

AGENDA
WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Capitol Building 6, Suite 600
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Charleston, West Virginia
April 12, 2023 - 9:00 a.m.

- I. **Welcome - Pledge of Allegiance - Introductions - Call to Order**
L. Paul Hardesty, President
- II. **Approval of Agenda - (Action)**
L. Paul Hardesty
- III. **Recognition - 2022 West Virginia Milken Educator**
Stephanie Bishop, Vice President, Milken Educator Awards
David L. Roach, State Superintendent of Schools
- IV. **Delegation(s)**
- V. **School Safety Update (Cyber Safety) - (Information)**
Tim Konzett
- VI. **Consent Agenda - (Action)**
 - A. **Approval of Minutes - (Action)** **Attachment A**

It is recommended that the **minutes of the March 8, 2023, meeting of the WVBE be approved.**
 - B. **Routine Business**
 - 1. **West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) Personnel Matters - (Information)** **Attachment B**
David L. Roach
 - 2. **Employment of Substitute Teachers in Areas of Critical Need and Shortage - (Action)** **Attachment C**
Stephanie Abraham

Pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-2-3, Hancock and Wyoming Counties have submitted a policy for the WVBE's approval.

It is recommended that the **Employment of Substitute Teachers in Areas of Critical Need and Shortage policies for Hancock and Wyoming Counties be approved.**
 - 3. **Employment of Substitute Teachers in Areas of Critical Need and Shortage Affidavits - (Action)** **Attachment D**
Stephanie Abraham

Pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-2-3(c)(2)(G), affidavits found in the attachment must be received and approved by the WVBE for submission to the Consolidated Public Retirement Board.

WVBE legal counsel has reviewed the affidavits and recommend that the **affidavits identified in the attachment be submitted to the Consolidated Public Retirement Board.**

4. Amendment - Barbour County Board of Education 2020-2030 Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan (CEFP) - (Action) Attachment E
Micah Whitlow

Policy 6200 requires all local boards of education to submit amendments to CEFPs to the WVBE and the School Building Authority of West Virginia (SBA) for approval. The Barbour County Board of Education requests approval to revise their 2020-2030 CEFP to include renovations and additions to Barbour County Career and Technical Education Center. This amendment will provide expanded and updated learning areas for students and enable the county to adapt its facilities to better serve the county's maintenance and transportation needs. It is proposed that the project be funded through local funds and a grant from the SBA.

It is recommended that **the Barbour County Board of Education's request to amend their 2020-2030 CEFP be approved.**

5. Amendment - Fred W. Eberle Technical Center 2020-2030 Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan (CEFP) - (Action) Attachment F
Micah Whitlow

Policy 6200 requires all Multi-County Career Technical Education Centers to submit amendments to CEFPs to the WVBE and the School Building Authority of West Virginia (SBA) for approval. The Fred W. Eberle Technical center requests approval to revise their 2020-2030 CEFP to modify an existing project defined in their CEFP to include a dust collection system. This project will meet current industry standards and improve the air quality of the classroom. It is proposed that the project be funded through a grant from the SBA.

It is recommended that the **Fred W. Eberle Technical Center's request to amend their 2020-2030 CEFP be approved.**

6. Amendment - Roane Jackson Technical Center 2020-2030 Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan (CEFP) - (Action) Attachment G
Micah Whitlow

Policy 6200 requires all Multi-County Career Technical Education Centers to submit amendments to CEFPs to the WVBE and the School Building Authority of West Virginia (SBA) for approval. Roane Jackson Technical Center requests approval to revise their 2020-2030 CEFP to amend their current Electrical Technology classroom project to include an HVAC/Plumbing Technology classroom and make it the first priority. This project will greatly improve the curriculum offerings available to students by allowing them to

explore careers in Electrical, HVAC, and Plumbing Technologies. It is proposed that the project be funded through a grant from the SBA.

It is recommended that the **Roane Jackson Technical Center's request to amend their 2020-2030 CEFP be approved.**

7. **West Virginia Alternative Certification Educator Preparation Program Review Board (ACEPPRB) Recommendation to Approve Documentation as an Addendum to the Cabell County Schools: GROW Educators Program for General Education Provided by Cabell County Schools in Partnership with the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) - (Action)** Attachment H
Carla Warren

ACEPPRB members voted to recommend for approval documentation as an addendum to the Cabell County Schools: GROW Educators Program for general education provided by Cabell County Schools in partnership with the WVDE to add the endorsements of English 5-9, English 5-Adult, Health PreK-Adult, Health 5-Adult, Social Studies 5-9, and Social Studies 5-Adult. The main function of the ACEPPRB is to review and make recommendations to the WVBE regarding the approval of alternative certification educator preparation programs of study leading to teacher certification. The ACEPPRB structure supports the intended collaborative process to ascertain effective alternative certification educator preparation programs in West Virginia school districts, filling critical need and shortage teacher vacancies with educators that are appropriately prepared and qualified. Policy 5901 provides guidelines and procedures for the approval of alternative certification educator preparation programs leading to licensure in West Virginia and Policy 5202 provides guidelines and procedures for the issuance of licensure including the Alternative Teaching Certificate.

It is recommended the WVBE **approve documentation as an addendum to the Cabell County Schools: GROW Educators Program for general education provided by Cabell County Schools in partnership with the WVDE to add the endorsements of English 5-9, English 5-Adult, Health PreK-Adult, Health 5-Adult, Social Studies 5-9, and Social Studies 5-Adult.**

8. **Association for Advancing Quality on Education Preparation (AAQEP) Accreditation Final Decision for Educator Preparation Programs (Fall 2022): Alderson-Broadus University - Full Seven Year Accreditation and Bethany College - Two Year Probationary Accreditation (and Continuation of WVDE Corrective Action Plan) - (Action)** Attachment I
Carla Warren

In December 2022, AAQEP issued their accreditation decision to Alderson Broadus University and Bethany College, who hosted full on-site reviews in the Fall of 2022. Alderson Broadus University received the decision of Full Accreditation for seven years and Bethany received Probationary Accreditation for two years. The West Virginia Educator Preparation Program Review Board members met in January 2023 and agreed on the AAQEP decisions and recommend the status as listed above and for: 1) Full Accreditation for Alderson Broadus University and to remove the institution

from the WVDE Corrective Action Plan; and 2) two year Probationary Accreditation for Bethany College with a continuation of the WVDE Corrective Action Plan.

It is recommended that the WVBE **accept the AAQEP decisions and EPPRB's recommendation of: 1) Full Accreditation for Alderson Broaddus University and to remove the institution from the WVDE Corrective Action Plan; and 2) two year Probationary Accreditation for Bethany College with a continuation of the WVDE Corrective Action Plan.**

9. Concord University's Addition of a Clinical Teacher of Record (CTR) Program with Mercer County - (Action) Attachment J
Carla Warren

In March 2023, the West Virginia Educator Preparation Program Review Board (EPPRB) members agreed on a recommendation of approval to the WVBE of Concord University's addition of a CTR Program with Mercer County. Policy 5100 provides guidelines and procedures for the approval of new and continuing educator preparation programs of study leading to licensure in West Virginia and also for CTR Agreements with West Virginia school districts. Policy 5100 supports the intended collaborative process to improve educator preparation programs and potential educators by incorporating program guidelines based on research and best practices. Support of continuous improvement and clear and consistent guidelines to West Virginia educator preparation programs will produce more effective educators in West Virginia schools, resulting in increased student learning in the classroom.

It is recommended that the WVBE **accept the EPPRB's recommendation of approval of Concord University's addition of a CTR Program with Mercer County.**

10. West Virginia University's Addition of a Clinical Teacher of Record (CTR) Program with Nicholas County - (Action) Attachment K
Carla Warren

In February 2023, the West Virginia Educator Preparation Program Review Board (EPPRB) members agreed on a recommendation of approval to the WVBE of West Virginia University's addition of a CTR Program with Nicholas County. Policy 5100 provides guidelines and procedures for the approval of new and continuing educator preparation programs of study leading to licensure in West Virginia and also for Clinical Teacher of Record Agreements with WV school districts. Policy 5100 supports the intended collaborative process to improve educator preparation programs and potential educators by incorporating program guidelines based on research and best practices. Support of continuous improvement and clear and consistent guidelines to West Virginia educator preparation programs will produce more effective educators in West Virginia schools, resulting in increased student learning in the classroom.

It is recommended that the WVBE **accept the EPPRB's recommendation of approval of West Virginia University's addition of a CTR Program with Nicholas County.**

- 11. West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory - (Action) Attachment L**
Robert Hagerman

The WVBE required licensure exams for educator certification and completion of WVBE approved programs leading to West Virginia licensure directory is maintained on the WVDE website. Additional test(s), scores, or exceptions have been changed to reflect updates in policy and exams.

It is recommended that the **West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory be approved.**

- 12. Policy 2520.2B, West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards Attachment M**
for Mathematics - (Action)
Sonya White

Policy 2520.2B is being revised to update and align high-quality content standards to mathematics per W. Va. Code §18-2-39 related to the college- and career-readiness initiative and to address requirements found in House Bill 3055 (West Virginia Legislature, 2023 Regular Session). Revisions include aligning grade-level and course-specific standards to reflect a more coherent progression of developmentally-appropriate mathematics learning, reorganizing of standards and courses to articulate horizontal and vertical connections, revising language to add clarity and reduce redundancies, and establishing a set of knowledge and skills that all individuals need to transition into employment, enlistment, and higher education. Two appendices are now included with the policy.

It is recommended that **Policy 2520.2B be placed on public comment for 30 days.**

- 13. Policy 5202, Minimum Requirements for the Licensure of Professional/ Attachment Mc**
Paraprofessional Personnel and Advanced Salary Classifications -
(Action)
Robert Hagerman

Policy 5202 establishes the requirements regarding licensure of educators to work in the public schools of West Virginia. As changes occur in education, certification and licensure, and recent legislative changes, policy must be revised to meet the current education system's need. As continuous revision occurs, Policy 5202 reflects many of these changes including the restructuring and formatting changes for the entire policy.

It is recommended that **Policy 5202 be placed on public comment for 30 days.**

- 14. Policy 5901, Regulations for Alternative Certification Programs for the Attachment N**
Education of Teachers - (Action)
Carla Warren

Policy 5901 is being amended to align program eligibility criteria pertaining to educational qualifications of sections 7.2.a.3 and 12.1 to accept newly approved exemptions of the West Virginia Licensure Testing Directory. The amended policy will allow greater flexibility to accept candidates into alternative certification programs who meet the minimum educational qualifications leading to initial teacher certification.

It is recommended that **Policy 5901 be placed on public comment for 30 days.**

15. West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Monthly Update - Attachment O (Information)

Clayton Burch, Superintendent, West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

VII. WVDE Reports - (Information)

► Superintendent's Updates

- Arts Alive/Fine Arts
- Literacy and Mathematics
- West Virginia Common Ground Partnership Including *Purple Up* Month and Military Signing Week
- Academic Showdown

VIII. New Business

A. West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) and West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) Personnel Matters and Litigation Update in B.P.J. by her next friend and mother, Heather Jackson - (Action) Attachment P

L. Paul Hardesty

WVBE personnel and/or legal matters may involve an Executive Session as provided in W. Va. Code §6-9A-4(b)(2)(A) [personnel exception] and/or §6-9A-4 [matters involving attorney-client privilege per *Peters v. County Commission*, 205 W. Va. 481 (1999)]. The Board majority must vote to have an Executive Session. **(No action will be taken in Executive Session.)**

It is recommended and a motion is requested that the **WVBE personnel matters found in the attachment be approved.**

IX. WVBE Member Updates and Requests for Information - (Information)

L. Paul Hardesty

X. Future Meetings - (Information)

L. Paul Hardesty

The next regular meeting of the WVBE will be held May 10, 2023, in Charleston, West Virginia.

XI. Adjournment - (Action)