

WYOMING STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
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Wyoming State Board of Education members present: Pete Gosar, Belenda Willson, Jillian Balow, Nate Breen, Kathy Coon, Sue Belish, Jim Rose, Scotty Ratliff, Ken Rathbun, and Walt Wilcox

Absent: Hugh Hageman and Kathryn Sessions

Also present: Paige Fenton Hughes, SBE Coordinator; Chelsie Oaks, WDE; Brent Young, WDE; Dicky Shanor, WDE; Scott Marion, Center for Assessment; Mackenzie Williams, Attorney General's Office (AG)

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#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Pete Gosar called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

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

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Nate Breen moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Ken Rathbun, the motion carried.

#### THE SBE OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup> REPORT TO LSO

Dr. Scott Marion, Center for Assessment, presented the final draft of Wyoming's Statewide Assessment System: Recommendations from the Wyoming Assessment Task Force. Dr. Marion asked the Board to review and provide any feedback by October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Sue Belish thanked Scott for adding her requested theory of action and statute references, but she was concerned with the wording on the interim assessment design, requested that Scott make that section clearer.

Jim Rose expressed his concern that the report does not address the transition from secondary to post-secondary and does not see where a summative assessment can be used towards placement into a post-secondary institute. Jim Rose suggested that additional language be added to the report on transitioning.

Scott Marion responded that a paragraph could be added to the report to address Jim Rose's concerns on the transition from secondary to post-secondary institutions.

A roll call consensus is called for:

Pete Gosar- Yes  
Kathy Coon- Yes  
Ken Rathubun- Yes  
Jillian Balow- Yes  
Sue Belish- Yes  
Nate Breen- Yes  
Scotty Ratliff- Yes  
Walt Wilcox- Yes  
Belenda Willson- Yes

A “Yes” consensus was made to add the additional paragraph to the report.

Paige Fenton Hughes, continued to review the report with the Board.

The Board discussed Tab B, Professional Judgment Panel in the October 15<sup>th</sup> Report. Pete Gosar requested the school performance table on the last page of Tab B be put into two charts instead of the one, and that it not be included with the final report sent to LSO.

Brent Young presented the Board with the theory of action graphic in Tab C, System of Support of the October 15<sup>th</sup> Report.

Scotty Ratliff asked that the WDE present information at the next SBE on what an intervention would look like and what options would be available for schools and districts, and additionally, how much money would an intervention cost.

Superintendent Jillian Balow stated that she was excited to see the State Board and Wyoming Department on the same page, but was concerned with the cover memo provided in the report on System of Support. She felt that the tone of the memo did not reflect the collaboration that has taken place between the SBE and WDE and requested that the memo be revised.

Pete Gosar asked the WDE to provide the inaccuracies to Paige Fenton Hughes and that she will correct the memo to reflect those mistakes.

Brent Young stated that he will work with Scotty Ratliff on his request for the next SBE meeting and with Paige Fenton Hughes to correct the inaccuracies in the memo.

Walt Wilcox requested that additional information on what contact has been done with districts on the System of Support be presented at the next meeting.

Sue Belish added that she would like to have a discussion on the bigger issues and legislative assistance at the October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting as well. She also felt that the theory of action should be included in the final October 15<sup>th</sup> Report but have it marked as “Draft”

Nate Breen moved to include the theory of action slide, marked at “draft”, into the final October 15<sup>th</sup> Report to LSO, seconded by Sue Belish; the motion carried.

The Board then review Tab D of the October 15<sup>th</sup> report on District Assessment System. Paige Fenton Hughes explained that this section is an informational item.

Sue Belish moved to approve the Tab D section of the report with the addition of providing the dates that the Jan Hoegh workshops were provided, seconded by Walt Wilcox; the motion carried.

Tab E, Content and Performance Standards, of the October 15<sup>th</sup> report was brought to the Boards attention. The Board discussed the addition of the science standards timeline to the report.

Walt Wilcox moved to include a link to the standards webpage in the report, Kathy Coon seconded; the motion carried.

The Board review Tab F, Exemption Request, of the report. Paige Fenton Hughes notified the Board that the information provided were materials they had seen before and gave a brief summary of the process.

Belenda Willson moved to approve the presented Tab F as part of the final October 15<sup>th</sup> report, seconded by Nate Breen; the motion carried.

Lastly, the Board reviewed Tab G, Duties Prescribed by Law.

Belenda Willson moved to approve Tab G, as presented, to be included in the final October 15<sup>th</sup> report, seconded by Ken Rathbun; the motion carried.

## CONTRACT AMENDMENT ON PASCAL PUBLIC RELATIONS

SBE Coordinator, Paige Fenton Hughes, briefly discussed the contract amendment for Pascal Public Relation. She requested that action on the amendment be tabled until the State Board of Education meeting on October 28, 2015.

Belenda Willson moved to table the contract amendment for Pascal Public Relations until the October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, seconded by Nate Breen; the motion carried.

## CHAPTER 31 RULES

Brent Young reviewed the Chapter 31 Rules provided in the Board packet and informed the Board that the final rules were brought to this Board meeting for approval to prevent time running out on the emergency rules while the Governor reviewed the final rules

Nate Breen moved to adopt Rules, Chapter 31, Graduation Requirements, as proposed in the meeting packet, seconded by Ken Rathbun; the motion carried.

No public comment was given

Walt Wilcox moved to adjourned, seconded by Ken Rathbun; the motion carried.

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