

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MCDONALD SUBCOMMITTEE
Administrative Rules

DATE: Monday, January 19, 2015
TIME: Upon Adjournment of the Full Committee
PLACE: Room EW41
MEMBERS: Chairman McDonald, Representatives Wills, Gestrin, Dixon, Kerby, Pence, Rubel
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained with the minutes in the committee secretary's office until the end of the session. Following the end of the session, the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

Subcommittee Chairman McDonald called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

**DOCKET NO.
08-0202-1404:** **Lisa Colon**, Coordinator, Education Effectiveness, State Department of Education, presented **Docket No. 08-0202-1404**. She said the docket added clarification to the Rule affecting the measuring of teacher evaluation. Ms. Colon explained the measures included within the Professional Practice portion of the evaluation will be changed to the following: "In situations where certificated personnel are unavailable for two documented classroom observations, due to situations such as long-term illness, late year hire, etc., one documented classroom observation is acceptable."

MOTION: **Rep. Wills** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0202-1404. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
08-0203-1402:** **Dr. Christina Nava**, Coordinator, LEP, Title III, State Department of Education presented **Docket No. 08-0203-1402**. She explained that the portion changed in the Rule related to Limited English Proficiency. The words "in the low range" were stricken, leaving the subsection to read: "individuals who do not score proficient".

MOTION: **Rep. Pence** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1402. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
08-0203-1403:** **Dr. Christina Nava** presented **Docket No. 08-0203-1403**. She said the language had been changed affecting the ISAT in Math and Science.

Tracie Bent, Chief Planning and Policy Officer, State Board of Education, was called upon to answer questions from the Committee. She said as the State of Idaho makes the change to the new tests for the Common Core Standards in Math and Science, in the interim, it is necessary to require the ISAT tests for Math and Science. She explained the present language becomes archaic to the new language that the state will be adopting. She also said the ISAT will continue to be given in third, fifth and seventh grades.

MOTION: **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1403. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
08-0203-1404:** **Rhonda Heggen**, Coordinator, Physical Education, State Department of Education, presented **Docket No. 08-0203-1404**. She explained that when the State Department of Education did the redesign of the high school curriculum requirements, physical education at the high school level was not included. Thus, **Subsection 03 of Docket No. 08-0203-1404** defines the requirements.

Responding to a question from the committee, **Ms. Heggen** said 80% of school districts in Idaho require physical education, but it is considered an elective at the state level.

MOTION: **Rep. Gestrin** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1404. Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO 55-0104-1401: **Tracie Bent**, State Board of Education presented **Docket No. 55-0104-1401**. She explained the Rule was a new chapter of Administrative Rule..

In response to questions from the committee, **Ms. Bent** said the objective of the new chapter is to give Administrative Rules to the law passed during the 2014 Legislative Session which created the Idaho Quality Program Standards Incentive Grants and Agricultural Education Program Start-Up Grants. She indicated the number of recipients will vary by year in accordance with the availability of funds. The Incentive Grant awards will be in the amount of \$10,000 per applicant. She also described the conditions of the Start-Up Grant explaining that a school district is now able to apply for \$25,000, one time monies, to fund an agricultural and natural resources programs if the district is a winner of said grant. In response to a question regarding sources of funding, Ms. Bent explained that there are two potential sources. One is the general fund and the second is donations from industry. For FY15 there was no general fund appropriation. The Division of Professional Technical Education has requested \$325,000 in their FY16 budget request. To date they have received no donations from industry for the grants.

MOTION: **Rep. Wills** made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 55-0104-1401. Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the subcommittee, the meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Representative McDonald
Chair

Jean Vance
Secretary