Item 4:

Request to Approve July 20, 2023 Work Session Minutes

ACTION

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the July 20, 2023 Work Session minutes.

STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION WORK SESSION AGENDA

July 20, 2023 AT 8:30 AM 1701 N. Congress Ave. Room 1-104

The Board will meet in open session and after determining the presence of a quorum, discuss the following agenda items:

1. Call to Order

The State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) convened its meeting at 8:30 AM on Thursday, July 20, 2023.

Present: Dr. Robert Brescia, Dr. Veronica Galvan, Mr. Rex Gore, Ms. Courtney MacDonald, Dr. Scott Muri, Dr. Michael McFarland, Dr. Emma Gelsinger, Ms. Kelvey Oeser, Dr. Alma Rodriguez, Ms. Jean Streepey, and Mr. Tommy Coleman.

Absent: Ms. Bena Glasscock, Ms. Cristina Galindo, Ms. Julia Dvorak, Dr. Michael McFarland, and Mr. Josue Tamarez Torres.

2. Welcome and Overview

Chair Jean Streepey welcomed the Board, panel members, and TEA staff and shared the purpose for the meeting. Ms. McLoughlin provided an overview of the session goals. Video testimonials shared from Baohan Phi – University of Houston; Aracely Valdes – Texas Tech University and Kailey Tate – University of Texas Permian Basin. Ms. Yoder shared an overview of the quality components of a teacher residency pathway including updates and considerations for the proposed residency route.

The SBEC recessed at 9:41 AM.

The SBEC reconvened at 9:55 AM.

3. Discussion of Teacher Residency Preparation and Stakeholder Panel

Ms. Yoder introduced and facilitated a panel and framed the purpose and charge of the panel. Members of the panel include: Sarah DeLano (Dallas College) and Dr. Christopher Goodson (Richardson Independent School); Dr. Stacey Edmondson, Dr. Dustin Herbert, and Dr. Abbie Strunc (Sam Houston State University) District and Marlene Garcia (Klein Independent School District); Dr. Joshua Jones, Dr. Christy Reed (Tarleton State University) and Superintendent Wes Corzine (Huckabay independent School District); Dr. Clifton Tanabe (university of Texas El Paso) and Jina Eksaengsri (Socorro Independent School District).

Panelist shared their experience with the Teacher Residencies and discussed the benefits, challenges, and successes of building and implementing a high-quality teacher residency.

Discussion with the SBEC board members ask questions to panelist about their experience and there was conversation around implementation of secondary residencies, the importance of strong collaboration between EPP and LEAs, updates to the EPP programs based on the needs of the districts, and the work that has gone into transforming both EPP and Districts for successful residencies.

The SBEC recessed at 12:30 PM.

The SBEC reconvened at 1:02 PM.

4. Discussion of Continuing Approval Review Practices

Chair Jean Streepey welcomed the Board, panel members, and TEA staff back from lunch, and shared the purpose for the afternoon portion of the meeting.

Ms. McLoughlin provided an overview of the EPF 1.0, the purpose of the EPF, an overview of the afternoon work session and proposed action items.

Ms. Cook shared about the SBEC's Continuing Approval Review charge.

Ms. Ayers walked the committee through the current SBEC Continuing Approval on sight reviews process.

Ms. Love walked the committee through the Quality Review Pilot process which five participating EPPs underwent during Spring 2023.

Ms. Yoder introduced and facilitated a panel and framed the purpose and charge of the panel.

Members of the panel include: Sarah DeLano (Dallas College); Dr. Stacey Edmondson, Dr. Dustin Herbert, and Dr. Abbie Strunc (Sam Houston State University); Dr. Joshua Jones, Dr. Christy Reed (Tarleton State University); Dr. Ronald Beebe (University of Houston – Downtown).

Panelist shared their experience with the Quality Review Pilot and discussed the challenges of the timeline, but the benefits of the process and shared their next steps in response to their quality review.

Discussion with the SBEC board members ask questions to panelist about their experience and there was conversation around differentiating the processes for EPPs, clearly identify the foundational areas and aspirational areas, including both quality and compliance portions of a review and strategically thinking around the timing of reviews for programs.

- 5. Update on State Board for Educator Certification Enabling Legislation from the 88th Texas Legislature, Regular Session
- 6. Adjournment

Chair Streepey adjourned the meeting at 5:02 PM.

The Board may go into closed session regarding any item on the agenda to the extent it is authorized to do so pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. The presiding officer of the Board intends to be physically present in Room 1-104, William B. Travis Building, 1701 North Congress Avenue. Some members may attend via videoconferencing.