt called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Chelsie Bailey conducted roll call and established that a quorum was present.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ron Micheli moved to approve the agenda as presented seconded by Dana Mann Tavegia; the motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the November 17, 2011, State Board of Vocational Education meeting were presented for approval.

Sue Belish moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Walt Wilcox; the motion carried.

#### SECONDARY TO POST-SECONDARY ALIGNMENT

Teri Wigert notified the Board that Guy Jackson would not assist with her presentations at the meetings.

Teri Wigert addressed the motion that was made at the November 17 meeting. Ms. Wigert referred to the statutes that were provided in the packet, which include both state and federal laws. The State Board of Education is responsible for approving the Career and Technical education standards; there are six different standards.

The standards committees are appointed by the standards team at the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE), which is lead by Julie Magee. There is a constructive list of suggestions of representation around the state for all content areas; the committees will include about 30-35 people, and at this time they have not been appointed.

Teri Wigert also added that at the national level, the state directors of career and technical education have begun looking at common standards. With the State Superintendent's authorization, the WDE is participating in the work. Teri Wigert wanted to clarify to the Board that the Department has not joined a consortium.

Teri Wigert reviewed the rest of the statutes with the Board.

The second issue addressed by Ms. Wigert is how students get from "Point A to Point B" in transition from secondary to post-secondary education. She provided the Board with chapters from the Wyoming CTE strategic plan, in particular Chapter 6 on "Articulation", and discussed the process between districts and colleges. Also provided in the packet were examples of an articulation plan.

Sue Belish requested that Teri Wigert and her team put together a list of articulations for each school district to see if there are gaps in the smaller districts around the state.

#### SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH (STEM)

STEM is a Career and Technical education initiative. STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and math. A STEM summit lead by the P-16 council was held the first week in February of this year. Teri Wigert reviewed the following from the packet: the Governor's letter regarding the STEM disciplines, a brief summary of the STEM initiative, list of attendees of the summit, and presentations from presenters. The next step for the STEM initiative is to bring CTE teachers and science teachers together this summer to talk about and work together on pre standards. Teri Wigert invites the Board to participate in the summer work.

#### CARL D. PERKINS PLAN REVISIONS AND BUDGET

Teri Wigert notified the Board that she had communicated with the Chair, Joe Reichardt, that the State Board of Vocational Education is the eligible agency to receive federal funds and the Board must submit official documentation required by the U.S. Department of Education. Each year Wyoming submits a letter that transmits changes in the strategic plan and a budget plan. There will be no changes this year. Teri Wigert reviewed with the Board the letter that was sent to the U.S. Department of Education.

Teri Wigert will return to the Board if the state administrative match is challenged due to 8% budget cuts.

Teri Wigert presented to the Board a document that lists the declining enrollment in Career and Technical Education. Only about 5,000 students are taking three courses in CTE and fewer are taking exploratory courses.

The State Board of Vocational Education adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

The next Wyoming State Board of Vocational Education meeting will be June 12, 2012