



Nebraska Council on Teacher Education

**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2019**

Meeting Time: 10:07 A.M – 2:32 P.M.

**Meeting Location: Nebraska Department of Education, V-Tel Room
Nebraska State Office Building—6th Floor
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509**

Committee Members Present: Phyllis Spethman - President
Diana Casey – President-Elect, Committee ‘A’ Chair
Sharra Smith – Committee ‘B’ Chair
Dr. Deborah Frison – NDE
Brad Dirksen – NDE

Committee Members Absent: Mark Lenihan – Committee ‘C’ Chair

Guests: Dr. Lorinda Sankey – Concordia University
Dr. Kathleen Wheeler – Concordia University
Pat Madsen – NDE
Marlene Beiermann – NDE

Call to Order: Spethman – called to order at 10:07 a.m.

- 1) Welcome and Introductions
- 2) Approval of August 24, 2018 Executive Committee Minutes – Motion to approve by Casey; seconded by Dirksen; motion approved.
- 3) Review of October 12, 2018 Full Council Meeting Minutes
- 4) Review of October 12, 2018 Standing Committee Meetings Minutes

Concordia University Rejoinder—Dr. Lorinda Sankey and Dr. Kathleen Wheeler;
The NCTE Executive Council approved the rejoinder for Concordia University.

Working Lunch – How can we strengthen relationship/ties to the Board of Education? To the Legislative Committee? To the Commissioner? Is building these relationships important to the work of the Council?

Reports:

Status of Rules in Approval Process

- 5) **Rule 23** – Brad Dirksen – want to use composite score for Basic Skills test. ACT test scores would be Math – 22, and ELA - 20. These scores are close to CAEP standards. Would like to remove the Basic Skills test as an entrance requirement into teacher preparation programs, and keep the Basic Skills a requirement for initial teacher certification. Statute

change is underway to clean up language related to basic skills; removing “taken by teacher education students at a standard institution of higher education” from 79-807(1).

- 6) Rule 24 – Pat Madsen – Changes for August, 2019 include: adding a Health Sciences Field endorsement; changing definition of ‘practicum’ to match what is in other rules; remove Assessment Leadership endorsement as an active endorsement, but it will stay in Rule for those who already have the endorsement. For clarification, there is no content test for the Health Sciences endorsement or the Skilled and Technical Sciences endorsement as the NDE legal department determined a content test was unnecessary.

Status of Rule 24 Endorsements in Review Process: Madsen

- 7) Endorsements at ad hoc committee level
 - Science – February 27, 2019 meeting at The Cornhusker; want to create an “integrated science’ endorsement.
 - Elementary (summer 2019)
- 8) Endorsements ready for first/second reading: None
- 9) Endorsements ready for final reading: None

Program Approval Schedule: Madsen

- 10) Union College Folio Review – November, 2018 (Rule 20 and Elementary Education); done virtually
- 11) York College On-Site Visit – December 2-4, 2018; went well
- 12) Bellevue University – March 28; asking for temporary approval
Wayne State College Probationary On-Site Visit – April 7-9, 2019;
Since Wayne State College has not heard from CAEP, NDE will reach out to CAEP to try to push action on CAEP’s lack of communication. Madsen will reach out to CAEP and Dr. Shudak
- 13) Doane University On-Site Visit – April 14-16, 2019
- 14) Concordia University On-Site Visit – April 28-30, 2019
- 15) Chadron State College Folio Review – July 11, 2019
- 16) Union College On-Site Visit – October 20-22, 2019

Organizational Policies Review Task Force: Casey

- 17) Any suggested changes? Nothing has been done yet—move to April Executive Committee for discussion

Discussion Items – as time ran short, little discussion was given to these topics

- 18) Teacher shortages
- 19) Alternative certification – LR 452 (October 19, 2018)
- 20) Council membership development – developing a strategic plan
- 21) Role of NCTE and responsibilities of Executive Committee
- 22) Acknowledging members for their service to the Council
- 23) Other?

New Business

- 24) Appointment of Nominating Committee for President-Elect – Spethman – HED, Smith-Governance; Casey-Teacher Representatives will serve as a nominating committee. The next President-Elect needs to be from the Governance group of NCTE.
- 25) Selection/approval of meeting dates for 2020-21 year? October 11, 2019, March 13, 2020, May 29, tentative?

Development of Agenda for March 8, 2019 Full Council Meeting

- 26) Guest speaker for First General Session: Priority schools – who is needed in today's schools? Lane? Shirley? One of them will be approached to speak at the March meeting;
- 27) Legislative update - Brian Halsted
- 28) Impact of LB 1052 regarding dyslexia legislation. Will approach Cory Epler to speak on this issue.
- 29) Rule status reports – R23 and R 24
- 30) NDE updates (endorsements, program approvals, etc.)
- 31) Stakeholder reports – various organizations give reports
- 32) Topics for standing committee discussions?

Adjourn – 2:32 p.m.