

PUBLIC NOTICE

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION NEVADA STATE BOARD FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

MISSION STATEMENT

The Nevada State Board of Education/Nevada State Board for Career and Technical Education is dedicated to fostering excellent educational opportunities provided to all learners by sustaining a coherent, aligned system of instruction and support in partnership with all educational communities.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON K-12 GOVERNANCE

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2009
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Department of Education
700 East Fifth Street
Board Conference Room
Carson City, Nevada

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CHARTER SCHOOLS

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2009
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Location: Department of Education
700 East Fifth Street
Board Conference Room
Carson City, Nevada

AND

REGULAR MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2009
Time: 3:30 p.m.
Location: Department of Education
700 East Fifth Street
Board Conference Room
Carson City, Nevada

AND

Date: Friday, March 20, 2009
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Location: Department of Education
700 East Fifth Street
Board Conference Room
Carson City, Nevada

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Date: Thursday, March 19, 2009
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Department of Education
State Board Conference Room
700 East Fifth Street
Carson City, Nevada

Committee Members:

Ken McKenna, Chair
Chris Wallace, Member
Willia Chaney, Member
Charlotte Hill, Member
Dr. Cliff Ferry, Member

- AGENDA -

Note: The Committee reserves the right to take agenda items out of posted order.

1. Call to Order; Roll Call (Ken McKenna, Chair)
2. Review and possible recommendations by the Committee regarding 2009 legislative bills affecting state board responsibilities, to include, but not limited to: ACR 2; AB 55; SB 150; BDR 34-13; BDR 170; BDR 171; BDR 232; and BDR 34-746 (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction)
(Information/Discussion/Action)

The Subcommittee on K-12 Governance will discuss issues affecting charter schools under consideration by the 2009 Legislature, including, but not limited to, the above list of bills and bill draft requests. The Subcommittee may adopt a position and make a recommendation to the Board regarding the issues being considered to direct staff to take such a position before the 2009 Legislature, or take similar or related actions pertaining to these issues.

3. Public Comments
4. Adjournment

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SUBCOMMITTEE ON CHARTER SCHOOLS

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Time: 2:30 p.m.
Location: Department of Education
700 East Fifth Street
Board Conference Room
Carson City, Nevada

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Dr. Cliff Ferry, Chair
Jan Biggerstaff
Christopher Wallace
Willia Chaney, Alternate

AGENDA

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Call to Order; Roll Call (Dr. Cliff Ferry, Chair)

1. Application Status Review of the new application for Entrepreneurial-Technical & Engineering Charter School (ETECHS) for a Subsection 7 charter (William F. Arensdorf, Director, and Tom McCormack, Consultant, Office of Fiscal Accountability) (*Information/Discussion/Action*)
2. Review of charter school bills before the 2009 Legislature with possible recommendations by the Committee to the full Board, to include, but not limited to: AB 100; AB 181; SB 164; and BDR 297 (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction) (*Information/Discussion/Action*)

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REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, March 19, 2009

3:30 p.m.

-AGENDA-

The public is hereby noticed that the Nevada State Board of Education/Nevada State Board for Career and Technical Education reserves the right to take agenda items out of posted order, with the exception of public hearings. A time for public comment is provided at the conclusion of the meeting. The Board President reserves the right to call on individuals from the audience or to allow for public comment at any time. Individuals providing testimony must fill out a Visitor Card which will be numbered in order received by the Board Assistant. Upon receipt from the Board Assistant, the President will make reasonable judgment as to the time limit for each speaker. Time limit: A time limit (three minutes) may be imposed on public testimony by the Board President in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the Board.

Call to order; Roll Call; Pledge of Allegiance; Approval of Agenda (Anthony Ruggiero, President) (*Action*)

1. President's Report (Anthony Ruggiero, President) (*Information/Discussion*)
 - Update of meeting with the Governor
 - Update of NASBE Legislative Conference March 13-14, 2009
2. Superintendent's Report (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction) (*Information/Discussion*)
 - Update of the P-16 Council meeting February 18, 2009
 - Update of the Council of Chief State School Officer's Legislative Conference March 8-10, 2009
 - Update of the 2009 Legislative Session
3. Report from the Governor's Office (Jodi Stephens, Legislative Director, Office of the Governor) (*Information/Discussion*)

TIMES ARE SCHEDULED IN BOLD BELOW FOR WORKSHOPS: *After a presentation by Department of Education staff, members of the public will be invited to give comments on the proposed regulation language. Time limit: A time limit (three minutes) may be imposed on public testimony by the Board President in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the Board. The Board will then discuss and may take action only on scheduled public hearings posted for possible Board adoption. Items may be remanded for additional public hearings at future Board meetings.*

4. **Time: 4:00 p.m. WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to Proposed Revisions to NAC 387.215 – Reason for withdrawal of a pupil (Dr. Steve Canavero, Consultant, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) (*Information/Discussion*)
5. **Time: 4:15 p.m. WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to Proposed Revisions to NAC 386 – Charter School Budget and Finance Regulations (James Wells, Deputy Superintendent, Administrative and Fiscal Services) (*Information/Discussion*)
6. **Time: 4:30 p.m. WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to Proposed Revisions to NAC 389.056, 389.0565, 389.057, 389.061, 389.071, 389.076, 389.079, 389.081, 389.083; and 389.655 – High School Proficiency Examinations (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director, and Carol Mason, Test Security Coordinator, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) (*Information/Discussion*)

7. **Time: 4:40 p.m. WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to Proposed Revisions to NAC 389.051 to eliminate the February administration of the High School Proficiency Examination, allow juniors to test in the fall and limit the July administration to pupils otherwise ready to graduate (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director and Henry King, Program Manager, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) (*Information/Discussion*)
8. **Time: 4:50 p.m. WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to Proposed Revisions to NAC 389.048 – Eligibility for High School Proficiency Examinations; and 389.659 – Units Required for Promotion to Next Higher Grade Level; Waiver of Certain Requirements (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director and Henry King, Program Manager, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) (*Information/Discussion*)
9. **Time: 5:00 p.m. WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to Proposed Revisions to NAC 389.655 and 389.657 to Establish the Alternative Criteria for Students to Demonstrate Proficiency in Science (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) (*Information/Discussion*)
10. Recognition of the 2009 Teacher of the Year Award Recipient, Steve Johnson, a chemistry teacher at Churchill County High School, Churchill County School District (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Anthony Ruggiero, President) (*Information/Discussion*)
11. Approval of Consent Agenda (Anthony Ruggiero, President) (*Information/Discussion/Action*)

Information concerning the following consent agenda items has been forwarded to Board members for study prior to the meeting. Unless a Board Member has a question concerning a particular item and asks that it be withdrawn from the consent list, items are approved at one time by the Nevada State Board of Education.

- A. Approval of Minutes of January 15-16, 2009 Regular Meeting
 - B. Approval of State Board Member Travel:
 - * Chris Wallace to attend the National School Boards Association Conference in San Diego, California, April 4-7, 2009 – Registration is \$885
 - C. Approval of Appointments to the Board of Trustees for Nevada Public Education Foundation
 - D. Approval of Special Education Discretionary Units FY 09
 - E. Approval of the Appointments to the Title I Committee of Practitioners
 - F. Approval of the 2009-2016 Elementary and Secondary Textbook Adoption Lists for the Adoption period of March 22, 2009 to June 30, 2016
 - G. Approval of the relicensing of Kids R Kids in Reno and the Las Vegas Day School, a member of the Northwest Association of Accredited Schools. Also approval of a two year license for White Pine Boys Ranch School, a new boarding school seeking its first license
12. Review of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Regarding the Potential Impact of the Act on K-12 Education in Nevada (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction) (*Information/Discussion*)

Recess until 8:30 a.m. on Friday, March 20, 2009

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REGULAR MEETING

Friday, March 20, 2008

8:30 a.m.

-AGENDA-

*Upon reconvening, Department of Education staff and/or other individuals will present information on the following items for Board discussion and possible action. A time for public comment is provided at the conclusion of the meeting. The Board President reserves the right to call on individuals from the audience or to allow for public comment at any time. Individuals providing testimony must fill out a Visitor Card which will be numbered in order received by the Board Assistant. Upon receipt from the Board Assistant, the President will make reasonable judgment as to the time limit for each speaker. **Time limit:** A time limit (three minutes) may be imposed on public testimony by the Board President in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the Board.*

Recall to Order; Roll Call (Anthony Ruggiero, President)

13. Summary of the Annual Submission of the 2008 District Improvement Plans (Gloria Dopf, Deputy Superintendent) (**Information/Discussion**)
14. Adoption of the “Nevada American Indian and Alaska Native Education Strategic Plan” (Sherry Rupert, Executive Director, State of Nevada Indian Commission (NIC) and Pam Abercrombie, Vice Chair, Indian Education Advisory Committee and Education Director, Yerington Paiute Tribe) (**Information/Discussion/Action**)

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15. **Time: 9:00 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING** and possible Board reconsideration of the hearing held on December 6, 2008, which was a Hearing of Petition and Recommendation for Revocation of the Nevada Teacher’s License for Kymberly (Tamburello) Laine (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction) (**Information/Discussion/Action**)
16. **Time: 9:30 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING** and possible Board Adoption of Proposed Revision to Regulation Language for NAC 387.215 – Reason for Withdrawal of Pupil – revision of the cohort graduation rate (Dr. Steve Canavero, Consultant, Assessment, Program Accountability, and Curriculum) **NOTE: This is the first and only public hearing and possible action to adopt may be taken.** (**Information/Discussion/Action**)
17. **Time: 9:45 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING** and possible Board Adoption of Proposed Revision to Regulation Language for NAC 389.056 – Procedures for Administration; 389.0565 – Use of Calculators on Examinations; 389.057 – Eligibility for Reexamination; 389.061 – Specific Norm Referenced and Criterion Referenced Examinations Required; 389.071 – Proficiency Examinations in Writing: Eleventh Grade and Above Fifth and Eighth Grade; 389.076 – Nevada High School Proficiency Examination in Reading; 389.079 – Nevada High School Proficiency Examination in Science; 389.081 – Nevada High School Proficiency Examination in Mathematics; 389.083 – Maintenance of Results of Examinations and List of Names and Scores; and 389.655 – Passage of Proficiency Examinations (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director, and Carol Mason, Test Security Coordinator, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) **NOTE: This is the first and only public hearing and possible action to adopt may be taken.** (**Information/Discussion/Action**)

18. **Time: 9:50 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING** and possible Board Adoption of Proposed Revision to Regulation Language for NAC 389.051 – Times for Administration; Special Administration (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director, and Henry King, Program Manager, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability, and Curriculum) **NOTE: This is the first and only public hearing and possible action to adopt may be taken. (Information/Discussion/Action)**
19. **Time: 10:05 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING** and possible Board Adoption of Proposed Revision to Regulation Language for NAC 389.048 – Eligibility for High School Proficiency Examinations; and 389.659 – Units Required for Promotion to Next Higher Grade Level; Waiver of Certain Requirements (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director, and Henry King, Program Manager, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability, and Curriculum) **NOTE: This is the first and only public hearing and possible action to adopt may be taken. (Information/Discussion/Action)**
20. **Time: 10:20 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING** and possible Board Adoption of Proposed Revision to Regulation Language for NAC 389.655 – Passage of Proficiency Examinations and New Section for the Alternative Method to Demonstrate Proficiency in Science (Dr. Richard Vineyard, Assistant Director, Office of Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum) **NOTE: This is the first and only public hearing and possible action to adopt may be taken. (Information/Discussion/Action)**
21. Approval of the Dual Credit Courses for Douglas County School District (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction) *(Information/Discussion/Action)*
22. Recommendation from the Subcommittee on Charter Schools for approval or denial of a Subsection 7 for the Entrepreneurial-Technical & Engineering Charter School (Bill Arensdorf, Director, Office of Fiscal Accountability) *(Information/Discussion/Action)*
23. Recommendation from the Subcommittee on Charter Schools regarding charter school bills before the 2009 Legislature for possible action as a full Board, to include, but not limited to: AB 100; AB 181; SB 164; and BDR 297 (Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction) *(Information/Discussion/Action)*

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25. Board Member/Public Comments *(Information)*
26. Future Agenda Items (Anthony Ruggiero, President) *(Information/Discussion/Action)*
27. Public Comments
28. Adjournment