

**NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
**COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**  
**Wednesday, February 18, 2026**  
**9:00 A.M.**

Office	Address	City	Meeting Room
Department of Education	2080 E. Flamingo Rd.	Las Vegas	Suite 114
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**AGENDA**

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

**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. The President of the Commission on Professional Standards in Education will impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Commission’s jurisdiction, control, or advisory power.*

**3. President’s Report**

- Amy Rozar, President

**4. Secretary’s Report**

- Jeff Briske, Secretary

**5. Approval of Minutes (Information/Discussion/For possible action)**

- January 15, 2026

6. **Presentation from University of Nevada, Las Vegas (*Information/Discussion*)**. The Commission will hear a presentation from University of Nevada, Las Vegas regarding how competency-based learning is incorporated into their educator preparation programs.

- Dr. Kenny Varner, Associate Dean, College of Education, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Dr. Sarah Vach, Director of Strategic Analytics and Assessment, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

7. **Course of Study Approval for the Science of Reading SB460 Sections 39 and 56.2 (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*)**. The Commission will hear a presentation for a microcredential course of study approval designed by the Department to satisfy the components of SB460 Sections 39 and 56.2. The Commission may approve or not approve this course of study.

- Carrie Boehlecke, Education Programs Professional, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement (EDLiFE)
- Heather Crabtree, Management Analyst, EDLiFE

9:00 A.M.

8. **Public Hearing R038-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.146 – “Exception” defined, NAC 391.148 – Applicability of provisions, NAC 391.150 – Submission of lists: List of teachers and teaching assignments; list of teachers teaching outside area of endorsement, NAC 391.152 – Request for exception: Submission; form and contents; objection, NAC 391.154 Request for exception: Action by Superintendent of Public Instruction, NAC 391.156 – Period of exception; extension of period, and NAC 391.158 – Limitation on teaching of courses related to area of endorsement (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*)**. The Commission will consider a regulation relating to educational personnel; removing certain duplicative reporting requirements of school districts; repealing regulations related to requests for exceptions for teachers teaching outside their area of endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will repeal these regulations as they are duplicative of NRS 385A.220-230 and no longer needed. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.

- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:01 A.M

9. **Public Hearing R040-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.367 – Qualifications for teaching adapted physical education to pupils who have disabilities (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*)**. The Commission will consider a regulation relating to educational personnel; revising the educational requirements for a person to receive an endorsement to teach adapted physical education to pupils with disabilities in certain settings; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will create another pathway for a candidate from out of state to obtain an Adaptive PE license. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.

- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:02 A.M.

- 10. Public Hearing R067-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.060 – Expiration of licenses and endorsements and NAC 391.073 – Renewal of license: Requirements for persons who are retired and hold a valid license issued by Superintendent of Public Instruction; fee; term of validity; delay of expiration date by Superintendent; endorsement; renewal (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider a regulation relating to educational personnel; revising provisions relating to the qualifications for and the expiration of certain licenses issued by the Department of Education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will align all licenses to 3, 5, and 6 years as well as allow all educators licensed in chapter 391 to obtain a retiree license. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:03 A.M.

- 11. Public Hearing R068-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.063 – Voluntary surrender and reinstatement of license or endorsement (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider a regulation relating to educational personnel; revising requirements for the voluntary surrender of an endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will allow an educator to request removal of an endorsement from their license without a notary. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:04 A.M.

- 12. Public Hearing R098-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.036 – Tests of competency required for initial license; exemptions; failure to comply (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider a regulation relating to education; revising provisions exempting certain applicants for licensure as a teacher or other educational personnel from the requirement to pass a competency test in basic reading, writing and mathematics; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will allow a candidate to take certain approved coursework in lieu of the Praxis Core Basic Examinations. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:05 A.M.

- 13. Public Hearing R100-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments NAC Chapter 391.057 – Provisional licensure: Qualifications; authorized employment; term of validity; automatic invalidity; reinstatement (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider a regulation relating to educational personnel; requiring qualified providers of a program for an alternative route to licensure to accept certain holders of an alternative provisional license who have been reassigned to a new teaching position into the program for the endorsement area required for the new position; requiring such holders to apply for a new alternative provisional license; providing for the issuance of a new alternative provisional license under such circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will allow for an additional pathway for educators to change endorsement areas. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:06 A.M.

- 14. Public Hearing R102-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments NAC Chapter 391.277 – Endorsement to teach occupational therapy, NAC 391.279 – Endorsement to teach physical therapy, and NAC 391.XXX (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider a regulation relating to educational personnel; revising certain qualifications to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as an occupational therapist and occupational therapy assistant; revising certain qualifications to receive an endorsement to provide services to pupils as a physical therapist and physical therapist assistant; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. This regulation will ensure minimum degree requirements and require persons to hold an endorsement to provide occupational and physical therapy services. The Commission may adopt or not adopt this regulation.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:07 A.M.

- 15. Public Workshop R013-26 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.XXX – Science of Reading Course (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider draft regulation language to address the Science of Reading course of study requirements for initial preparation programs and licensure renewal per Senate Bill 460 Sec. 39 and 41.5. The Commission may approve or not approve moving this item to a Public Hearing.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:08 A.M.

- 16. Public Workshop R014-26 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.136 – Endorsement in mathematics and science: Conditions for substitution of course work (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider repealing this regulation as the provisions for adding by exam are already included in regulation R119-22. The Commission may approve or not approve moving this item to a Public Hearing.

9:09 A.M.

- 17. Public Workshop R015-26 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391, Regulation 011-24 – Interim Route to Certification, Special Education Endorsements (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider amending R011-24 to remove the 2-year requirement and 2 effective evaluations in section 1, paragraph 7 to convert an IRC indorsement to an initial endorsement as the endorsement holders may complete their coursework in less than 2 years. The Commission may approve or not approve moving this item to a Public Hearing.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:10 A.M.

- 18. Public Workshop R039-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.XXX – Endorsement name changes or removal and pathway to transition to another endorsement (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*).** The Commission will consider a regulation to allow the Superintendent of Public Instruction to update by name or remove an endorsement and provide a pathway to transition to another endorsement when an endorsement no longer exists. The Commission may approve or not approve moving this item to a Public Hearing.
- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

9:11 A.M.

**19. Public Workshop R115-25 to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 391.391 – Endorsement to teach pupils in program of orientation and mobility**

*(Information/Discussion/For possible action)*. The Commission will consider a regulation to ensure a person must hold an endorsement to teach pupils in a program of orientation and mobility and to ensure a person must hold an endorsement to teach pupils in a program of alternative education. Transitory language for providers already employed will be provided. The Commission may approve or not approve moving this item to a Public Hearing.

- Jeff Briske, Director, EDLiFE

**20. Future Agenda Items**

- Workshops and Public Hearings

**21. Public Comment #2**

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**22. Adjournment**