

**State Board of Education  
Special K-20/Teleconference Meeting  
Billings Conference Room, OSPI (Main site)  
June 5, 2006**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Chair Mary Jean Ryan. Chair Ryan provided an overview of the agenda.

Members Present: Telephone—Amy Bragdon, Steve Dal Porto, Sheila Fox, Phyllis Bunker Frank, Eric Liu, Kris Mayer, Mary Jean Ryan, John C. Schuster, Warren T. Smith, Sr., Jeff Vincent  
On-site—Terry Bergeson, Steve Floyd, and Linda W. Lamb

Members Excused: Bernal Baca, and Student Representatives Zachary Kinman and Tiffany Thompson

Video Conference

Locations: ESD 112-Vancouver, PSESD 121-Renton, NCESD 171-Wenatchee, NWESD 189-Anacortes; Moses Lake High School did not connect.

Staff Present: Bob Butts, Pat Eirish, Laura Moore, and Assistant Attorney General Colleen Warren

**TAB 1—RECOMMENDATION FOR SCHOOL ACCREDITATION UNDER THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PROCESS FROM CASTLE ROCK HIGH SCHOOL, KELSO HIGH SCHOOL, LACENTER HIGH SCHOOL, LAKES HIGH SCHOOL, CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL, MOSES LAKE HIGH SCHOOL, JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL, MOUNT BAKER HIGH SCHOOL, AND MERIDIAN HIGH SCHOOL**

Pat Eirish, State Board staff, provided background information on the State Board's accreditation process and the necessity for having the K-20/Teleconference meeting. She also thanked the Educational Service Districts (ESDs) and Northwest Regional Lab for the work they did in putting together the process.

Members expressed appreciation for the commendation and recommendation sections in some of the reports. It was noted that two of the schools elected dual accreditation through the State Board process and that of the Northwest Association of Accredited Schools. Concern was expressed for the lack of balance in team member representation in some cases as the guidelines ask for board or community member participation on the team. Following discussion and clarifying questions by Board members,

**Motion:** Moved by Dr. Bergeson and seconded by Mrs. Lamb to approve all schools for accreditation with the exception of Kelso High School. Motion carried with one abstention.

#### Kelso High School

Considerable discussion was held on the Kelso High School petition for accreditation. Board members expressed concerns that the school was not ready for conditional accreditation.

**Motion:** Moved by Dr. Bergeson and seconded by Ms. Bragdon that Kelso High School be granted one-year conditional accreditation approval with the understanding that the school seek technical assistance from the Educational Service District or other sources before seeking permanent accreditation through another approved process. Motion failed on a split vote.

### **TAB 2—RATIFICATION OF BOB BUTTS AS INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Chair Ryan provided information on the attached letter naming Bob Butts interim executive director of the State Board of Education.

**Motion:** Moved by Mrs. Lamb and seconded by Dr. Dal Porto to approve the appointment of Bob Butts as the interim executive director of the State Board of Education. Motion carried.

### **TAB 3—REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CRITERIA FOR THE RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION OF A PERMANENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Sheila Emery, former Human Resource Director with the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, provided information on the development of the recruitment announcement and the process she will use in developing a scoring tool for applications.

Several suggestions for changes were made by Board members:

- Page 1, under “Scope of Responsibility” to add “and private” before education in the first paragraph; to add “and public service” after “education”.
- Page 2, first paragraph, before “directing” add “communicating”.

**Motion:** Moved by Dr. Bergeson and seconded by Mrs. Frank to approve the draft recruitment announcement with changes noted. Motion carried.

Chair Ryan noted that the process was just beginning and everyone will be involved.

Mrs. Frank suggested that the Board hear from the Title I people at OSPI on school choice and supplemental service issues. Dr. Bergeson stated that it was a good idea but one that could wait for a later meeting. Chair Ryan asked staff to contact Mrs. Frank regarding the issue.

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Adopted: June 15, 2006