

**Education Standards and Practices Board  
Program Approval Advisory Committee  
Video Conference Meeting Minutes**

September 8, 2022

The Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) Program Approval Advisory Committee (PAAC) video conference meeting was called to order at 12:00pm by PAAC Chair Brenda Tufte. Introductions were held.

PAAC members present were Brenda Tufte, Chris Ray, Mary Eldredge-Sandbo, Joan Aus, Katherine Terras, and Siri Coleman.

Also present by video conference were ESPB Executive Director Rebecca Pitkin and Amy Bigelow from ESPB.

**Additions/Changes to the Agenda** – Joan Aus made a motion to accept the agenda, seconded by Chris Ray. All voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

**Approval of May 2022 Minutes** – Katherine Terras made a motion to approve the May 2022 PAAC minutes. Motion seconded by Joan Aus. All voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

**Approval of United Tribes Site Visit Report** – All five Initial CAEP standards have been met. The EPP does have some Areas for Improvement (AFIs). They already have a plan to address these AFIs. Recommendation of accreditation for 7 years.

Joan Aus made a motion to approve UTTC site visit report as presented. Seconded by Chris Ray. All voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

**Update on Apprenticeship Models** – DPI has currently provided grant funding to two North Dakota programs, with the end goal to eventually move all of those programs to Department of Labor Apprenticeship funding. DPI and Superintendent Baesler have provided funding to hire two individuals to help roll out this model – David Donaldson has been hired to oversee the process. Former Hawaii licensure director Lynn Hammond has been hired to work with the programs that have been provided DPI grant funding to move toward this apprenticeship model.

Dr. Hammond's task right now is to provide support to the grant programs, but eventually a resource guide to all EPPs in ND.

**Update on Shortage Summit Work Group** – The Teacher Shortage Summit was held this summer and work groups were formed in the areas of Retention, Raising the Profession, Recruitment, and Licensure. Under licensure, a number of sub-work groups have also been formed. More updates will come in the future.

**Update on ESPB Board Work** – Many ideas developed at the ESPB Board retreat in August. One of these is exploring the Montana Model used by Education Preparation

Programs. The model is a rubric and uses things such as GPA, portfolio, and Praxis tests to determine if recommendation for licensure is provided.

ND has been invited to participate with The Hunt Institute on a reading initiative. This is ongoing.

**Upcoming Site Visits –**

- VCSU October 16-18, 2022
- UND November 6-8, 2022
- Becky national visit December 4, 2022 and February 26-28, 2023
- Sitting Bull College Spring 2023

Meeting was adjourned at 12:43pm.

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Brenda Tufte, Chair

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Rebecca Pitkin, Secretary/Executive Director