

Yenetta Harper, Director

Kelly Bell, Chair

Ohio Educator Standards Board
Minutes of the Business Meeting
May 8, 2020
Teams Virtual Meeting

Board Members Attending:

Kelly Bell
Eve Bolton
Jeffrey Brown
Cassandra Daniels
Shvonne Davis
Rachel Dingess
Joseph Friess
Tracy Huziak-Clark
Melissa Kendralla
Julie Lather
Cynthia Lombardo
Debra McDonald
Amy McGuffey
Sandra Orth
Venezuela Robinson
Emily Schweppe
Nicholas Shay
Heather Stambaugh
James Wagner

Board Members Absent:

Monica Asher
Cajon Keeton

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Carolyn Everidge-Frey representing Superintendent of Public Instruction, Paolo DeMaria, from the Ohio Department of Education
Sarah Molski representing Chancellor Randy Gardner, from the Ohio Department of Higher Education
Representative Phillip M. Robinson Jr., House of Representatives Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Ranking Minority Member, Ohio House of Representatives

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Senator Peggy Lehner, Senate Education Committee, Chair, Ohio Senate
Senator Teresa Fedor, Senate Education Committee, Ranking Minority Member, Ohio Senate
Representative Don Jones, Chair, House of Representative Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Ohio House of Representatives

Ohio Department of Education staff attending:

Shawna Gibson
Jill Grubb
Kathleen Herrmann
Thomas McGee
Trevor Mumm
Lori Parker
Eric Petro
Julia Simmerer
John Soloninka
Jason Wagner

General session

I. Call to Order: Ms. Bell called the business meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call: Ms. Gibson read the roll call.

III. Introductions: Ms. Bell introduced Representative Phillip M. Robinson Jr., House of Representatives Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Ranking Minority Member, Ohio House of Representatives and ex-officio member of the Educator Standards Board.

Ms. Bell introduced members of the Subcommittee of Standards for Teacher Preparation: Wendy Adams and Diana Garlough.

IV. Approval of the Agenda: Ms. Bell requested a motion to accept the May 8, 2020, agenda as distributed. Mr. Brown made the motion to accept the agenda and Ms. Robinson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All members present were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

V. Approval of Minutes: Ms. Bell requested a motion to approve the March 6, 2020, minutes. Ms. McDonald made the motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Lather seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All members present were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

VI. Report from the Chair: There was no report from the chair.

VII. Report from the Ohio Department of Education: Ms. Everidge-Frey presented the report for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Mr. Paolo DeMaria.

- Working to provide support to the educators throughout this closure period as things change. Working on getting informational documents out.
- Coronavirus link is on the ODE's home page. On that page there are quick links in red. All the informational documents are separated into four tabs. A general information section, a tab for supporting teachers and leaders, a performance and impact tab and a tab on meeting the needs of the whole child.
- Working on the reset and restart document. Hoping to have that out soon. The purpose of this document is to help the districts think through how they are going to do this in the fall.

VIII. Report from the State Board of Education: Ms. Everidge-Frey presented the report for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Mr. Paolo DeMaria.

- The April State Board meeting was cancelled due to the ongoing Coronavirus crisis.
- The May meeting is set up. On Monday there will be four committee meetings scheduled throughout the day back to back. Tuesday will be the actual board meeting itself.
- We were asked to cut the State Board agenda back to the most essential business while we work through the technology.
- Our Committee is first up on Monday. We are going to give them updates on licensure, career tech, evaluation and the 3rd grade reading guarantee.

IX. Report from the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE): Ms. Molski presented the report on behalf of Chancellor Randy Gardner, from the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

- Shared a link for the Higher education COVID-19 guidance.
- A survey to Educator Preparation programs has gone out inquiring the number of students who have been affected or impacted by COVID-19. Those surveys will be due July 1st.

X. Report from the Office of Educator Effectiveness: Mr. Soloninka presented the report on behalf of Ms. Harper:

- Working with our Office of Communication to push out information about teacher appreciation week. Developed several items that are on our webpage and on our social media pages.
- Teacher of the Year program continues. We have postponed and delayed some deadline because of the current situation. The Ohio Teacher of the Year is a program of the State Board of Education. The eleven elected members of the State Board of Education receive the nominations from the districts they represent. One is selected of the 11 districts. Then forwarded to the State level and then reviewed with the State Board Members and others to choose the Ohio Teacher of the Year. Hopefully that will be announced sometime in the fall.
- The teacher of the year has selected five teachers for the TORCH awards: Teachers of the Ohio Representing Characters and Heart. Those five have been announced and awarded virtually. Those are posted on our website
- The Resident Educator Program continues. We are closing up this years' work. Had over 20,000 teachers in the program this year. There are roughly 5,000 new teachers every year in the state of Ohio. There were 4,700 teachers who took the RESA this year and we received the score reports. We will report on the passage rates at the next meeting. Typically, the training for new mentors happens over the summer and early fall. With COVID-19 all those trainings got cancelled and we moved that to a virtual online approach.
- Evaluations OTES and OPES 1.0 and 2.0. Some of those trainings and deadlines have been extended, postponed or delayed. Working on the OPES 2.0 rubric.
- Superintendent Standards – creating a new sub-committee to review those standards.

- Pearson OAE test data. Will continue to work with them to get the information that you requested regarding pass rates based on gender and ethnicity. They are working with us to develop the three PK-5 tests. The pedagogical or professional knowledge test. Also, a content test for the Pk-5 primary license. The content test for the PK-5 primary Intervention Specialist. The fourth test is the new test for treasurers.
- Diversifying the workforce and Equity. Rolling out Equity Labs. Coming up with a plan that the State can embrace for diversifying the workforce.
- We have a group of about 50 Ohio Teacher Leader Liaisons. We have had several meetings with them. We have moved those meetings to virtual meetings. This year the Ohio Teacher Leadership summit is planned for June 10 and we have moved that to a virtual meeting. We have over 400 teachers signed up for it.

XI. Committee Reports:

Licensure and Standards Joint Committee: The report was presented by Ms. McDonald.

- In a joint session of Licensure and Standards Committee the OAE scores were reviewed. No passing score revisions were suggested. However, the committee did ask for further breakdown of the scores to include gender and ethnicity passage rates to be reviewed at a later date. We also have some action items to present.
 - On behalf of the Licensure Committee I move to accept the rule revisions for OAC 3301-24-23 Resident Educator License Renewal, OAC3301-24-24 Alternative Resident Educator License Renewal, and the OAC NEW Temporary Military License as presented. Ms. Bell stated there was no second needed. No discussion. All members present were in favor, none opposed. The motions passed.

XII. Discussion items: There were no discussion items.

XIII. Action items:

- OAC 3301-24-23 Resident Educator License Renewal, OAC3301-24-24 Alternative Resident Educator License Renewal and OAC NEW Temporary Military License were discussed and voted on during the committee reports. See above.

XIV. Old business: There was no old business.

XV. New business:

- Ms. McDonald expressed a concern that the March 2021 Educator Standards Board meeting is being held on the same day of the Educators Rising event. Concern is Educators Rising utilizes a lot of the board members. Carolyn suggested that we will check with Quest for availability.

XVI. Announcements:

- Ms. Bell noted that the next ESB meeting will be June 4-5, 2020. Tentatively it will be in this same virtual format.

- Ms. Bell thanked everyone involved for setting this meeting up virtually.

XVII. Adjournment: Ms. Bell called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Kendralla made the motion for adjournment, and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. All members were in favor, none opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.