

# Nevada State Board of Education

## Nevada State Board for Career and Technical Education

### ACTION REPORT

#### OCTOBER 10-11, 2008

Anthony Ruggiero, Vice President  
Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction

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On Friday, October 10 and Saturday, October 11, 2008, the State Board met at the Department of Education, 9890 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, for presentations and discussions at their regular Board meeting.

The Regular Meeting of the State Board of Education was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Vice President Anthony Ruggiero in the absence of President Washington.

Jodi Stephens, Legislative Director, Office of the Governor, submitted a written statement regarding the State Board of Education District 5 vacancy position.

Superintendent Dr. Keith Rheault gave an overview of the following meetings he attended:

- Legislative Commission
- P-16 Council
- Department Budget Meeting
- Commission on Educational Excellence

The Board approved the following Consent Agenda Items:

- Approval of Minutes of May 2-3, 2008; June 14-14, 2008; July 16, 2008; and August 8-9, 2008
- Members Jan Biggerstaff and Dr. Cliff Ferry to attend the 2008 NASB Conference, November 13-16, 2008, in Reno, Nevada
- Approval of FY 09 special education discretionary units:
  - Carson City School District – not to fund at this time
  - Clark County School District – 18.50 units
  - Douglas County School District – 1 unit
  - Lincoln County School District - .25 unit
  - Washoe County School District – 9.50 units
  - I Can Do Anything Charter School – 1 unit
  - Nevada Connections Academy Charter School – 1 unit
- Approval of FY 09 Gifted and Talented Discretionary Units:
  - Clark County School District – 1.5 units
  - Elko County School District – 1.0 unit
  - Pershing County – 1.0 unit
- Appointments to the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)
- Approval of licensing/relicensing of private schools

The Board received the submission of the State Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Annual Report.

An update on Nevada Public Education Foundation was presented. Board members were encouraged to attend the November 12, 2008, Ready for Life Drop Out Summit to be held in Las Vegas. The Board asked that a follow-up report of the Summit be given during the December Board meeting.

The Board held a **WORKSHOP** to solicit comments to NAC 391.558 – Procedure and Requirements for Review of Applications and Approval of Courses; Provisional and Final Approval; Expiration and Renewal of Approval; Review of Course; Annual Reports by School District; Fee. The Board will hold a Public Hearing during the December 5-6, 2008 Board meeting.

Board members received information regarding a resolution of the Nevada State Education Association's proposed Initiative Petition, "Support Our Schools," to provide additional funding for Nevada's school districts and charter schools. The Board approved the motion to support the ballot advisory question in Washoe and Clark Counties and the statutory initiative issue of Support Our Schools. The Board requested a letter be sent on their behalf to Nevada State Education Association of the decision to support the proposed petition.

The Board approved adoption of a standardized Chart of Accounts for the Department of Education as legislated by NRS 385.310 and NRS 385.315.

The Board heard a review of the State requirements for the Educational Accord and the Code of Honor per Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 392.4575 and 392.461.

A review of the State requirements regarding the Crisis Response Plans as per Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 392.600-392.656 was given. The Board requested an update on the status of crisis plan revisions to be presented to the December meeting.

On **Saturday, October 11, 2008**, the Subcommittee on Charter Schools recommended to approve a Subsection 7 Charter for Alpine Academy Charter School, in Reno, Nevada. A motion was made and carried to approve the Subsection 7 Charter for two years.

The Subcommittee on Charter Schools recommended to approve a Subsection 7 Charter for the Elko Institute for Academic Achievement Charter School in Elko, Nevada. A motion was made and carried to grant a Subsection 7 for one year.

The Subsection 7 for both Imagine School at Las Vegas Charter School and the Imagine School at Mountain View Charter School were removed from the agenda and will be heard during the December Board meeting.

The Board received the annual Reports of Compliance and Progress of the five State Board sponsored charter schools. A motion was made to accept the Reports and letters be sent to both Coral Academy and Virtual Academy to come into compliance as reported. An update of both Academies' Report will be given to the December Board meeting.

State Superintendent Keith Rheault gave an update of the Legislative Committee on Education Work Session actions relating to charter school sponsorship, Bill Draft Request (BDR) 297 and K-12 Governance BDR 301. The Board will discuss both BDR's further at future Board meetings.

Board Member Comments were given.

The Board heard Public Comments.

**The next scheduled meeting of the Nevada State Board of Education/Nevada State Board for Career and Technical Education will be held Friday, December 5 and Saturday, December 6, 2008, at the Department of Education, at 9890 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.**