



Certification and Higher Education Committee

Maine State Board of Education

Minutes of the April 24, 2012 Meeting

The Certification and Higher Education Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at the Department of Education in Augusta. The following were present: Chair Nancy Perkins; Jana Lapoint; Dottie Martin; Heidi Sampson (Board Members); Mark Cyr and Harry Osgood(DOE Staff)
Guest: Kathy Yardley, University of Maine at Farmington

Nancy Perkins called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM.

- Chapter 114 Review: PURPOSE, STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR EDUCATION PERSONNEL: This Chapter contains the State Board of Education standards and procedures for the review and approval of preparation programs for education personnel.
 - Harry Osgood led the committee through the Chapter 114 draft and used the document that he had created for the reference points for changes.
- Educational Testing Service (ETS):
 - Mark Cyr reviewed the status of the Elementary Education Praxis II. The committee briefly discussed accepting the constructive response version of the text. Mark will provide more information on this test.
 - The committee also discussed looking at continuity in all ETS tests that have a constructive response section. This will be reviewed at the next committee meeting.
 - Cathy Owens Oliver from ETS will be asked to join the May 21, 2012 committee meeting to provide more information on the above topics.

MOTION by Dottie Martin, seconded by Jana Lapoint and unanimously voted by those present for the department to begin the process for accepting the ETS test scores for the Chinese language teachers.

The next Certification Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 21, 2012 at 9:00 AM. The meeting will be held in room 541 of the Cross State Office Building.

Adjournment

The Certification Committee meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.