MINUTES
Thursday, January 13
Lewis & Clark, State Capitol

The Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) meeting was called to order by chair, Doug Johnson. All board members were present for the January meeting. The board members are Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. ESPB staff members who were at the meeting were: Deb Jensen, Janet Placek, Bonnie Thompson and Diane Weber. Visitors were: Faye Reimers and Max Laird from NDEA, Roman Weiler from State Association of Nonpublic Schools, Mike Hillman from University Systems and Bill Peterson from the Attorney General's Office.

A motion was made by Don to approve the December minutes as written. Second from Mike. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz.

Due to Y2K concerns, the December financial report was compiled as of December 29, 1999. Therefore, credit card discounts payments and December 31 interest was not reflected on financial report. Janet reported that there were no Y2K problems. The December financial report showed $27,971.70 in revenue with $22,921.22 in expenses. Fifty-four percent of the budget has been expended.

Janet informed the board that insurance for equipment/inventory has been purchased thru State Fire/Tornado Fund. A motion was made by Maryjane to approve the audit for submission to the State Auditor's office. Second by Laura. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz.

Deb thanked the group for all their work regarding program approval standards revisions and provided a written progress report. The standards can be viewed on our website. The standards matrices were submitted to NCATE on December 22 as part of the partnership agreement. Doug commented that we would have to keep funding the standards revisions process to keep our standards in alignment. Deb informed the group that the Wishek area teachers inquired about professional development training. Pat Laubach at DPI had provided Deb with information that two more years of funding will be available through Goals 2000. The next request for proposal is due to be submitted January 31, 2000 with funding to be awarded in March.

Janet distributed the report on quality of teacher preparation. This report will be submitted each year. This report is pushing for assessment testing. Much discussion was done on the out-of-

state review fee. A subcommittee was formed to gather information, etc, regarding the out-of-state review fee. The subcommittee consists of Laura, Linda, Janet, Deb and Doug Johnson. The subcommittee will conduct a conference call on January 18 at 1:00.

Doug Johnson reported to the group that he met with Janet regarding her evaluation. The evaluation comments were very good. Bev thanked Janet and the ESPB office staff for their efforts in making it a smooth year.

Doug LaPlante reported that the deans group is working on a draft for a student testing.

Mike Hillman asked the group for their support in SHEEO (State Higher Education Executive Officers) Feasibility Study on Teacher Mobility; undertake teacher mobility, reciprocity of teaching credentials and portability of pension benefits. A motion was made by Don to have Deb goes as a representative of the board. Second by Linda. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. It was agreed that since Deb is working and the reciprocity study, she would be choice. The Teacher Mobility Study meeting will be held on February 3-4, 2000 in Washington DC.

CASES

Patrick Fairbanks

Bill presented the settlement agreement for Mr. Fairbanks. A motion was a made by Don to accept the five-year suspension instead of the revoking the teaching license of Mr. Fairbanks'. Second by Maryjane. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. Mr. Fairbanks could apply for a ND teaching license after September 9th, 2005.

Stacy Pudwill (FYI)

Bill informed the board that Mr. Pudwill is being in incarcerated and is being charged with similar charges in South Dakota.

Charlotte Raguse (FYI)

Bill informed the board that formal hearing order has been closed.

Alan Worrel (FYI)

Bill informed the board that we are still waiting for the sentencing of the criminal conviction.

Thomas Scheeler (FYI)

Bill informed the board that the formal hearing order has been closed.

Mark Sondag (Administrative Board)
A motion was made by Bev to begin the revocation process of Mr. Sondag's license due to the criminal judgement. Second by Laura. The administrative board who voted yes were Laura Carney, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness.

Denise Raeder
A motion was made by Linda to issue an initial, two-year license. Second by Bev. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. Ms. Raeder's application was brought before the board because of her background check. Ms. Raeder will be employed at the Valley City Area Vocational Center.

Ronald Kunkel
A motion was made by Don to issue an initial, two-year license. Second by Mike. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. Mr. Kunkel's application was brought to the board because of his background check. Mr. Kunkel is presently teaching at the Standing Rock Community Grant School in Fort Yates.

Tim Thueson (Administrative Board)
A motion was made by Randy to accept the principal evaluation from the Pettibone/Tuttle Public School and remove Mr. Thueson from the supervision plan. Second by Laura. The administrative board who voted yes were: Laura Carney, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Maryjane Martens and Bev Sandness.

Corey Frink
A motion was made by Laura to issue an initial, two-year license. Second by Mike. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. Mr. Frink's license application was presented to the board because of his background check. The ESPB office is not aware if Mr. Frink has been offered employment.

Kelly Timm
Ms. Timm asked that she be extended additional time to complete the native American studies course due to her husband's medical emergency. A motion was made by Maryjane to issue Ms. Timm another two-year license, under NDCCC 15-36-11.1 (exception rule). Second by Mike. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. Ms. Timm is a 1st grade teacher at Lewis/Clark Elementary School in Fargo.

Jodi Krueger
The board due to her background check was considering Ms. Krueger's license application. A motion was made by Linda to issue an initial, two-year license. Second by Randy. Board members voting yes were: Laura Carney, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Randy Gordon, Doug Johnson, Doug LaPlante, Maryjane Martens, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz. The ESPB office is not aware if Ms. Krueger has been offered employment.

Part of the afternoon the Licensure/Goals Committee and Program Approval/Professional Development Committee met and did some planning.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15. The next board meeting is scheduled for February 10th. Attempts will be made to schedule future board meeting in a larger conference room.

Chair
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Secretary/Executive Director

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