



**MINUTES OF THE IDAHO PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION (PSC)**

JRW West Conference Room - 700 W State Street, First Floor

**THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024**

1. Welcome and Announcements

**Comission Chair Angela Gillman called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.**

Commission Members Present: Vanessa Anthony-Stevens, Stephanie Brodwater, Ryan Cantrell, Kristi Enger, Angela Gillman, Lance Harrison, Katie Horner, Stacey Jensen, Ramona Lee, Katie Mathias, Amy McBride, Jamee Nixon, Marci Nuxoll, Karen Pyron, MeLissa Rose, Lori Sanchez

Commission Members Absent: Tate Castleton, Jonelle Warnock

Gillman announced that the Legislative Update, Public School Finance agenda item on Thursday will be moved to Friday morning's agenda as part of the 2024 Legislative Session Overview.

2. Agenda Review/Approval

**M/S (Pyron/Brodwater)**

I move to approve the April 4-5, 2024, agenda as amended. Voice vote. **Motion carried.**

3. February 8, 2024, Minutes Review/Revision/Approval

**M/S (Enger/Mathias)**

I move to approve the minutes from the February 8, 2024, meeting of the Professional Standards Commission as written. Voice vote. **Motion carried.**

4. Consideration of Final Orders/Stipulation Adoptions

Deputy Attorney General Kyle Grigsby presented the following cases.

**Case # 22322 M/S (Enger/Jensen)**

In case number 22322, concerning the certificate of Cory Gaylor, I move that the Professional Standards Commission enter a final order that is effective when signed, incorporating as findings of fact the allegations in the administrative complaint, adopting any counts alleged by the Chief Certification Officer as conclusions of law, and imposing the discipline requested by the Chief Certification Officer in her Request for Relief in the Administrative Complaint, which is permanent revocation.

Roll call: Anthony-Stevens - yes, Brodwater - yes, Cantrell - yes, Castleton - absent, Enger - yes, Gillman - yes, Harrison - yes, Horner - yes, Jensen - yes, Lee - recuse, Mathias - yes, McBride - yes, Nixon - recuse, Nuxoll - yes, Pyron - yes, Rose - recuse, Sanchez - yes, Warnock - absent. **Motion Carried.**

**Case # 22325 M/S (Pyron/Brodwater)**

In case number 22325, concerning the certificate of Eric McDermott, I move that the Professional Standards Commission enter a final order that is effective when signed, incorporating as findings of fact the allegations in the administrative complaint, adopting any counts alleged by the Chief Certification Officer as conclusions of law, and imposing the discipline requested by the Chief Certification Officer in her Request for Relief in the Administrative Complaint, which is permanent revocation.

Roll call: Anthony-Stevens - yes, Brodwater - yes, Cantrell - yes, Castleton - absent, Enger - yes, Gillman - yes, Harrison - yes, Horner - recuse, Jensen - yes, Lee – recuse, Mathias - yes, McBride - recuse, Nixon - recuse, Nuxoll - yes, Pyron - yes, Rose - recuse, Sanchez - yes, Warnock - absent. **Motion Carried.**

**Case # 22241 M/S (Jensen/Nuxoll)**

In case number 22241, concerning the certificate of Ronald Stone, I move that the Professional Standards Commission enter a final order that is effective when signed, incorporating as findings of fact the allegations in the administrative complaint, adopting any counts alleged by the Chief Certification Officer as conclusions of law, and imposing the discipline requested by the Chief Certification Officer in the Request for Relief in the Administrative Complaint, which is permanent revocation.

Roll call: Anthony-Stevens - yes, Brodwater - yes, Cantrell - yes, Castleton - absent, Enger - yes, Gillman - yes, Harrison - yes, Horner - recuse, Jensen - yes, Lee - recuse, Mathias - yes, McBride - recuse, Nixon - recuse, Nuxoll - yes, Pyron - yes, Rose - recuse, Sanchez - yes, Warnock - absent. **Motion Carried.**

**Case # 22321 M/S (Brodwater/Jensen)**

In case number 22321, concerning the certificate of Donald B. Young, I move that the Professional Standards Commission enter a final order that is effective when signed, incorporating as findings of fact the allegations in the administrative complaint, adopting any counts alleged by the Chief Certification Officer as conclusions of law, and imposing the discipline requested by the Chief Certification Officer in her Request for Relief in the Administrative Complaint, which is suspension of Mr. Young’s certificates until he completes an approved ethics course, an approved boundaries course, and a classroom management course, none of which may be used for renewal purposes.

Roll call: Anthony-Stevens - yes, Brodwater - yes, Cantrell - yes, Castleton - absent, Enger - yes, Gillman - yes, Harrison - yes, Horner - recuse, Jensen - yes, Lee - recuse, Mathias - yes, McBride - recuse, Nixon – recuse, Nuxoll - yes, Pyron - yes, Rose - Recuse, Sanchez - yes, Warnock - absent. **Motion Carried.**

5. 2024-2025 Meeting Dates

Helen Henderson, PSC Coordinator, provided an overview of the meeting date survey results.

**M/S (Pyron/Sanchez)**

I move to approve the following dates for Professional Standards Commission meetings:

September 19-20, 2024; December 5-6, 2024, a virtual meeting; February 6-7, 2025, a virtual meeting; April 10-11, 2025; and June 12-13, 2025.

Voice Vote. **Motion Carried.**

6. Committee Work

Commission Chair Angela Gillman resolved the full Commission into committee work at 9:39 a.m.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2024**

**Commission Chair Angela Gillman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.**

Commission Members Present: Vanessa Anthony-Stevens, Stephanie Brodwater, Ryan Cantrell, Kristi Enger, Angela Gillman, Lance Harrison, Katie Horner, Stacey Jensen, Ramona Lee, Katie Mathias, Amy McBride, Jamee Nixon, Marci Nuxoll, Karen Pyron, MeLissa Rose, Lori Sanchez, Jonelle Warnock

Commission Members Absent: Tate Castleton

1. 2024 Legislative Session Overview (APPENDIX A)

Greg Wilson, Department of Education Chief of Staff, and Gideon Tolman, Chief Financial Officer, provided a brief legislative overview of the 2024 legislative session and its financial implications. A more in-depth overview of the session will occur in the coming weeks during the Department's Post Legislative Tour across the state.

2. Administrative Report (APPENDIX B)

Cina Lackey, Professional Standards Commission Administrator, provided a report.

3. Board Office Report, Katie Shoup (APPENDIX C)

Katie Shoup, Educator Effectiveness Program Manager at the Office of the State Board, provided a report.

Educator Preparation Program and Review Process Update: A working group has developed a new program approval process and a provider review process. A new provider approval process will be developed with the work group soon. If you have interest in being a reviewer, please reach out.

Mentoring and Professional Development Software Platform Update: The SBOE has authorized the purchase of a \$1.6 million mentoring and PD platform, which is currently funded through December 2025. Cina Lackey was instrumental in the development of the idea, and the department's content and curriculum team is tang on a huge lift to create content and to put mentors on platform. The platform will be available to all educators in the state. The platform will be piloted soon with music education resources.

Registered Teacher Apprenticeship Program Update: The Registered Teacher Apprenticeship Program was approved by the SBOE last December and approved by the U.S. Department of Labor last February. The Office of the State Board is working on the implementation process, supporting local education agencies, and applying for access to federal funding through Department of Labor grants. New staff member Sara Lasuen is the Department of Labor's Apprenticeship Coordinator for Education Systems, who will be housed at OSBE and help with apprenticeship programs and other projects with the Division of Career Technical Education.

Rural and Underserved Educator Incentive Program Update: Cohort 3 applications are currently open through September. The program will support one more cohort, Cohort 4, unless additional funds are appropriated to support additional cohorts. The program has 250 available awards, payable over 4 years for a total of up to \$12,000 per individual. Eligibility requirements are listed on the SBOE website.

Stacey Jensen asked if K-12 teachers can join provider review teams. Shoup replied that K-12 teachers will be included on review teams. Lori Sanchez added that the educator preparation program providers requested that K-12 educators be included on teams.

4. Committee Reports

a. Operations Committee Report (APPENDIX D)

Ramona Lee, Commission Vice Chair, provided the Operations Committee Report.

b. Executive Committee Report (APPENDIX E)

Angela Gillman, Commission Chair, provided the Executive Committee Report.

c. Recommendations Committee Report (APPENDIX F)

Karen Pyron, Committee Chair, provided the Recommendations Committee Report.

Angela Gillman asked whether Breach of Contract is addressed in ProEthica. Cina Lackey responded that breach of contract is not addressed in ProEthica, as not every state includes breach of contract in their code of ethics. ProEthica focuses on ethical decision-making. Additional state-specific training can be developed to address the code of ethics.

#### 5. Member Reports

Vanessa Anthony-Stevens provide a report from the Office of Indian Education. The Idaho Indian Education Summit is occurring August 1-2 at Boise State University; the focus will be reflection upon the 1924 American Indian Citizenship Act. Breakout sessions on initial educator certification standard 11, regarding Indian education, are requested. Anyone interested in providing a breakout session can reach out to Anthony-Stevens or to Johanna Jones at the Department of Education.

Karen Pyron provided a report from the Idaho School Boards Association (ISBA). The focus of the ISBA over the last few months has been legislation. So much work goes on behind the scenes between K-12 stakeholder groups at this time of year, and these groups work very well together and are respected within the legislative ranks.

Lance Harrison provided a report from the Idaho School Superintendents' Association (ISSA). The ISSA appreciates the cooperation between K-12 stakeholder groups, the Department, and the office of the Board, to forward legislation to benefit Idaho Students.

Angela Gillman provided a report from the Idaho Education Association (IEA) Next week is IEA's Delegate Assembly, where members vote on the focus of the IEA for the upcoming year. The IEA's annual Summer Institute is occurring, as well. Free professional development (PD) credit is available through Idaho State University's Albion Center for any members attending the Delegate Assembly, the Summer Institute or other PD offered through the IEA. Jonelle Warnock added that mental health and wellness is a training focus, and a keynote speaker at Delegate Assembly is an educator whose focus is how to make sure our teachers are well.

Stacey Jensen reported The Reading League has officially opened an Idaho Chapter. The focus is on dyslexia legislation and professional development and trainings. An upcoming training takes a deep dive into the Idaho Dyslexia Handbook; the training is free and online. Jensen is a Region 5 board member and is available to answer questions. Jonelle Warnock added that the Reading League Idaho also has a Facebook group.

#### 6. Adjourn

**M/S (Brodwater/Harrison)**

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.