

ADVISORY BOARD ON TEACHER EDUCATION AND LICENSURE (ABTEL) MEETING

MINUTES

Meeting Date and Location: January 26, 2015
Four Points By Sheraton Richmond Airport
Henrico, Virginia

ABTEL Members Present:

Bonnie Bowen	Dr. Susan Magliaro	Ruth Wallace
Dr. Catherine Fisher	Dr. Brian Matney	Jane Watkins
Dr. Rebecca Gates	Patricia McGloine	Vern Williams
Dr. Holly Gould	Nancy Moga	Dr. Sherry Agnew Wilson
Kathy Heil	Janice Bell Underwood	Dr. Phillip Wishon

ABTEL Members Absent: Allen Bierlair
Kathy Burcher
Courtney Gaskins
Thelma Hampton
Kate Sydney

Board of Education Liaison: Joan E. Wodiska

Ex-Officio Members: Dr. Monica Osei (Absent)
State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

Dr. Chris Pfautz (Absent)
Virginia Community College System

Patty S. Pitts
Virginia Department of Education

Department of Education Staff: Dr. Mark R. Allan

Guests: Mary Alice Hughes, Portsmouth City Public Schools
Antoinette M. Rogers, Virginia Education Association

FULL ADVISORY BOARD CONVENES

9:00 a.m.

- **Opening Remarks and Welcome**

Dr. Brian Matney, vice-chair of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL), presided in the absence of Courtney Gaskins, ABTEL chair. He called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and welcomed members and guests.

- **Introduction of ABTEL Members**

ABTEL members introduced themselves to the Advisory Board.

- **Introduction of the Board of Education Liaison, Ex Officio Members, and Department Personnel to ABTEL**

The Board of Education liaison, ex officio members, and Virginia Department of Education staff members introduced themselves to the Advisory Board.

- **Introduction of Guests**

Guests attending the meeting introduced themselves.

- **Recognition of ABTEL Member**

Dr. Brian Matney announced the resignation of Kathy Heil from the Advisory Board as she is assuming a position outside of teaching. Dr. Matney presented Ms. Heil with a *Virginia Board of Education Certificate of Recognition* for her distinguished service to the Advisory Board.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Bonnie Bowen made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Pat McGloine seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- **Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Cathy Fisher made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2014, Advisory Board meeting. Ruth Wallace seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- **Public Comment**

No individuals requested to speak during the public comment period.

PRESENTATIONS, REPORTS, AND BRIEFINGS

- **Report of Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure Recommendations to the Virginia Board of Education**

Patty S. Pitts, assistant superintendent, Division of Teacher Education and Licensure, provided a summary of the following Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure recommendations considered by the Board of Education at the November 20, 2014, meeting:

First Review of Recommendation of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL) to Accredite the Teacher Education Program at Ferrum College through a Process Approved by the Board of Education

The Board approved the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure's recommendation that the professional education program at Ferrum College be accredited.

Final Review of Recommendation of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL) to Grant Approval to Add New Education (Endorsement) Programs at Bluefield College, George Mason University, James Madison University, Mary Baldwin College, Old Dominion University, Radford University, Regent University, University of Virginia, and Washington and Lee University.

The Board of Education approved the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure's recommendations to grant approval to add new education (endorsement) programs at Bluefield College, George Mason University, James Madison University, Mary Baldwin College, Old Dominion University, Radford University, Regent University, University of Virginia, and Washington and Lee University, including the accountability measurement of partnerships and collaborations based on PreK-12 school needs for each of the programs.

- **Report on Proposed Federal Teacher Preparation Program Regulations**

Patty Pitts gave a report on proposed regulations to implement requirements for the teacher preparation program accountability system under Title II of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA) and proposed regulations governing the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program under Title IV of the HEA. The proposed regulations are currently posted to the *Federal Register*.

- **Report on the Status of Proposed Regulations**

The *Licensure Regulations for School Personnel* and the *Regulations Governing the Review and Approval of Education Programs* are proceeding through the requirements of the Administrative Process Act. The Board of Education approved these proposed regulations on June 27, 2013 (Proposed Stage).

The proposed *Licensure Regulations for School Personnel* and the *Regulations Governing the Review and Approval of Education Programs in Virginia* are currently in the executive review process of the Administrative Process Act (APA). After the executive review process has been completed, the procedures of the APA will continue, including a public comment period.

Patty Pitts and Dr. Mark Allan provided a report to the Advisory Board reviewing the proposed regulatory changes presented to the Board of Education in 2013.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ms. Wodiska, Board of Education liaison, expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to work with ABTEL members and to keep the Advisory Board abreast of the Board of Education's work; especially its focus on assisting challenged schools.

LIAISON REPORTS

Representatives from the Virginia Community College System (VCCS) and the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) were unable to attend the Advisory Board meeting.

Virginia Department of Education

Patty Pitts provided the following informational updates:

1. Dr. Patrick K. Murphy, school division superintendent, Arlington County Public Schools, was recently selected by the Virginia Association of School Superintendents as its 2015 Virginia Superintendent of the Year. In addition, Dr. Murphy has been named as one of four finalists for the 2015 Superintendent of the Year by the American Association of School Administrators.
2. Lisa Barnett, coordinator for Career and Technical Education in Botetourt County (where ABTEL member Ruth Wallace serves on the school board), was invited to be the guest of U.S. Senator Tim Kaine, at the State of Union address on January 20, 2015.
3. On January 22, 2015, the Board of Education approved *Guidelines for the Use of Computer Science Courses to Satisfy Graduation Requirements* developed in response to House Bill 1054 of the 2014 General Assembly.
4. The TeachVirginia contract, an educator career center, will expire at midnight on January 31, 2015, and the requirements will be competed. Unfortunately, a lapse in service will occur between the current contract expiration and a new contract award; however, this is necessary to ensure compliance with procurement regulations.

ADJOURNMENT

The Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure meeting adjourned.