ENGLISH MASTERY COUNCIL

District Policy & Criteria Planning Subcommittee Meeting AGENDA

AMENDED

Wednesday, February 26, 2020 9:00 A.M.

Meeting Locations:

Video Conference

OFFICE	LOCATION	ROOM
Department of Education	2080 E Flamingo Rd, Suite 210	Bighorn Conference Room
	Las Vegas, NV	
Department of Education	700 East Fifth Street	Battle Born Conference Room
	Carson City, NV	

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1. Call to Order; Roll Call; Pledge of Allegiance

Blakely Hume, Education Programs Professional, Nevada Department of Education

2. Public Comments #1

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3. Approval of Flexible Agenda

(For Possible Action)

Blakely Hume, Education Programs Professional, Nevada Department of Education

4. Approval of April 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

Blakely Hume, Education Programs Professional, Nevada Department of Education

5. Election of Subcommittee Chair 2019-20

(Information / Discussion / For Possible Action)

Blakely Hume, Education Programs Professional, Nevada Department of Education

6. Spring 2019 District Policy Recommendations

(Information / Discussion/For Possible Action)

An initial discussion to revisit the district policy reviews and subsequent recommendations from spring 2019. The discussion could address but is not limited to such topics as: providing next steps in terms of current district policy recommendations and determine whether the recommendations should move forward to the full EMC for follow-up review and from the EMC to the State Board of Education.

District Policy & Criteria Planning Subcommittee Chair

7. 2019-20 District Policy Review Discussion

(Information / Discussion/For Possible Action)

The subcommittee will have a discussion regarding changes in NRS 388.407 (section 3) relating to district English learner plans. There will also be a discussion regarding the process for the 2019-20 district policy reviews. The discussion could address but is not limited to such topics as: providing next steps in terms the reviews of the current district polices or assigned district policy review tasks.

District Policy & Criteria Planning Subcommittee Chair

8. Discussion & Next Steps Regarding Lowest-performing Students

(Information / Discussion / For Possible Action)

The subcommittee will discuss potential avenues for research, inquiry or support with regarding the new EMC responsibility to make recommendations to the State Board of Education regarding students in the lowest 25% of academic achievement in English Language Arts. While the lowest performing students of Nevada is the direct purview of the Academic Achievement and English Proficiency (AA&EP) subcommittee, there may be some overlap regarding how district EL policies relate to the lowest 25% of student in reading proficiency. The discussion could lead to recommendations on how the District Policy and Criteria Planning Subcommittee might engage with the AA&EP subcommittee.

District Policy & Criteria Planning Subcommittee Chair

9. Public Comments #2

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10. Adjournment

District Policy & Criteria Planning Subcommittee Chair