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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Education

(Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 218.5352)

Date and Time of Meeting: Thursday, March 27, 2008

9:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Legislative Building

Room 2135

401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada

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AGENDA

I. Opening Remarks

Assemblywoman Bonnie Parnell, Chairwoman

- *II. Approval of Minutes of the February 21, 2008, Meeting
- *III. Presentation on the Report of the Task Force on School and Campus Safety of the National Association of Attorneys General

Catherine Cortez Masto, Nevada Attorney General

*IV. Report on the Projected Impact of Budget Reductions on the School Districts and Programs of the Department of Education

Keith W. Rheault, Ph.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction, Department of Education (DOE)

- *V. Presentations on the Delivery of Deaf Education Services
 - A. Actions of the Nevada System of Higher Education to Address the Need for Teachers of Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Jane Nichols, Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Nevada System of Higher Education

B. Issues Relating to Providing Interpreters for Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing in Public Schools

Cindy Frank, Coordinator, American Sign Language/Deaf Studies Program, Western Nevada College

- *VI. Status Report from the Commission on Educational Excellence
 - A. Funding and Grant Distribution for the 2007-2009 Biennium (Assembly Bill 627, Chapter 343, *Statutes of Nevada 2007* and NRS 385.3785 and 385.3789)

Caroline McIntosh, Chairwoman, Commission on Educational Excellence Keith W. Rheault, Ph.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction, DOE

B. Report Concerning the Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Programs Funded Through Grants Distributed by the Commission During the 2005-2007 Biennium (NRS 385.3789)

Caroline McIntosh, Chairwoman, Commission Educational Excellence Keith W. Rheault, Ph.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction, DOE

C. Consideration of the Department of Education's Recommendation for a Qualified, Independent Consultant to Conduct the Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Programs Funded Through Grants Distributed by the Commission During the 2007-2009 Biennium, Including the Consultant's Plan for the Evaluation (NRS 385.379[3][b])

Gloria Dopf, Deputy Superintendent, Office of Instructional, Research and Evaluative Services, DOE

*VII. Consideration of the List of Remedial Programs Proven to be Successful in Improving the Academic Achievement of Pupils to be Recommended to the DOE and the Commission on Educational Excellence (NRS 218.5354[2][b][d])

Joi Davis, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau

*VIII. Status Report on Clark County School District's Program of Empowerment Schools and the Development of Empowerment Plans by School Districts for Implementation of a State Program of Empowerment Schools (Assembly Bill 627, Chapter 343, *Statutes of Nevada 2007* and NRS 386.700 to 386.780, inclusive)

Keith W. Rheault, Ph.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction, DOE

Karlene McCormick-Lee, Ed.D., Associate Superintendent, Superintendent Schools Region, Clark County School District (CCSD)

Mike Strembitsky, Consultant to CCSD

Beverly Mathis, Principal, Kermit R. Booker Sr. Empowerment Elementary School, CCSD

Punam Mathur, Senior Vice President, Corporate Diversity and Community Affairs, MGM MIRAGE

Sue Shannon, Principal, George Whittell High School, Douglas County School District

*IX. Status Report on the In\$ite Financial Analysis Program and Its Expenditure Reports for School Districts and Charter Schools in Nevada

Rick Wells, Vice President for Finance and Consulting Services, EDmin.com Inc. Kristine Bergford, Manager, In\$ite Consulting Services, EDmin.com Inc.

- *X. Reports on Early Childhood Education Programs
 - A. Status Report on Implementation of Full-Day Kindergarten Programs in Nevada, Including Funding (State and Federal) and Effectiveness of Those Programs (A.B. 4, Chapter 3, Statutes of Nevada 2005, 22nd Special Session and A.B. 627, Chapter 343, Statutes of Nevada 2007)

Keith W. Rheault, Ph.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction, DOE

Lauren Kohut-Rost, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, CCSD

Carrie Larson, Ed.D., Principal, C.T. Sewell Elementary School, CCSD Dawna Ogden, Kindergarten Program Coordinator, Washoe County School District (WCSD)

Pati Falk, K-6 Director, Regional Center for Teaching and Learning, WCSD

B. Status Report on Implementation of Early Childhood Education Programs in Nevada, Including Effectiveness of Those Programs During the 2006-2007 School Year (Senate Bill 525, Chapter 450, *Statutes of Nevada 2005* and Assembly Bill 627, Chapter 343, *Statutes of Nevada 2007*)

Gloria Dopf, Deputy Superintendent, Office of Instructional, Research and Evaluative Services, DOE

- *XI. Reports on Career and Technical Education in Nevada
 - A. Status Report on State and Federal Funding for Career and Technical Education (CTE), Including the Effectiveness of CTE Programs in Nevada (Assembly Bill 627, Chapter 343, *Statutes of Nevada 2007*)

Phyllis Dryden, Director, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education Programs, DOE

B. Update on Advisory Technical Skills Committees Established Pursuant to Assembly Bill 388 (Chapter 309, *Statutes of Nevada 2005*) and Assembly Bill 580 (Chapter 482, *Statutes of Nevada 2005*)

Phyllis Dryden, Director, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education Programs, DOE

C. Presentation on the Expansion of Career and Technical Education High Schools in the Clark County School District

Monte Bay, Academic Manager, Superintendent Schools Region, CCSD

Kathleen Frosini, Director of Career and Technical Education/Advancement Via Individual Determination Program, CCSD

Frank Pesce, Principal, Northwest Career and Technical Academy, CCSD

- *XII. Reports on Pilot Programs for Disruptive Pupils
 - A. Status Report on the Pilot Alternative Education Programs for Disruptive Pupils Assembly Bill 2 (Chapter 9, *Statutes of Nevada 2007, 23rd Special Session*)

 Michael Fitzgerald, Consultant, School Improvement Programs, DOE
 - B. Status Report on the Peer Mediation Program (Assembly Bill 627, Chapter 343, *Statutes of Nevada 2007*)

Michael Fitzgerald, Consultant, School Improvement Programs, DOE

- *XIII. Presentation on Professional Development in Arts in Education
 Joseph Brockett, Artistic Director, Creative Educational Systems
- XIV. Public Comment
- XV. Adjournment

*Denotes items on which the committee may take action.

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