## Education Standards and Practices Board Program Approval Advisory Committee Minutes

May 9, 2019

The Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) Program Approval Advisory Committee (PAAC) meeting was called to order at 8:00 by ESPB Executive Director Rebecca Pitkin. PAAC members present were Jessica Rush, Bob Toso, Kim Belgarde. Those present by conference call were Mary Eldredge-Sandbo, Andi Dulski-Bucholz, Cheryl Nilsen, Penny Veit-Hetletved, Brenda Tufte, and Stacy Duffield.

PAAC member absent was Ben Johnson.

Also present were Rebecca Pitkin and Amy Folkestad from ESPB.

Introductions were held.

**Approval of March 2019 Minutes –** Bob Toso made a motion to approve the March 2019 PAAC minutes. Motion seconded by Jessica Rush. All voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

**Update on Accreditation Council Decisions (Dickinson State University and Minot State University) –** Dickinson State University and Minot State University have had their phone calls with CAEP and are still waiting to hear the accreditation decisions. North Dakota State University had their CAEP visit several weeks ago.

**Update on University of Jamestown and Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College –** University of Jamestown has been given a time sensitive plan of action. First requirement has been met and they have submitted a progress report. They are currently on track.

Trinity Bible College program reports are due this month.

Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish College program review was due this fall. The state felt that what they submitted was unacceptable. Information was sent to content experts and all standards were unmet. Becky met with them in February and program was not in a place that it could be fixed a little to bring them into compliance. A plan of action was developed with the recommendation that they go to CAEP conference to find out what this process is all about.

NHSC has hired a consultant who will be going to NHSC to help them with this process.

**Upcoming Standards Reviews –** Core Math test standards will be reviewed in May at NDSU, the same day as CAEP elementary standards. A computer Science standards review will be held in Jamestown in August.

**Legislative Session –** HB 1531 requires ESPB to issue a teaching permit for non-core content areas when a school cannot find a qualified applicant. ESPB is still working to determine what this process will look like. HB 1287 created a licensure pathway using American Board for Teaching Excellence. This would allow someone with a bachelor's

degree to complete American Board's competency tests and then apply for a license. Within the applicant's first two years of teaching, some additional requirements need to be completed. This will lead to regular licensure in North Dakota. Becky also reviewed licenses by content areas from 16-17 from ND institutions.

**Next meeting –** The next PAAC meeting will be held during the fall of 2019. At that time, there will be updates on CAEP decisions and standards recommendations.

None opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:21am.

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Rebecca Pitkin, Secretary/Executive Director