

DELAWARE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

The Townsend Building
Cabinet Room
401 Federal Street
Dover, Delaware 19901

Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2020
5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Gerald Allen, Amber Augustus, Jennifer Campbell, Teri Eros, Holly Grandfield, Sandra Hall, David Kohan, Byron Murphy, Fran O'Malley, Darlene O'Neill, Loretta Phipps-Greig, Mary Pinkston, and Sue Smith

Members Absent: Earle Dempsey, Darren Guido, and Celeste Bunting

Others Present: Linnea Bradshaw, Executive Director, Professional Standards Board (PSB); Laura Makransky, Deputy Attorney General, representing the PSB; Tracy Poitras, PSB Administrative Assistant; Wendy Modzelewski, Licensure and Certification; Deb Stevens, DSEA; Jenna Ahner, SBE; Tammy Croce, DASA; and Susan Haberstroh, DOE

I. Opening

A. **Call to Order:** Byron Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:11p.m.

B. Roll Call

Tracy Poitras conducted roll call for the meeting with 12 members present (Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, and Pinkston).

C. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the February 6, 2020 agenda was made by Ms. Phipps-Greig and seconded by Ms. Eros. **The motion carried unanimously** (12 – Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig and Pinkston; 0 – No).

D. Approval of December 5, 2019 PSB Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the **December 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes** was made by Ms. Grandfield and seconded by Ms. Campbell. **The motion carried** (10 – Yes: Allen, Campbell, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Pinkston, and Smith; 0 – No; 3 – Abstentions: Augustus, Eros and Phipps-Greig)

II. Executive Director's Update

Dr. Linnea Bradshaw presented an update of her activities in the last month and regulations that will be coming before the PSB in the following months.

III. Standing Committee Updates

A. *Licensure and Certification Criteria Committee (LCCC)*

Sue Smith informed PSB about recent regulations that were discussed at the January meeting. The committee voted to bring Regulation 1582 School Nurse to PSB. Regulations 1571 Special Education Teacher of Students with Disabilities, 1533 Middle School Science Teacher and 1543 Secondary Science Teacher needed more clarification and were tabled until next LCCC meeting in February.

B. *Professional Development and Associated Compensation Committee (PDACC)*

Dr. Bradshaw stated that this committee has not met since May 2019 but is scheduled to meet on February 12, 2020.

IV. Regulations

A. *1513 Denial of License and Permits*

A motion to present amendments to Regulation 1513 for the DOE to adopt informally was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Ms. Phipps-Greig. The motion carried (12-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No; 1-Abstention: O'Malley).

B. *1515 Hearing Procedures and Rules*

A motion to present amendments to Regulation 1515 for the DOE to adopt informally was made by Ms. Eros and seconded by Ms. Phipps-Greig. The motion carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No).

C. *1521 Elementary Teacher*

A motion to present amendments to Regulation 1521 for adoption by DOE subject to the State Board of Education's approval was made by Ms. Phipps-Greig and seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No).

D. *1582 School Nurse*

A motion to publish amendments to Regulation 1582 was made by Ms. Grandfield and seconded by Ms. Phipps-Greig. The motion carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No).

E. 1508 Special Institute for Teacher Licensure and Certification (for repeal)

A motion to publish the repeal of Regulation 1508 was made by Dr. O'Malley and seconded by Ms. Phipps-Greig. The motion carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No)

F. 1509 Meritorious New Teacher Candidate Designation (for repeal)

A motion to publish the repeal of Regulation 1509 was made by Ms. Eros and seconded by Dr. Augustus. The motion carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No)

G. 1595 Certification Programs for Leaders in Education (for repeal)

A motion to present the repeal of Regulation 1595 for the DOE to adopt informally was made by Ms. Grandfield and seconded by Dr. Augustus. The motion carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith. 0-No).

V. Other

A. PSB License Denial Action, File 2019-01

The PSB discussed whether to conduct the hearing in License Denial Action, File 2019-01 as a full board, or to refer the matter to a hearing officer. A motion that the PSB conduct the hearing in the license denial action as a board was made by Ms. Phipps-Greig and seconded by Ms. Campbell. The motion was carried unanimously (13-Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston and Smith; 0-No).

VI. Discussion Items

A. Education, knowledge, and skill requirements for educators who seek an additional Standard Certificate in a content area.

The board discussed the requirements for additional Standard Certificates. No decision was made regarding the requirements. The discussion will continue at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

VIII. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

IV. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion carried unanimously (13 –Yes: Allen, Augustus, Campbell, Eros, Grandfield, Hall, Kohan, Murphy, O'Malley, O'Neill, Phipps-Greig, Pinkston, and Smith; 0 – No).

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.