

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Education
(Nevada Revised Statutes 218.5352)

Note: If a quorum of the members appointed to the Committee is not able to attend the meeting, the Chairman will appoint the members who are present to work as a subcommittee of the Committee to take action on the asterisk items listed below in the form of recommendations to the full Committee.

Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, February 24, 2004
9 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Damonte Ranch High School
10500 Rio Wrangler Parkway
Reno, Nevada

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Note: Minutes of this meeting will be produced in summary format. Please provide the secretary with electronic or written copies of testimony and visual presentations if you wish to have complete versions included as exhibits with the minutes.

A G E N D A

I. Opening Remarks

Assemblyman Richard D. Perkins, Chairman

*II. Approval of Minutes of the November 17, 2003, and January 7, 2004, Meetings

III. Welcome

Jonnie Pullman, President, Washoe County School District (WCSD) Board of Trustees

*IV. Review and Discussion of the Issues and Innovations Relating to Qualifications and Licensing of Teachers by Panels Consisting of Parents, Administrators, Students, and Teachers From Schools Located Within the WCSD and Representatives of the Community, the Nevada Department of Education (NDE), and the College of Education at the University of Nevada, Reno

*V. Report on Approaches Used in Other States to Address Issue of Teachers Who Do Not Meet the Definition of Highly Qualified Teacher and Related Issues

Michael Allen, Program Director, Teaching Quality Policy Center, Education Commission of the States (ECS)

Jennifer Azordegan, Research Associate, Teaching Quality Policy Center, ECS

*VI. Consideration of the WCSD's Teacher Evaluation Program

Virginia Doran, Executive Director, Washoe Education Association

Lynn Sawyer, Director, Regional Professional Development Center, WCSD

Phil Mataruga, Teacher

*VII. Consideration of the Actions Taken by the State Board of Education to Ensure Teachers and Paraprofessionals Meet State and Federal Requirements

- High Objective Uniform State Standard of Evaluation Requirements
- Status of the State Plan of the State Board of Education to Ensure Public School Teachers Meet the Requirements of the Definition of a Highly Qualified Teacher
- Notification and Information to Teachers About Definition of Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements
- Status and Information on Examination of Paraprofessionals

Keith W. Rheault, Ph.D., Interim Superintendent of Public Instruction, NDE

Marcia Calloway, Consultant, NDE

*VIII. Consideration of the Use of Alternatively Licensed Teachers and Other Recruitment Issues

Dr. George Ann Rice, Associate Superintendent of Human Resources, Clark County School District

Catherine Jackson, Employment Coordinator, Human Resources, WCSD

*IX. Progress Report From the Statewide Coordinating Council of the Regional Professional Development Program

Bill Hanlon, Chairman, Regional Professional Development Statewide Coordinating Council

Stanley Chow, Director, Regional Services, WestEd

*X. Consideration of the Impact of Certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards on the Quality of the Teaching Workforce

Debbie Cahill, Director of Government Relations, Nevada State Education Association

Carol Hines and Barbara Surrutte, Nationally Board Certified Teachers, WCSD

*XI. Consideration of the WCSD Parent Involvement Initiative Strategic Plan

Debbie Smith, Chair, Parent Involvement Council

*XII. Consideration of the Current Status of the Harcourt Educational Measurements Quality Assurance Plan and Contract Penalty

Paul La Marca, Ph.D., Director
Assessment, Program Accountability, and Curriculum, NDE

Scott Greigo, National Measurement Consultant, Harcourt Assessment, Inc.

*XIII. Discussion of Topics and Locations of Future Meetings

XIV. Public Comment

XV. Adjournment

*Denotes items on which the Committee may take action or on which a subcommittee of the Committee may take action in the form of a recommendation to the full Committee

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