

# STATE OF NEVADA

## COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

### ACTION REPORT

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education held a meeting on May 2, 2008 in the Board Conference Room at the Nevada Department of Education Office, Carson City, Nevada. The following discussions were held and actions taken:

- The Commission approved “Educational Perspectives” to be added to the list of agencies to evaluate foreign transcripts.
- The Commission held a public hearing and adopted the proposed amendments for LCB File No. R037-08; New Section for the Business and Industry Substitute License and NAC 391.400 – Types of Endorsement for Business and Industry.
- The Commission held a public hearing and adopted the proposed amendments for LCB File No. R038-08; NAC 391.378 – Qualifications for Teaching Pupils Who Have Autism and extended the sunset date to June 30, 2012.
- The Commission reviewed the 1992-1993 Commission Mission Statement and appointed Chair Luft and Commissioner Votraw to draft a new mission statement for review and approval at the June meeting.
- The Commission received an update from the Alternative Route to Licensure Task Force. They have held three meetings and the next meeting date will be determined in the near future. Co-Chairs Lark and Ungaro stated that the Task Force has been receiving information and is moving forward.
- The Commission received an update from the Permanent Licensure of Retired Teachers Task Force, their first meeting will be held on May 5, 2008 via video conferencing at the Nevada Department of Education Offices in Carson City and Las Vegas. Dr. Barbee will provide an update at the next meeting
- The Commission received an update from the Elementary Licensure Task Force. The membership of this Task Force has been determined and will be holding their first meeting in the near future.
- The Commission received an update from the Early Childhood Special Education Praxis Task Force. This Task Force met on April 17, 2008 and determined that no changes to the Praxis exam are necessary. The work of this Task Force is completed.
- The Commission agreed that the following issues will be discussed at the next meeting: 1) Discussion and Review of Commission Mission Statement; 2) Review of NAC 391.558 – Percentage of the Pass Rate for Teacher Preparation Programs; 3) Schedule Meeting Date for 2008-09; and 4) Reports from the following Task Forces: Alternative Route to Licensure Task Force; Elementary Licensure Task Force; and Permanent Teacher Licensure Task Force.

The next meeting of the Commission on Professional Standards in Education is scheduled for **June 13, 2008 at the Nevada Department of Education, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room, 1820 East Sahara, Las Vegas, Nevada.** For your convenience, minutes and agendas are posted on the Nevada Department of Education’s website, under Commissions, at <http://www.doe.nv.gov>. For further details, contact Christina Harper at 775-687-9226, FAX 775-687-9202 or E-mail [charper@doe.nv.gov](mailto:charper@doe.nv.gov), Department of Education, Carson City Office.