

MINUTES
State Board of Vocational Education Meeting
April 5, 2007
Video/teleconference

State Board members present: Michelle Sullivan (by telephone), Bill Anthony (by telephone), Pamala Anderson, Matt Garland, Dana Mann-Tavegia, Jeff Marsh, Jim Lowham (by telephone), Jim McBride, Dr. Jim Rose, Executive Director, Wyoming Community College Commission

State Board Members Absent: Mel Baldwin, Jan Torres

Also present: Mary Kay Hill, Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) (by telephone); Tania Hytrek, WDE; Jennifer Stone, Attorney General's Office (AG); Teri Wigert, WDE; Tom Martin, WDE; Bill Pannell, WDE; Joe Baker, WDE

Members of the Press and Public Present: , Kelly Hastings, Sen. Mike Enzi's office, Senate Health Committee; Les Bishop, Teton County School District #1.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Michelle Sullivan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the March 8, 2007 State Board of Vocational Education videoconference were approved.

JEFF MARSH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 8, 2007 STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION MEETING.

PAMALA ANDERSON SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY PER ROLL CALL VOTE.

REVIEW CORRECTED STATE TRANSITION PLAN

Teri Wigert presented the updated version of the state transition plan for the Perkins IV Career and Technical Education Act. This plan was updated from the draft presented at the March 8, 2007 videoconference. Duane Edmonds, formerly of the State Board, and Sandy Barton attended the plan formation meetings.

Sandy Barton asked about payment for the WorkKeys assessment; Teri told her that this document indicates what assessments are being utilized and that any payment for assessments is covered through the Hathaway Scholarship program.

Teri reviewed all of the changes that were applied to the document from the first draft that the Board had seen in March.

Dana Mann-Tavegia asked if the Perkins money was only allocated when the study models are aligned by the districts. Teri affirmed that was a condition of receiving the funds.

Jim Lowham asked about how the WDE will make recommendations to the districts. Jim suggested a memo from the WDE to the districts. Tom Martin talked about developing a format of allowing other companies to present methodology; right now Workforce Services offers the CHOICES program. Tom would like to offer this up to the districts as a model process that they can choose to use if they would like. Jim would like to see the districts involved in the action planning of this process so that it is not a one way conversation. Tom agreed with that idea.

OFFER AMENDMENTS

Chairman Sullivan asked that the Board members present their amendments. These were presented to the WDE in writing prior to the teleconference.

JIM LOWHAM MOVED TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #1 TO THE STATE TRANSITION PLAN WHICH ASKED FOR AN ASMUTH FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN WYOMING.

DANA MANN TAVEGIA SECONDED THE MOTION.

Jim Lowham wanted this included because he believes that people will work hard on implementing this plan, he also noted that there will be questions about contingencies (how & why). He would like to see a direction that will be followed by the State Board of Vocational Education based on certain situations. He would like to make sure the goals of the Board are met.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY PER ROLL CALL VOTE.

Joe Simpson voted on behalf of Jim McBride as his designee.

DANA MANN TAVEGIA MOVED TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #2, WHICH ASKS THAT THE PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 6 BE REMOVED FROM THE DOCUMENT THAT ADDRESSES WEB BASED STUDENT PORTFOLIO SYSTEMS AND ASKS FOR MORE COLLABORATIVE LANGUAGE.

JIM LOWHAM SECONDED THE MOTION.

Joe Simpson clarified that the WDE would work in collaboration with districts to work with a consortium of districts to work with a product that would meet several districts needs then to help that consortium frame an agreement with a vendor to get the very best price on the product.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY PER ROLL CALL VOTE

APPROVE WYOMING'S TRANSITION PLAN FOR PERKINS IV

PAMALA ANDERSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE PERKINS IV STATE TRANSITION PLAN AS AMENDED.

BILL ANTHONY SECONDED THE MOTION

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY PER ROLL CALL VOTE

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sullivan adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.