

VERMONT STANDARDS BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS
January 12, 2011
Capitol Plaza, Ethan Allen Room, Montpelier

A G E N D A

- 8:30 a.m. Call to Order
Approval of Minutes **1(A)** Action
Correspondence/Announcements
Board Member Updates
• Executive Committee
State Board of Education
• Brian Vachon
• VSBPE
Staff Report **2(A)**
- 9:00 a.m. Armando Vilaseca, Commissioner of DOE Discussion
- 9:45 a.m. School Psychologists **3(A)** Discussion
- 10:45 a.m. **Committee Work**
Higher Education Committee
Policy on National Accreditation: N17 **4(HE)** Discussion/Rec.
Revised Motion: Teacher Apprenticeship Program, Report of the
Full Program Review Team Rejoinder and 5-Year Plan **5(HE)** Discussion/Rec.
College of St. Joseph: ROPA Review Team* Discussion/Rec.
- *If this item is ready for the 1/12/10 meeting, it will be brought the day of.*
- Teacher/Administrator Relicensing Committee**
Regional Educational Laboratory, Northeast & Islands
Research on: Portfolios and Educator Relicensing Discussion/Rec.
NASDTEC Interstate Agreement Discussion/Rec.
- 11:45 p.m. **Lunch**
- 12:30 p.m. Review of Praxis Requirements **6(A)** Discussion
Mary Beth McNulty, Glenn Bailey
- 2:00 p.m. Proposed Revisions to Administrator Endorsements **7(A)** Discussion
- 2:45 p.m. **Committee Reports and Motions** Discussion/Vote
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn

The action listed next to each agenda item represents the intent of the VSBPE at the time the agenda is printed. It is possible that action may or may not be taken on any item listed on the agenda.

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*VSBE: Ensuring a Caring, Competent, Highly Effective Educator in Every Vermont Classroom
to Improve Student Learning.*

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Heather McCollum, Dolly Corkins, Bruce Richardson, Lia Cravedi, Sheryl Aliquo, Penny Chamberlin, Cassandra Major, Patti Coultas.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian Howe (via phone), Ronald Stahley (via phone), Janet Steward, Jill Cramer, Susan Jensen.

STAFF PRESENT: Marta Cambra, Deb Giles, Marilyn Richardson, Mary Beth McNulty, Rebecca Otis.

OTHERS PRESENT: Armando Vilaseca, Commissioner DOE; Sherry Gile, VT NEA; David Ritter, VASP (VT Assn. of School Psychologists); Colleen Mackinnon, UVM; Brian Vachon, SBE Liaison.

CALL TO ORDER: In the absence of J. Steward and B. Howe, H. McCollum called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

H. McCollum asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 17, 2010 meeting.

P. Chamberlin **moved that the VSBE accept the minutes of the December 17, 2010 meeting.**
L. Cravedi seconded. **Motion passed.**

Executive Committee Report

L. Cravedi gave a brief synopsis of the Executive Committee meeting that took place on January 4, 2011.

State Board of Education, Brian Vachon

B. Vachon gave a brief synopsis of the State Board Meeting that was held December 21, 2010.

Staff Report

The research and information specialist position has been closed and due to the hiring freeze, the DOE is not allowed to hire for this position.

The Licensing Program Manager position has been filled by a current EQT staffer Jenise Nicholson.

The VSBE consultant position is being interviewed for at the end of January. It is unclear whether this position will be affected by the hiring freeze.

Martha Allen, President of VT-NEA and Marta Cambra attended a New Hampshire Task Force Meeting on January 11, 2011 to review info and develop a definition for an effective teacher. M. Cambra shared Vermont's definition of an effective teacher. M. Cambra and M. Allen will be formulating an advisory

group to outline the steps Vermont will take to work with the definitions and work toward the teacher/administrator evaluation systems.

Armando Vilaseca, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Education

The Board spoke to Commissioner Vilaseca about: the current hiring freeze in state government, reduced staff at the Vermont Department of Education, school governance, Superintendent vacancies throughout the state, Governor Shumlin's educational initiatives, the Senate Education Committee, and the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).

School Psychologists Discussion

David Ritter, Director of the Vermont Association of School Psychologists (VASP) credential review committee spoke to the Board about the issuance of provisional licenses to school psychologists.

M. Oettinger spoke to the issue of related services as provided by a school psychologist on a provisional license.

A. Whitehorne spoke about the federal regulations relating to this issue.

B. Howe **moved that the VSBPE move rule 5351 as revised, into the rule making process.** C. Major seconded. **Motion passed.**

The Board broke into committees at 9:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Teacher & Administrator Relicensing Committee (T/ARC) – D. Corkins, Chair reporting

D. Corkins updated the Board on the committee's discussion regarding the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Interstate Agreement. J. Nicholson is working to research these questions further using the NASDTEC Knowledgebase.

The committee also discussed the renewal packets and criminal record check packets that were sent.

Higher Education Committee (HEC) - H. McCollum reporting

H. McCollum updated the Board on the committee's discussion regarding the policy on National Accreditation.

S. Aliquo **moved to revise the motion dated October 29, 2010 and move that the VSBPE accept the Teacher Apprenticeship Program, Report of the Full Program Review Team, Rejoinder and Five-Year Plan and grant two-year conditional approval to the following programs:**

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| Middle Grades: English (5-9) | English as a Second Language (preK-12) |
| Middle Grades: Social Studies (5-9) | Business Education (5-12) |
| Middle Grades: Science (5-9) | Art (preK-12) |
| Middle Grades: Math (5-9) | Music (preK-12) |
| Science (7-12) | Physical Education (preK-12) |
| Social Studies (7-12) | Health Education (preK-12) |
| English (7-12) | Theatre (preK-12) |

Math (7-12)

Family and Consumer Science (5-12)

Educational Technology Specialist (preK-12)

Modern & Classical Languages (7-12)

P. Chamberlin seconded. **Motion passed.**

Approval of these programs is contingent upon a favorable review of both a one-year and a two-year report addressing noted stipulations and areas indicated as “concerns” in the team’s report, demonstrating growth in meeting the seven ROPA standards, and continued compliance with state standards and any conditions specified by the VSBPE.

The meeting adjourned by consensus at 12:30 p.m. due to a snowstorm and adverse road conditions.