



**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
April 22, 2020
Office of the State Board of Education**

A special meeting of the Idaho State Board of Education was held via teleconference on Wednesday, April 22, 2020. At this time, the Office of the State Board of Education is closed to the public in accordance with Governor Little's Stay at Home Order issued March 25, 2020 in response to the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Board President Debbie Critchfield presided and called the meeting to order at 3:00pm (MST). A roll call of members was taken.

Present

Debbie Critchfield, President
Dr. David Hill, Vice President
Andrew Scoggin, Secretary
Emma Atchley

Dr. Linda Clark
Shawn Keough
Kurt Liebich
Sherri Ybarra, State Superintendent

Wednesday, April 22, 2020, 3:00 p.m. (MST)

BOARDWORK

1. Statement from the Board President

This item was provided in the agenda materials as an information item.

Board President Critchfield discussed that there were technical difficulties with the live stream during the Special Board Meeting on April 20, 2020, which prevented members of the public from listening to the meeting in real-time. The meeting was recording and the recording was uploaded to the Board's Facebook page following the adjournment of the meeting, and the recording is still available for those who wish to listen to the meeting in its entirety.

Board President Critchfield stated that should the Board experience technical difficulties during a future meeting, the meeting will be postponed until a solution can be identified.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

2. Planning, Policy and Governmental Affairs - Board Policy – IV.E. Career Technical Education – Educator Endorsements – First Reading

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Hill/Scoggin): I move to approve the first reading of Board Policy IV.E. Division of Career Technical Education as provided in Attachment 1. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 8-0.

Tracie Bent, Chief Planning and Policy Officer, reiterated that this item is a request to amend CTE's Occupational Specialist endorsement list. Board Policy IV.E. was amended last year to add amend the Occupational Specialist endorsement list, but it was identified that there would be impact for those who did not have an endorsement that aligned with a specific pathway. This amendment grandfathers in those who have these endorsements to ensure they are able to continue teaching, and provides that new endorsements will not be issued in these areas.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

3. Business Affairs and Human Resources - Board Policy II.B. – Second Reading

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Atchley/Hill): I move to approve the second reading of proposed amendments to Board Policy II.B., Appointment and Authority Procedures, as submitted in Attachment 1. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 8-0.

To summarize his presentation during the April 20, 2020 Special Board Meeting, Todd Kilburn, Chief Financial Officer, stated that the amendments to the policy will allow the Board to waive time limits that would may prevent the Chief Executive Officers of agencies and institutions to act quickly under extreme circumstances.

There were no questions or comments from the Board.

4. State Department of Education - Technology Services Transfer

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Ybarra/Keough): I move for the State Board of Education to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board and the Superintendent of Public Instruction as presented in Attachment 3. A roll call vote was taken and the motion failed 2-6, with Superintendent Ybarra and Ms. Keough voting Aye.

Superintendent Ybarra echoed her comments from the April 20, 2020 Special Board Meeting, reiterating her stance that she feels it is impractical to separate the technology services staff from the State Department of Education. She added that her constitutionally appointed role should not be a subordinate to the Executive Director of the State Board of Education, and that this will be the case if the staff are transferred. She also added that the proposed Memorandum of Understanding would transfer the budget management of the Idaho System for Education Excellence (ISEE) data

management system to the Board's jurisdiction while maintaining the supervision and job functions of these employees within the State Department of Education.

Board Member Clark re-stated her initial thoughts that the Board has never been in a position to be selective about which pieces of legislation they should or should not comply with.

There were no additional comments or questions from the Board.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was entertained.

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Clark/Keough): I move to adjourn the meeting at 3:16pm (MST).