Statewide Council for the Coordination of the Regional Training Programs Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 7, 2014

Nevada Department of Education, 700 E. Fifth St., Carson City, Nevada with video conference to Nevada Department of Education, 9890 S. Maryland Pkwy., Las Vegas, Nevada

Committee Members Present:

- Ms. Jane Bantz – Carson City
- Mr. Lou DeSalvio – Las Vegas
- Superintendent Dale Erquiaga – Las Vegas
- Mr. Andrew Fromdahl – Carson City
- Lincoln County School District Superintendent Nykki Holton – Las Vegas
- Douglas County School District Superintendent Lisa Noonan –Carson City
- Mr. Anthony Timmons – Las Vegas
- Elko County School District Superintendent Jeff Zander – Las Vegas

Members Absent/Excused:

- Ms. Debbie Irene Brockett

Staff Members Present:

- Ms. Dena Durish – Las Vegas
- Ms. Audra Blackwell – Carson City

Audience in Attendance:

- Sarah Negrete, NNRPDP – Las Vegas
- Bill Hanlon, SNRPDP – Las Vegas
- Kirsten Gleissner, NWRPDP – Carson City

Call to Order; Roll Call; Pledge of Allegiance:
Superintendent Erquiaga called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm, with Roll Call taken and committee members in attendance as reflected above. Superintendent Zander led Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment:
Superintendent Erquiaga opened the floor for public comment; there was no public comment in Las Vegas or Carson City.

Welcome and Introduction of Members of the Statewide Council for the Coordination of the Regional Training Programs:
Superintendent Erquiaga asked the members of the Council to introduce themselves to the group.

Selection of a Permanent Chairman:
Superintendent Erquiaga opened the discussion for selection of a permanent Chairman of the Council.

Superintendent Zander nominated Superintendent Noonan as Chairman of the Council. Motion to approve nomination by Superintendent Zander and seconded by Superintendent Holton. Motion to approve the selection of permanent chairman passed with all members in favor. The Council approved the selection of Dr. Lisa Noonan as Chairwoman.

Overview of Governmental Ethics and Open Meeting Law:
Ms. Carrie Parker, Deputy Attorney General, gave an overview of governmental ethics and open meeting law for the Council. The Council had a discussion regarding the presentation and thanked Ms. Parker for the informative presentation.

Ms. Parker told the Council that a quorum would consist of five members since the Council has nine members and that the quorum number applies even if seats are vacant. Ms. Parker reminded the Council that Superintendent Erquiaga is a member and to keep this in mind when discussing Council related business with him.

Overview of Council Responsibilities:
Ms. Julia Teska, Deputy Superintendent for Business Services, gave an overview of the responsibilities of the Council pursuant to state law. The Council had a discussion regarding the presentation and thanked Ms. Teska for the informative presentation. Some of the Council's responsibilities include: adoption of uniform procedures and criteria to report the evaluation of programs; long range planning for each of the RPDPs; coordinate with the office of parental involvement and family engagement in carrying out the duties of the office; budget – review and approve budgets for each of the 3 RPDPs, review and approve budget revisions – subject to the provisions of NRS 353 that may require IFC approval and the Statewide Coordinating Council; review and approve biennial budget submissions of the 3 RPDPs for next biennium – the Council has the ability to change or revise budget requests or revisions

Information and Discussion Concerning Regional Training Programs, including Discussion of Training Programs Related to the Nevada Academic Contents Standards in ELA and Math and Discussion of Training Programs Related to the Nevada Educator Performance Framework:

Mr. Bill Hanlon, SNRPDP, gave an overview of the Southern Nevada RPDP.

Chairwoman Noonan called a 5 minute break at 3:18pm and reconvened at 3:23pm.

Ms. Sarah Negrete, NNRPDP, gave an overview of the Northern Nevada RPDP.

Ms. Kirsten Gleissner, NWRPDP, gave an overview of the Northwestern RPDP.

Future Agenda Items/ Council Meeting Dates and Locations:
Chairwoman Noonan opened the discussion on future agenda items and meeting dates. The Council agreed to start meetings at 9:00am. The Council also agreed to have meeting locations in Las Vegas, Elko, and Carson City. The Council agreed to look at the statute (NRS 391.516) creating the Council to use as a guide for future agenda items. Superintendent Erquiaga suggested that the family engagement office be included at the next meeting. He also suggested review of uniform standards and criteria for evaluation are on a future agenda. Chairwoman Noonan suggested having Nevada Association of School Superintendents (NASS) be invited to attend Council meetings that will have topics related to Professional Development days and how the school districts structure those days.

Public Comment:
Chairwoman Noonan opened the floor for public comment. In Carson City, Kirsten Gleissner asked for clarification on the term "NACS" for Nevada Academic Content Standards. Superintendent Erquiaga responded that he would look into how it was named and that guidance would be forthcoming. There was no public comment in Las Vegas.

Adjournment:
Motion to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Jane Bantz and seconded by Mr. Andrew Fromdahl. Chairman Noonan adjourned the meeting at 3:54 pm.

MINUTES COMPLETED BY AUDRA BLACKWELL, NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION