



MAINE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

23 State House Station
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

STATE OF MAINE

The State Board of Education held a regular monthly meeting on July 13, 2011, at the Cross State Office Building, Room 103, Augusta, Maine. The following members were present: Chair James Banks, Sr.; Vice Chair Steven Pound; Marilyn Temple Tardy; Nancy Perkins; Dorothy Martin; Lynda Doyle; Martha Harris; Jana Lapoint; Angela Bechard; and Chelsey Whynot.

Excused: James Carignan

Also present were: Commissioner Stephen Bowen; Wanda Monthey, Policy Director of Standards, Assessment and Regional Services; Harry Osgood, Higher Education Specialist; and Mary Becker, Secretary Associate, State Board of Education.

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair James Banks, Sr., called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOVED by Steven Pound, seconded by Dottie Martin, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the June 15, 2011 minutes as written.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Chair, James Banks, Sr.:

- He attended the first day of the Superintendents Conference. It was very interesting with the various presenters. The Round Table session was very productive and there were 170 people in attendance.
- He was present for the signing of LD 1553 – The Public Charter School Bill.
- As Chair of the State Board of Education he wants to personally thank Commissioner Bowen and to take this opportunity to put on public record the support of his leadership during this past Legislative Session. Commissioner Bowen's work on behalf of education in Maine is outstanding. His Listening Tour of the State has been very important to improve the relationship between the Department of Education and each Public Administrative School District in Maine.

Vice Chair, Steven Pound:

- On June 20, 2011, he attended an Eastern Maine Community College event to raise scholarship dollars for students.
- He attended a Maine Adult Education Conference at Colby College on June 21 – 23, 2011. The focus of the conference was on Pathways.
- He attended a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Collaborative meeting on June 21, 2011. The focus of this meeting was an emphasis on subject areas in high school and college.
- He attended a Maine Career Development Association meeting on June 24, 2011. The focus was on emerging careers and counseling for Career Development.
- On June 27 – 28, 2011 he attended the Superintendents Conference at the Senator Inn.
- He attended a Federal Department of Labor meeting on June 26, 2011. The Economic Workforce Development focused on a collaboration model of 4 entities – Business, Education, Economic Development and Workforce Development.
- He attended a Mobilize Maine Initiative meeting on July 6, 2011. He is the Chair of the subcommittee and he reported out on the Educational Sector Direction for the Bangor Region.
- He attended a Maine School Management Association (MSMA) event on July 11, 2011.
- He attended a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Retreat at Maple Hill Farm on July 12, 2011.
- He attended a Maine Adult Education Association (MAEA) meeting with Commissioner Bowen on July 12, 2011. The discussion was on the Career Pathways Initiative in Adult Education.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Marilyn Temple Tardy:

- The Construction Committee did not meet in July. The appeals committee (Jim Rier, Susan Corrente and Valerie Seaberg) have been reviewing the appeals that have come in and they feel confident that they will have the reviews done and ready for the Commissioner to present the final priority list at the August Board Business meeting.

Nancy Perkins:

- She attended the Superintendents Conference on June 27 – 28, 2011.
- She attended the Chapter 114 Stakeholder's Group meeting on June 17, 2011.
- The Certification and Higher Education Committee met on June 27, 2011.
- She participated in two webinars.

Lynda Doyle:

- She met with the owner of the Harraseeket Inn to arrange for the State Board to hold their annual retreat at his facility again this year, at a budget within State policy.

Dorothy Martin:

- She attended the Michael Brustein Career and Technical Education Grant Management Training Session on June 23, 2011.

Martha Harris:

- She attended the Superintendents Conference on June 27 – 28, 2011, and found it to be very enlightening and informative.
- She will be attending the National Association of State Boards of Education New Board Member Institute on July 22 – 23, 2011.

Jana Lapoint:

- She will be attending the National Association of State Boards of Education New Board Member Institute on July 22 – 23, 2011.
- She attended the Chapter 114 Stakeholders Group meeting on June 17, 2011.

Chelsey Whynot:

- No Report

Angela Bechard:

- No Report

CONSENT AGENDA:

RECEIPT OF THE REVIEW TEAM REPORT OF FINDINGS REGARDING THE REQUEST FROM LESLEY UNIVERSITY TO RENEW ITS CURRENT AUTHORIZATION TO OFFER ACADEMIC CREDIT PROGRAMS IN MAINE

RECEIPT OF THE REVIEW TEAM REPORT OF FINDINGS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL DEGREE-GRANTING AUTHORIZATION AS SUBMITTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND TO AWARD THE DOCTOR OF PRACTICAL NURSING (DNP) DEGREE

MOVED by Steven Pound, seconded by Marilyn Tardy, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF THE STATE BOARD BROCHURE

MOVED by Dottie Martin, seconded by Lynda Doyle, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the final draft of the State Board brochure with a comment deadline date of Wednesday, July 20, 2011

NEW BUSINESS:

RECEIPT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD REPORT OF
RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMISSIONER AND THE STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION

BACKGROUND: The Professional Standards Board, referred to in the chapter as the board, was established in Maine statute Title 20-A, Chapter 502-B "to advise the state board regarding professional growth, certification, endorsement, authorization and governance of the education profession in this State." The powers and duties of the board expand on these areas.

The statute defines those who are eligible to be nominated by the education profession and interested persons for positions on the board. The Governor then appoints the 22 members and 2 ex officio members to the Board for terms of three years. Currently the representative from the state board is Nancy Perkins who serves as an ex officio member of the board. The members serve without compensation but the state board is responsible for the mileage and expenses of this board and for furnishing the board with materials, secretarial assistance and meeting facilities. The board shall maintain records and minutes of its meetings and shall file them in the certification office within the department.

The board shall meet five times a year and must have an annual work plan in place by September 1 of each year. After the fifth meeting, "the board shall submit a report by June 30 of each year to the commissioner and the board with its recommendations." After that "the state board shall act on standards definitions or other recommendations within 60 days of presentation to the state board by the board." The state board received an emailed report in the state board assistant's email during regular business hours on June 30, 2011.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board move to receive the June 30, 2011 Report of the Professional Standards Board and refer the report to the Certification and Higher Education Committee of the State Board of Education for consideration of the recommendations of the Board; and, that the Committee will then bring to the State Board, within the 60 day requirement, proposed actions on the Professional Standards Board's recommendations.

MOVED by Nancy Perkins, seconded by Dottie Martin, and unanimously voted by those present to receive the June 30, 2011 Report of the Professional Standards Board and refer the report to the Certification and Higher Education Committee of the State Board of Education for consideration of the recommendations of the Board; and, that the Committee will then bring to the State Board, within the 60 day requirement, proposed actions on the Professional Standards Board's recommendations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Submit Expense Account Vouchers to Mary at the end of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No Public Comment

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Marilyn Tardy, seconded by Steven Pound, and unanimously voted by those present to adjourn the July 13, 2011, State Board of Education meeting at 2:01 PM.