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Action

General Session

Approval of the October 2014 Minutes

Executive Summary: The Executive Director recommends that the Commission approve the minutes of the October 2014 meeting of the Commission.

Recommended Action: Approve the minutes of the October 2014 meeting.

Presenter: None

Strategic Plan Goal

III. Communication and Engagement

- ◆ Continue to refine the coordination between Commissioners and staff in carrying out the Commission's duties, roles and responsibilities.

December 2014

Commission on Teacher Credentialing Minutes of the October 9-10, 2014 Meeting

Commission Members Attending

Linda Darling-Hammond, Faculty Member, Chair
Kathleen Harris, Teacher Representative, Vice Chair
Kirsten Barnes, Non-Administrative Services Representative
Constance Blackburn, Teacher Representative
Kathryn Browne, Ex-Officio, California Community College
C. Michael Cooney, Public Representative
Jose Gonzalez, Administrative Services Representative
Alicia Hinde, Teacher Representative
Georgette Imura, Public Representative
Bonnie Klatt, Teacher Representative
Shane Martin, Ex-Officio, Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities
Haydee Rodriguez, Teacher Representative
Ref Rodriguez, Public Representative
Tine Sloan, Ex-Officio, University of California (10/9 only)
Juliet Tiffany-Morales, School Board Member
Beverly Young, Ex-Officio, California State University
Richard Zeiger/Michelle Zumot, Designees, Superintendent of Public Instruction

General Session

Review and Updates to the Commission's Strategic Plan and Policy Manual

Renee Newton, Resourcing Excellence in Education, facilitated the discussion on the Commission's strategic plan and policy manual to determine what updates might be necessary to align both documents with California's current policy context and conditions.

Jane Robb, California Teachers Association, suggested induction be surfaced as a priority in supporting teacher quality.

Danette Brown, California Teachers Association, suggested the Commission include fiscal impact information in the agenda items and provide training in the rulemaking process to help stakeholders participate in Commission meetings.

David Simmons, California County Superintendents Educational Services Association, agreed with Ms. Brown's comment.

Doug Gephart, Association of California School Administrators, raised concerns regarding teacher recruitment and retention, specifically in special education and suggested the Commission work

with other interest groups on incentive programs for this group of educators. He also raised concerns about program quality and accountability.

Ken Burt, California Teachers Association, provided a copy of Education Code sections in related to the establishment of the Commission and its powers and duties.

General Session

Chair Linda Darling-Hammond convened the October 9-10, 2014 General Session of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing at 1:00 p.m. Roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chair Darling-Hammond appointed Commissioner Juliet Tiffany-Morales to chair the Credentialing and Certificated Assignments Committee for the remainder of the year.

Chair Darling-Hammond welcomed Kathryn Browne as an Ex-Officio Member of the Commission representing the California Community College System and Edgar Orejel as the Educator Preparation Student Liaison to the Commission.

2A: Approval of the August 2014 Minutes

Commissioner Cooney moved approval of the August 2014 Minutes. Commissioner Blackburn seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

2B: Approval of the October 2014 Agenda

Commissioner Barnes moved approval of the October 2014 Agenda with agenda inserts 1A, 2H and 3E. Commissioner H. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

2C: Approval of the October 2014 Consent Calendar

Commissioner Blackburn moved approval of the October 2014 Consent Calendar with an amendment to withdraw items 30. John Jennings, II and 60. Cynthia Shryock to be reviewed during Closed Session. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

2D: Chair's Report

Chair Darling-Hammond discussed the Commission's strategic plan and addressed California's teacher shortage.

2E: Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Sandy reported that she attended the meeting of the Improving Learning at the Scale Policy Collaborative in Chicago and the 2014 Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation Standing Committee Meeting in Washington, DC in September.

2F: Commission Member Reports

Commissioner Hinde reported that David Cohen, co-director of Accomplished California Teachers, observed her classroom for a day in September. She also reported that she attended the September Committee of Credentials meeting.

Commissioner Martin reported that he recently attended a meeting of the Council of Academic Deans from Research Education Institutions (CADREI).

Commissioner Harris reported that she attended a meeting concerning the Teacher-Based Reform (T-BAR) Grant.

2G: Liaison Reports

Commissioner H. Rodriguez reported she attended her first meeting of the Committee on Accreditation as the Commission's Liaison.

2H: Recognizing Excellence in Teacher Preparation

Mary Sandy, Executive Director, Commission on Teacher Credentialing, and Beverly Young, Assistant Vice Chancellor, California State University System, presented this item which provided a discussion regarding recognizing excellence in teacher preparation.

Jo Birdsell, Independent California Colleges and Universities Council on Education of Teachers, submitted a written letter and raised concerns in the following areas: 1) lack of authentic inclusion in the process for the proposal, 2) confusion with various versions of accreditation standards, and 3) current review of and revisions to the accreditation process and procedures.

Ken Burt, California Teachers Association, raised concerns regarding the proposal outlined in this agenda item.

Professional Services Committee

Committee Chair Constance Blackburn convened the Professional Services Committee.

3A: Update on the Work to Strengthen and Streamline the Commission's Accreditation System

Teri Clark, Director, and Cheryl Hickey, Administrator, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provided updates on (a) activities to implement the task groups identified in the approved Work Plan; (b) work that the Committee on Accreditation has undertaken to be able to require an institution to close a program that is not meeting the Commission's standards; and (c) the 2014 pilot of the Program Completers surveys.

Rigel Massaro, Public Advocates, voiced support of the Commission's effort to strengthen California's accreditation process and the work of the Committee on Accreditation to close low performing educator preparation programs. She also supported the program completer survey process and suggested that it be made an online process.

The Commission directed staff to bring a future agenda item which includes a concept of requiring a completer to do the survey as a part of the credential recommendation process.

3B: Draft Revised Standards for the Design and Implementation of Commission-Approved Teaching Performance Assessments (TPAs)

Phyllis Jacobson, Administrator, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provided proposed draft revised standards for the design and implementation of Commission-approved TPAs.

Rigel Massaro, Public Advocates, voiced support of the proposed TPA design standards, particularly the new standards that focus on ensuring reliability and consistence in scoring and comparability between the four TPA models to ensure all the models include significant focus on the needs of English learners and students with disabilities and specifically outlining what are required, allowable, and unacceptable forms of support for candidates.

The Commission directed staff to conduct a field review and bring the draft revised standards back to the Commission for possible adoption.

3C: Waiver Request In Order to Pilot the National Praxis Performance Assessment for Teachers (PPAT) in California

Wayne Bacer, Consultant, and Phyllis Jacobson, Administrator, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provided a request from three Commission-approved teacher preparation programs for a waiver in order to pilot the nationally available PPAT during 2014-16.

Doug Gephart, Association of California School Administrators, asked staff to clarify whether or not the PPAT has been developed and stated that conditions for a waiver request should be made after the test has been developed.

Commissioner Harris moved to deny the waiver request by three institutions to pilot the PPAT during the 2014-16 academic years. Commissioner Hinde seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

Recess

Closed Session

Chair Darling-Hammond recessed the General Session to go into Closed Session at 4.00 p.m. to consider the following pending litigation: *Carroll v. Commission on Teacher Credentialing* (Sacramento Superior Court, 2012-00135527-CU-OE), adverse actions, petitions for reinstatement and requests for reconsideration in discipline cases pursuant to California Education Code sections 44245 and 44248, and Government code section 11126(e).

Friday, October 10, 2014

General Session

Chair Darling-Hammond reconvened the General Session of the Commission at 8:33 a.m. and roll call was taken.

Public Hearing

2I: Proposed Addition to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Pertaining to Annual Accreditation Fees

Chair Darling-Hammond opened the public hearing.

Philip Chen, Director, Fiscal and Business Services and Teri Clark, Director, Professional Services Division presented this item which proposed the addition of sections 80693 and 80694 to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations pertaining to annual accreditation fees, including a Supplement to the Initial Statement of Reasons originally submitted to the Office of Administrative Law.

Commissioner Cooney moved to adopt the proposed regulations pertaining to annual accreditation fees as well as the approval of the Supplement to the Initial Statement of Reasons to allow for issuance of a 15-Day Notice pursuant to Government Code section 11346.8(c). Commissioner Blackburn seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

Credentialing and Certificated Assignments Committee

Committee Chair Juliet Tiffany-Morales convened the Credentialing and Certificated Assignments Committee.

4A: Policy Issues Pertaining to the Variable Term Waiver for the Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential

Roxann Purdue, Consultant, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provided proposed criteria for the initial issuance and reissuance of a Variable Term Waiver (VTW) for the Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) Services Credential and requested that the Commission delegate authority to staff to approve or deny requests for these waivers based on the adopted criteria.

Charlotte Lopes, California Council of Academic programs in communication Sciences and Disorders, submitted a written letter which raised concerns regarding the proposed criteria for the issuance and reissuance of a VTW for the SLP Services Credential.

Jenny Teresi, San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, raised a concern regarding the supply issue and suggested the Commission bring a group together to look at the requirements to expand the supply of individuals authorized to provide SLP services.

David Simmons, California County Superintendents Educational Services Association, suggested the Commission limit the number of VTWs for the SLP Services Credential to a maximum of seven and requested a stakeholder meeting be convened to discuss the supply and demand aspect and to look at meaningful career ladders.

Commissioner Blackburn moved to adopt the proposed criteria for the initial issuance and reissuance of a Variable Term Waiver for the Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential. Commissioner R. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

Professional Services Committee

Committee Chair Constance Blackburn reconvened the Professional Services Committee.

3D: Annual Report Card on California Teacher Preparation Programs for the Academic Year 2012-2013 as Required by Title II of the Higher Education Act

Marjorie Suckow, Consultant and Cheryl Hickey, Administrator, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provided the *Annual Report Card on California Teacher Preparation Programs for the Academic Year 2012-2013*, as required by Title II of the 2008 Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, including the pass rate data for all examinations used for teacher credentialing purposes in California in addition to data for the new reporting requirements.

Commissioner H. Rodriguez moved to approve the Annual Report card on California Teacher Preparation Programs for the Academic Year 2012-2013 for transmission to the U.S. Department of Education with the clarification on the data listed in Table 3 and Figure 7 to accurately reflect the difference in the programs. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

3E: Adoption of the Passing Score Standard for the California Subject Examinations for Teachers Multiple Subjects and English Examinations

Michael Taylor, Consultant, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provided the standard setting study for the California Subject Examinations for Teachers Multiple Subjects (CSET: Multiple Subjects) and English (CSET: English) Examinations and recommended initial passing standards for each subtest based on the recommendations from the CSET: Multiple Subjects and the CSET: English Standard Setting Panels.

Chair Darling-Hammond moved to adopt the median Standard Setting Panel recommended passing scores with -1 SEM applied for each subtest as shown in Table 3 for CSET: Multiple Subjects listed on page PSC 3E Insert-1 with the condition of revisiting the passing scores with the appropriate data within the next six months. Commissioner Tiffany-Morales seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

Chair Darling-Hammond moved to adopt the median Standard Setting Panel recommended passing scores with -1 SEM applied for each subtest as shown in Table 4 for CSET: English listed on page PSC 3E Insert-2 with the condition of revisiting the passing scores data within a year. Commissioner Hinde seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

3F: Recommended Passing Score Standard for the Use of the edTPA in California

Chair Darling-Hammond recused herself from this item.

Michael Taylor, Consultant, Professional Services Division, presented this item which provides further information for the Commission's consideration in establishing a passing score standard for the use of the edTPA with California candidates.

Andrea Whittaker, Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning, and Equity, assisted staff in presenting this item.

Commissioner Harris moved to approve the staff recommendation to apply one half of the calculated standard error of measurement (SEM) and approve the passing standard of 41 for edTPA with no conditions. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

Commissioner Zumot moved to approve reevaluating the passing standard after two years of implementation. Commissioner Hinde seconded the motion. The motion carried without dissent.

Professional Practices Committee

Committee Chair Michael Cooney convened the Professional Practices Committee.

5A: Division of Professional Practices Workload Report

Nanette Rufo, Director, Division of Professional Practices, presented this item which provided a report on the Division of Professional Practices' current workload.

Legislative Committee

Committee Chair Kathleen Harris convened the Legislative Committee.

6A: Status of Legislation

Anne Padilla and Erin Sullivan, Consultants, Office of Governmental Relations, presented this item which provided updates on the status of bills on which the Commission has taken a position and those of interest to the Commission.

Reconvene General Session

Vice Chair Harris reconvened the General Session.

2J: Report of Ad Hoc Committee

Vice Chair Harris moved to accept the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee for appointment of Mario Moya to serve as the elementary teacher member of the Committee of Credentials and Mandy Redfern and Heidi Chipman for appointment as alternates. The motion carried without dissent.

2K: Report of Closed Session Items

Vice Chair Harris reported Susan Slager and Kristin Daily from the Attorney General's Office briefed the Commission on the case of *Kathleen Carroll v. CTC* and no reportable action was taken.

The Commission denied Juan Gonzalez III's Petition for Reinstatement.

The Commission granted Andrew Hill's Petition for Reinstatement.

The Commission adopted the Proposed Decision in the matter of Sean Ramsey.

The Commission granted Steven Doherty's request for reconsideration and sustained its prior decision.

The Commission discussed the matter of John Jennings, II and accepted the recommendation of the Committee of Credentials.

The Commission discussed the matter of Cynthia Shryock and remanded the matter back to Committee of Credentials.

2L: New Business

The Bimonthly Agenda was presented.

Executive Director Mary Sandy announced that the elections for the Chair and Vice Chair of the Commission for 2015 would take place at the December Commission meeting.

Audience Presentations

Chris Miller, representing himself, expressed his appreciation for the Commission's work.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Harris adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.