

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
STATEWIDE COUNCIL FOR THE
COORDINATION OF THE REGIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS
Tuesday, May 24, 2017
10:00 A.M

Meeting Locations:

The meeting will be video conferenced from both locations.

Office	Address	City	Meeting Room
Department of Education	9890 S. Maryland Pkwy	Las, Vegas	Board Room (2 nd Floor)
Department of Education	700 E. Fifth St	Carson City	Board Room

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting called to order at 10:06 AM.

Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

In Las Vegas:

Dr. Wendi Hawk

Lou DeSalvio

Jeff Zander

Brent Husson

In Carson:

Nicolette Smith

Aaron Grossman

Dr. Sandra Sheldon

AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE:

In Las Vegas:

Sarah Negrete

Chelli Smith

Cynthia Santos-Cook

Carson City:

Kirsten Gleissner

Sondra Neudauer

Andrea McCalla

2. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

There was no public comment in the north or south.

3. FLEXIBLE AGENDA APPROVAL, Jeff Zander, Chair

- Member Hawk moved for a flexible agenda
- Member DeSalvio seconded the motion
- All in favor
- **Motion carried at 10:08 AM**

4. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes for April 7, 2017 (Information/Discussion/Possible Action)

Jeff Zander, Chair

- Member Husson motion to approve the April 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes
- Member DeSalvio seconded the motion
- All in favor
- **Motion carried at 10:08 AM**

5. UPDATE ON STATEWIDE FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM (Information/Discussion/Possible Action)

At the April meeting the Council requested that the Office of Family Engagement and the RPDPs continue to collaborate on creating a statewide for schools and districts on effective Parent Engagement. The RPDP Family Engagement coordinators have been working to develop a workshop across the state, and it would be offered on a voluntary basis. Part of PIFE's charge would be to periodically report back to the Council on how many teachers have participated. The RPDPs will have another update for the Council in August.

Chair Zander asked how long is the workshop, and Sarah it's most likely going to be a fifteen hour workshop for credit. Chair Zander informed the Council that getting the Parental Involvement workshop started and ensuring participation is a priority of the Council. Member Hawk stated she hasn't heard any conversation about how schools are measuring Family Engagement and how data is collected. Cynthia answered that evaluating Family Engagement is a conversation she is having with other state's Family Engagement leaders. As a state, Nevada doesn't have one measure of Family Engagement and the PIFE Office is hoping to move in the direction of collecting more consistent data.

Member Husson requested an outline of the workshop. Sarah said the content is heavily based in the six standards in policy for Family Engagement.

Member Husson wanted to know how many teachers would receive the training. It would depend on how many principals request the workshop. Chair Zander stated that the training has to be somewhat varied from the standpoint that there are a number of Title I schools that have had an extensive Parental Involvement activity that has been going on since the early 2000s. He asked if the original initiatives the group has in place are going to differentiate the different teacher groups they'll be working with. Sarah answered that it is part of the needs assessment. Member DeSalvio asked why the workshop is not a condition of employment instead of being voluntary, and Sarah answered that the RPDPs don't employ the teachers. Cynthia added that for licensure, there is a NDE requirement that any newly licensed staff has a provision on their license mandating the completion of a Family Engagement course within the first three years of having their license. Teachers that aren't newly licensed have other options through RPDP and district initiatives. Chair Zander cannot wait to hear an update on this in August.

6. REGIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (RPDP) BUDGET PRESENTATION *(Information/Discussion)*

The Legislature required the RPDP budgets to be approved by the Council. NDE Fiscal has looked over spreadsheets and timelines and Dena asked them to provide updates to the Council. The most immediate concerns are comparing what was in last year's budget to the upcoming biennium budget to be sure there are no necessary amendments before expenditures. Chair Zander expressed that there is no doubt that there have been adjustments made regarding moving money from different categories. Chair Zander stated that the Council will ensure that there aren't/weren't any changes above 10% for those particular categories. He then asked if Andrea feels comfortable starting FY18 under the assumption that those budgets will be approved in August, or would she like a meeting to be held for that in June. Andrea stated that those budgets were approved when they went through the biennial, so the Council should be fine with a meeting in August.

7. LONG-RANGE PLANNING/COUNCIL WORK GROUP *(Information/Discussion/Possible Action)*

There is no June or July meeting, so the next meeting will be August 15, 2017. The Family Engagement will continue in August.

8. FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS *(Information/Discussion)*

The next meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2017 and the Council will go ahead and schedule the next three meetings of the next FY. A Doodle poll will be sent prior to the August meeting so dates can be finalized at the August meeting. Member Husson wants to explore alignment of licensure and PD Standards and Requirements, and would like to know if it's appropriate for this panel to have that discussion and if they have any influence. If they do, then he would like to discuss systemic thinking on how to make RPDPs more effective in the classroom. Chair Zander thought that a great idea. There were no further suggestions in the north or south.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT #2

No public comment.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion

- Member DeSalvio moved to adjourn the meeting
- Member Hawk seconded the motion
- All in favor
- **Motion carried at 11:11 AM**