

Nevada Department of Education

WORKSHOPS

February 1, 2016 – 9:00 A.M.

Meeting Locations: Las Vegas, NV
Department of Education
9890 South Maryland Pkwy

and

Carson City, NV (via Video Conference)
Department of Education
700 East Fifth Street

PUBLIC NOTICE

A time for public comment is provided at the beginning and at the conclusion of the meeting. A time limit of three minutes will be imposed for public comments, in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment, with an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available. Individuals providing testimony must fill out a visitor card. Items may be taken out of posted order, except the workshops will not begin earlier than posted times.

Reasonable efforts will be made for members of the public who have disabilities and require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting. Please call the Board assistant at (775) 687-9225, at least five business days in advance so that arrangements can be made.

This public notice has been posted at the offices of the Department of Education (NDE) in Carson City and the main office of the Carson, Washoe, Elko and Clark County School District Offices. Notice of this meeting was posted on the Internet through the Nevada Department of Education website at www.nde.doe.nv.gov.

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— AGENDA —

The purpose of this workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics that maybe addressed in the proposed regulations. The workshops will be conducted in accordance with the Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.020)

NOTE: Comments by the general public will be taken following a description of the proposed regulation changes. Public comment may be limited to 3 minutes per person at the discretion of the staff member conducting the workshop.

NOTE: Members of the State Board of Education/State Board for Career and Technical Education will not participate in this meeting; the Superintendent of Public Instruction, as Secretary of the Board, will be holding the workshops.

1. Call to Order;

Steve Canavero, Interim Superintendent of Public Instruction

2. Public Comment #1

Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item. No Action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which For Possible Action may be taken. There may be a reasonable limitation as to the amount

3. 9:00 A.M. Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 385 that provide for the Nevada Educational Choice Scholarship Program (Statutes of Nevada 2015, Chapter 22).

Proposed amendments seek to clarify the testing requirements contained in Sec. 11 of the adopted regulations (i.e., R035-15).

Steve Canavero, Interim Superintendent of Public Instruction (*Information/Discussion/For Possible Action*)

4. 9:05 A.M. Workshop to solicit comments on proposed regulation to NAC XXX.xxx, NAC Title, for compliance of Senate Bill 391 – Nevada’s Read by Grade 3 Initiative as cited in Section 5.1 (b) procedures for assessing a pupil’s proficiency in the subject area of reading using valid and reliable assessments that have been approved by the State Board by regulation and Section 6. 4 (a) any training or professional development that a learning strategist is required to successfully complete; (b) any professional development that a teacher employed by a school district or charter school to teach kindergarten or grade 1, 2, 3 or 4 is required to receive from a learning strategist in the subject area of reading; and (c) the duties and responsibilities of a learning strategist.

Kevin Laxalt, Education Programs Professional, Nevada Read by Grade 3 Initiative (*Information/Discussion/For Possible Action*)

- 5. 9:10 A.M. Workshop to solicit comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC 395.010. Proposal to amend by adding a subsection addressing:** “A pupil with significant disabilities” defined; “Special Education” defined; “Related Services” defined; “Supplementary aids and services” defined; “Transition services” defined; “Department” defined; “Superintendent” defined; Additionally adding the following sections and subsections regarding access to the special education contingency account: Application requirements and process; reimbursement requirements and allowable expenditures; development of a process for a timely review and approval or disapproval of applications; timeline for reimbursement of funds. Marva Cleven, Director, Special Education (*Information, Discussion, For Possible Action*)
- 6. 9:15 A.M. Workshop to Solicit Comments on new proposed regulations to NAC 391.xxx pursuant to NRS 391.465,** requiring that the State Board shall, based upon the recommendations of the Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada submitted pursuant to NRS 391.460, adopt regulations establishing a statewide performance evaluation system which includes a process for peer evaluations of teachers by qualified educational personnel which is designed to provide assistance to teachers in meeting the standards of effective teaching, and includes, without limitation, conducting observations, participating in conferences before and after observations of the teacher and providing information and resources to the teacher about strategies for effective teaching. The regulations must include the criteria for school districts to determine which educational personnel are qualified to conduct peer reviews pursuant to the process. Dena Durish, Deputy Superintendent Educator Effectiveness and Family Engagement (*Information, Discussion, For Possible Action*)
- 7. 9:20 A.M. Workshop to Solicit Comments on proposed amendments to regulations to NAC 391. 571 Performance evaluation of school-level and probationary administrators: Required Domains, and NAC 391.574 Performance evaluation of teacher: Required Domains.** Proposed amendments related to the Student Performance Domain are based on recommendations from the Teachers and Leaders Council pursuant to Section 11 of AB447(2015) requiring the State Board to adopt regulations designating the assessments that may be used by a school district to determine pupil achievement for the purposes of evaluating teachers and building level administrators as stated in NAC 391.571 and NAC 391.574. Dena Durish, Deputy Superintendent Educator Effectiveness and Family Engagement (*Information, Discussion, For Possible Action*)
- 8. Public Comment #2**
Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item. No Action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which For Possible Action may be taken.
- 9. Adjournment**