

Missouri Advisory Council of Certification for Educators (MACCE)

Monday, November 17, 2014

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: April Adams, Tresina Alvested, Ron Banfield, Linda Bradley, Jasmine Briedwell, Katelyn Coady, Jennifer Granda, Linda Kaiser, Georganna Krumlind, Nathaniel Laffoon, Diane Livingston, Pam Lowe, Joe Ann Mack, Larry Reiter, Kathy Steinhoff, David Tramel, Kim Turner, and Paula York

Guests Present: Tammy Allee, Brent Fullington, Hap Hairston, David Hough, Ann Jarrett, Mary Karlin, Paul Katnik, Kimberly Miller, Margery Tanner, and Cindy Whitaker

1. Welcome & Celebrations – Georganna Krumlind
 - a. Introductions-For the benefit of new members and guests, each member introduced himself/herself.
 - b. Georganna Krumlind called for any celebration items. Linda Bradley reported that two of her student teachers have jobs waiting for them in January.
2. Approval of Minutes from September 8, 2014–Georganna Krumlind
 - a. Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed.
 - b. Georganna Krumlind called for a motion to approve the minutes. Larry Reiter so moved and it was seconded by Jennifer Granda. All were in favor and the motion carried.
3. New Members-Georganna Krumlind
 - a. New members to MACCE introduced themselves and were welcomed to the board.
 - b. New members in attendance were as follows:
 - i. April Adams
 - ii. Katelyn Coady
 - iii. Kim Turner
4. Office of Educator Quality Updates-Paul Katnik
 - a. Office of Educator Quality (OEQ) will be presenting a recommendation for the qualifying scores for the Missouri Content Assessments to the State Board of Education (SBE) on December 4, 2014. MACCE now needs to review the data and provide comments and suggestions to OEQ regarding this recommendation.
 - b. Student growth training began this month; so far 22% of all Missouri's Local Education Agencies (LEA)'s have been trained.
 - c. Search for the new Commissioner: Submission of applications for the Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will close on November 21, 2014.

5. Missouri Content Assessments-Hap Hairston & Marty

Karlin <http://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/Nov2014-Powerpoint-GH.pdf>

- a. Marty Karlin of Pearson Education demonstrated how to navigate the Pearson website.
- b. Marty Karlin gave a detailed presentation on the Missouri Content Assessments. The presentation was to provide MACCE an overview of how the assessments were developed; as well as how the panel-based cut scores (PBC) were determined.
- c. The information presented to MACCE provided the data and details needed to assist MACCE in making an informed suggestion to the SBE regarding the qualifying cut scores of the Missouri Content Assessments.
- d. The Missouri Content Assessments are used to assess content knowledge required for effective teaching.
- e. There are 56 certification assessments.
- f. Handouts of the preliminary analyses were given out to MACCE members. Since the information in the handout was confidential and subject to change, members were asked to return the handout after review.
- g. Discussion was held among members and clarifying questions asked.
- h. Larry Reiter made a motion to set the scores for all assessments at two (2) standard deviations below PBC; David Tramel seconded the motion.
- i. A friendly amendment to the motion was made by Diane Livingston to recommend the Building-Level Administrator and Superintendent assessments remain at the PBC. Joe Ann Mack seconded the amendment to the motion.
- j. The amended motion to recommend cut scores be set at two (2) standard deviations below PBC, except for Building-Level Administrator and Superintendent was discussed.
- k. By a show of hands, the motion did not pass by a vote of 4-9.
- l. Additional discussion was held.
- m. Larry Reiter, with Georganna Krumlinde's friendly clarification, made a motion to recommend that cut scores for all assessments be set at two (2) standard deviations below PBC. Jennifer Granda seconded this motion.
- n. By a show of hands, the motion passed 11 to 3.
- o. A motion was made by Diane Livingston to revisit the cut score recommendations next August. Nathaniel Laffoon seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

6. Educator Certification Update-Margery

Tanner <http://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/Nov2014-Powerpoint-MT.pdf>

- a. Educator Certification has a staff of 12 who issue certificates, process background checks, and provided assistance and support for educators, districts, and universities.
- b. The Educator Certification online system opened in June 2011. Applications are submitted electronically to streamline the certification process.
 - i. There are over 300,000 educators and over 100,000 active users of the online certification system.
 - ii. Applications can be processed in under 24 hours, if all required documents have been received.
 - iii. 40,646 certificates were issued in FY2014.
 - iv. 136,740 certificates have been issued since the certification system opened in 2011.

7. Background Checks/Discipline Updates-Margery

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- a. FBI/Highway Patrol fingerprint background checks are required for individuals who are applying for certification or who are a new hire with a Missouri public school district.
 - i. 479,972 fingerprint results have been processed from 2001 to present.
 - ii. 39,664 results have been processed in FY2014.
 - b. Individuals required to fingerprint will register with the Missouri Automated Criminal History Site (MACHS) and provide a 4-digit registration code supplied by the hiring school district or they may use one of the 2 general codes provided by DESE.
 - c. Fall 2015 the Missouri Highway Patrol (MHP) will complete phase II of the MACHS project. This will allow school districts to monitor the fingerprint process for both their certified and non-certified staff.
 - d. DESE annually provides over 500,000 data files to the MHP to crosscheck against the criminal records database. The results of the name checks are reviewed and school districts area notified accordingly. Any discipline of an individual's certificate will be determined by the SBE.
8. Tammy Allee will send an email to all MACCE members containing a calling tree in case of inclement weather.
9. The next meeting date is scheduled for February 2, 2015.
10. Meeting adjourned.