

**Nevada State Board of Education
Nevada State Board for Career and Technical Education**

**ACTION REPORT
May 13, 2011**

**Chris Wallace, President
Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction**

On **Friday, May 13, 2011**, the State Board of Education met at the Department of Education, 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada and the Department of Education, 9890 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada for presentations and discussions at their regular Board meeting. The meeting was video conferenced. The meeting was called to order at 8:36 a.m. by President Chris Wallace.

President Wallace reported he met with legislators several times after the March board meeting. Legislative bills concerning the governance and oversight of education and the board's stance on various education bills were discussed in round table meetings with Assemblywoman Debbie Smith. President Wallace reported on the Charter School Summit he attended with members Corbett, Cook and Fralick. President Wallace said he attended a round table meeting with Assemblyman Stewart and other education stakeholders concerning the rollout of the Common Core Standards.

Dr. Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction, updated the Board about the legislative session. He reported all 23 of the Department of Education (NDE) budgets are closed. The K-12 budget for the Distributive School Account (DSA) was finalized using emergency measures to speed-up the process. The bill passed both sides of the legislature and then was sent over to the governor's office for his signature. It is expected the governor will veto the K-12 DSA budget. Dr. Rheault reported on the Data Quality Campaign meeting held in Carson City. The group reviews and reports on the quality of education data released by all states. Dr. Rheault also reported the Youth Behavior Survey would be conducted this year to survey eighth through twelfth grade students on risk behaviors.

The Board approved the following consent Agenda items:

- A. Minutes of March 18, 2011 Regular Meeting
- B. Awarding of .5 of a special education discretionary unit to Alpine Academy, 2 special education discretionary units to Washoe County School District and 7 special education discretionary units to Clark County School district for the 2010 -2011 academic year.
- C. Relicensing of the following Reno Schools for a two year period: Little Golden Goose and the Goddard School - Reno.
 - Approval of Relicensing of Lake Tahoe School of Incline Village for a 4-year period.
 - Approval of Relicensing of the following Las Vegas Schools: Omar Haikal Islamic Academy & Las Vegas Day School (4 years), Southern Highlands Preparatory School, Kinder Prep Academy, First Christian Montessori School (2 years)

The Board approved the request for Dual Credit courses for White Pine School District students.

Dale Erquiaga, Senior Advisor to Governor Sandoval was unable to attend the meeting due to his legislative schedule.

The Board approved the Cut Score Achievement Level Descriptor Scores (CRT) and the Setting Results for all Reading Tests, CRT, HSPE, Alternate Assessment and the Grade 8 Writing Assessment.

Carol Crothers, Director, Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum updated the Board on the Common Core State Standards, the SMARTER-Balanced Assessment Consortium and the cohort Graduation rate.

Mike Raponi, Director, Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education conducted a PowerPoint presentation outlining the Career, Technical and Education Improvement Plan.

Jose Melendrez, Associate Vice President, Leadership Education for the Advancement of Diverse Student Success (LEADS) and Nora Luna, Associate Professor University of Reno, Anahuac School and Community Engagement conducted a presentation regarding community engagement with parental involvement in education.

An informational discussion was heard concerning the proposed purchase of real property for Silver State Charter.

Dr. Steve Canavero, Director, Office of Charter Schools, discussed the issues regarding purchasing real property for charter schools.

The Board approved the Conversion of the Subsection 7 Charter to a full charter for the Entrepreneurial-Technical and Engineering Charter High School (ETECHS).

Cheryl Macy, 2011 Nevada Teacher of the Year, was unable to attend the meeting. She will be recognized for her accomplishments at the August State Board meeting.

Dr. Rheault reviewed 2011 legislative bills affecting state board responsibilities. The Board discussed AB554, AB555, AB558, AB222, and SB197 Sections 6 & 55

The Board discussed the location and agenda for the August Board Retreat.

Public comment and board comment was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:22pm