

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION COMMISSION ON SCHOOL FUNDING

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order, Roll Call**
- 2. Public Comment #1**

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. A time limit of three minutes will be imposed by the Commission Chair in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment with an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the Commission. Public comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Commission's jurisdiction, control, or advisory power.
- 3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes (For Possible Action)**
 - October 8, 2021
- 4. Nevada Department of Education Update (Information and Discussion)**

The Commission on School Funding will receive an update on the progress made by the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) since the last meeting, as well as responses to recent requests from the Commission for information and clarification.

 - Heidi Haartz, Deputy Superintendent for Student Investment, Nevada Department of Education (NDE)
- 5. Presentation and discussion of the methodology for budgeting for transportation and food services through the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan (Information, Discussion, and Possible Action)**

The Commission will receive additional information regarding options for budgeting for transportation and food services through the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan (PCFP) in future biennia. This discussion is a continuation of the agenda items from the September and October meetings, which have been considered in response to a request from the Nevada Legislature for the Commission to discuss other options or recommendations regarding the methodology for allocating funding in future biennia.

 - James Kirkpatrick, State Education Funding Manager, Student Investment Division, NDE

6. Presentation on the Nevada Cost of Education Index, including updates made during the 2021 Legislative Session and input from subject matter experts regarding the validity of this cost adjustment methodology (*Information, Discussion, and Possible Action*)

The Commission will receive a presentation regarding updates to the Nevada Cost of Education Index made during the 2021 Legislative Session as well as a summary of the input provided to NDE regarding this cost adjustment methodology. Additionally, the Commission will discuss strategies and timelines for eliminating the floor of 1.0 for the index, as requested in the Letter of Intent issued by the Nevada Legislature following the 2021 Legislative Session.

- Heidi Haartz, Deputy Superintendent for Student Investment, NDE

7. Presentation on the Reporting and Monitoring Work Group (*Information, Discussion, and Possible Action*)

The Commission will review and discuss the recommendations from the Reporting and Monitoring Work Group and next steps for the Commission to ensure transparent reporting related to the PCFP and monitoring the implementation of the PCFP.

- Jim McIntosh, Vice Chair, Commission on School Funding

8. Discussion regarding Optimal Funding (*Information, Discussion, and Possible Action*)

The Commission will continue to review and discuss the funding recommendations previously outlined in the report prepared and delivered by the Commission. The review will include a summary of identified funding targets, potential revenue sources, and alternative funding scenarios. The Commission may provide direction regarding the information contained in the report and identify subjects for further examination.

- Guy Hobbs, Chair, Commission on School Funding

9. Information and Discussion regarding messaging around Optimal Funding (*Information, Discussion, and Possible Action*)

The Commission will discuss communication strategies regarding recommendations for Optimal Funding to support the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan.

- Guy Hobbs, Chair, Commission on School Funding

10. Discussion regarding external subject matter expert support (*Information and Discussion*)

The Commission will identify areas of their statutory responsibilities for which they may require additional support from external subject matter experts and may identify potential funding sources for such support.

- Guy Hobbs, Chair, Commission on School Funding

11. Future Agenda Items (*Information and Discussion*)

12. Public Comment #2

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13. Adjournment