

ABE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes 3/14/00

Members Attending: B. Ash, D. Branco, H. Chernow, J. Koss-Cole, K. DeJesus, M. Forry, J. McCarthy, J. McGovern, S. Waldron, P. Veysey

Members Absent: S. Martin, K. Skinner, L. Soricone

DOE Staff Attending: B. Bickerton, R. Derfler, M.J. Fay, M. Gillon

SABES Staff Attending: C. Reid

Minutes Compiled by: M.J. Fay

Agenda Item #:

1) Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve: Approved

meeting minutes are a matter of public record: minutes will be posted on the web

Announcements re: time line of certification:

- Bob spoke with Rep. Binienda about the newly proposed time line and the reasons behind it. The Representative said he understood. He also agreed that this would give practitioners in the field a longer period of time to comment on the certification, and ultimately agreed that it would benefit the end product.
- MJ spoke with DOE legal and it is their opinion that the 51A affidavit be included in the ABE teacher certification application as certified adult educators working with person under the age of 18 will be mandated reporters.
- MJ received clarification on whether denial, revocation, suspension is intended for only teaching certifications or all certifications. DOE reviews denials, revocations, suspensions of any professional license or certificate and the reasons for any denial, revocation, or suspension are taken into account during the teacher application process.
- Ruth spoke with DOE legal and that the Board does need to approve the ABE teacher certification regulations. We will eventually need clarification on what will go to the Board to be voted on.

2) Streamlining Proposal:

Streamlining proposal was presented to the Advisory Committee. It proposed three streamlining paths for experienced ABE teachers based amount of experience and/or pre-K-12 certification.

Proposal was reviewed competency by competency as to whether the competency should be included within any of the streamlining paths:

#1 – Poll: Unanimous (Unanimous = leave proposed recommendations as is)

#2 – Poll: Unanimous

Will specialization be considered? Group may need to reconsider this question (brought up today and in last meeting)

#3 – Poll: Unanimous

#4 – Poll: Unanimous

#5 – Poll: Unanimous

#6 – Poll: Unanimous

#7 – Poll: 6-1-1, Approved

#8 – Poll: 8-2, Approved

#9 – Poll: 6-4; Discussion; 2nd Poll: 4-2-3 REVISIT

#10 – Poll: Unanimous

#11 – should 2,400 hours be checked, Poll: 8-1-1; should 480 hours be checked Poll: 8-1-1; Approved as is

#12 – Poll: Unanimous

#13 – Poll: Unanimous

#14 – Poll: should we also include 2,400 9-1; add a check to 2,400 hours

#15 – Poll: should we also include 2,400 9-1; add a check to 2,400 hours

#16 – Poll: should we also include 2,400 8-1-1; add a check to 2,400 hours (Bob, Carey, & MJ want to register their opposition)

#17 – Poll: should we include 2,400 hours 3-5-2 REVISIT

#18 – Poll: removing check mark 2; keeping check mark 4, 4 abstentions; add check mark to 2,400 – 4 REVISIT

#19 – Poll: add check to 2,400 & 2,400 + K-12 6-4 REVISIT

#20 – Poll: retaining the checks: 5 removing them 3, 1 abstention REVISIT

#21 – Poll: add a check to 2,400 6-0-1; add check mark to 2,400 hours

#22 – Poll: add checks to 2,400 and K-12 2-3-4 REVISIT

#23 – Poll: Unanimous

#24 – Poll: Unanimous

#25 – Poll: Unanimous

#26 – Poll: adding checks to 2nd & 3rd 3-5; leave as is

#27 – Poll: retain as is 6-2; leave as is

#28 – Poll: remove all checks 7-2; remove all checks

#29 – Poll: remove all checks 7-2; remove all checks

#30 – Poll: Unanimous

#31 – Poll: Unanimous

#32 – Poll: Unanimous

#33 – add a check mark to 2,400 7-1; add check mark

#34 – add to 2,400 8-1; add to 480 1-7; add check just to second column

Members will review the competencies in boldface to be revisited for the streamlining process for next meeting (#9, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22).

3) **Assessing Proficiency**

- Introduction
- The department will eventually be responsible for developing a manual for evaluators outlining each of the competencies.
- Continue discussion at next meeting.

4) **Preparation for Upcoming Meeting**

See agenda for next meeting.

Next Meetings: 4/4/00 from 1-4 p.m., CareerWorks, Brockton
4/18/00 from 9:30-12:30 p.m., Worcester Adult Learning Center
4/26/00 from 12:30-3:30 p.m., DOE, Rm. 3A