

**NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
 COMMISSION ON INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION
 NEXT GENERATION CAREER PATHWAYS SUBCOMMITTEE
 November 18, 2024
 12:00 PM**

Office	Address	Meeting Room
Virtual	Zoom Videoconference Link	Dial-In: 1-206-337-9723 Meeting ID: 636 935 9062

**SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE NEXT GENERATION CAREER PATHWAYS
 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Teresa Dastrup, President, Elko County School District School Board
 Dr. Mariluz Garcia, Commissioner, Washoe County
 Maite Salazar, Owner and Co-Founder, 3F Initiatives LLC
 Peter Zierhut, Vice President, Haas Automation, Inc.

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Dr. Robin Titus, Nevada State Senate
 Hannah Villatoro, Nevada Youth Legislature Representative
 Joyce Woodhouse, Commission on School Funding Member

IN ATTENDANCE:

Nadine Keinhoefer

AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 12:03PM and roll was taken.

2. Public Comment #1

There were no public comments provided.

3. Review of Agenda and Materials (*Information and Discussion*)

Subcommittee members will review consolidated policy recommendations and consider guiding questions in preparation for discussion.

- Nathan Driskell, Chief Policy Officer, National Center on Education and the Economy
- Janice Case, Regional Director, West, National Center on Education and the Economy
- Leah Moschella, Senior Designer, Leader Experiences

The meeting began with a review of the consolidated policy recommendations from the initial round of recommendations across four commission subcommittees, with a discussion on the current Nevada context and the need to build off of existing strengths and opportunities. The subcommittee members emphasized the importance of being bold in their approach, the need for a change process to ensure the system's continued evolution, and the importance of parental engagement in the education system

4. Discussion of Consolidated Policy Design (*Information and Discussion*)

Subcommittee members will discuss the design draft and consider ways to further align, and to be more future-forward and innovative.

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Consolidated Policy Recommendations Discussion

Leah Moschella led a discussion on the consolidated policy recommendations from the initial round of recommendations across four commission subcommittees. The team at NCEE, along with subcommittee members and chairs, had consolidated these recommendations to the next level. Leah Moschella encouraged the team to review the document and gather feedback on the consolidated recommendations. She also emphasized the importance of the document in transforming Nevada's education system and positioning it as a leader in world-class education. Leah Moschella then shared her screen to walk through the document and highlight major points.

Integrating Subgroup Recommendations for Impact

Consolidated recommendations were reviewed. Nathan Driskell explained that while each recommendation corresponds to one of the subcommittees, they tried to understand how each action adds up to a system-level impact. He highlighted four big recommendations: a dashboard, a shift towards personalized competency-based learning, investment in the future of the teaching profession, and work on strengthening next generation career pathways. Nathan Driskell emphasized the interconnectedness of these recommendations and their implications for various aspects of education.

Future System Maintenance and Evolution

There was a question from the subcommittee on the future of the system and the role of the commission in its maintenance and evolution. Nathan Driskell discussed the importance of responding to current challenges and anticipating future needs, emphasizing that the commission's role is not just to tackle immediate issues but also to innovate and anticipate the future. The group also discussed the need for a change process to evolve and learn from what's working and what isn't. The subcommittee suggested that the Nevada Department of Education should assemble a group similar to the current commission to periodically assess the system's health. The group agreed that the Department should be responsible for convening such a group, with the commission providing diverse perspectives.

Embracing Change and Seeking Consensus

Subcommittee members emphasized the need for the commission to be brave enough to eliminate or evolve recommendations that aren't working, rather than just making small changes. The NCEE team then discussed the process of collecting written feedback and the importance of reaching consensus. Emphasis was placed on the need for full support from the commissioners and the importance of the feedback form in achieving this. It was confirmed that the document is public and feedback from any constituents is encouraged.

Career Pathways and Parental Engagement

The meeting also focused on the need for more boots on the ground in career pathways and the importance of parental engagement in the education system. It was suggested revising the document to include reduced school day and school year models, emphasizing the need for personalized learning. Nathan Driskell agreed to consider this feedback and rework the language. The importance of parental engagement was noted, suggesting it was a critical component missing from the document. Janice Case agreed that family engagement was a common theme and suggested it could be a future focus.

Funding Concerns and Committee Strategies

Concerns about the feasibility of the recommendations given the lack of clear funding sources were raised by subcommittee members. The NCEE team assured that the funding commission, which includes Commissioners Woodhouse and Johnson, is aware of the potential issues and is strategizing for future conversations. Leah

Moschella also mentioned that the commission will continue to discuss funding once the document is finalized. Subcommittee members expressed concerns about the lack of a clear budget for some of the recommendations.

5. Next Steps (*Information and Discussion*)

All subcommittee members to fill out the individual feedback form on the consolidated policy recommendations document this week.

Subcommittee Chair Garcia to consult with CTE subject matter experts and local educators in Washoe County for feedback on the consolidated policy recommendations.

The NCEE team to consider and revise language around:

- extended/reduced school day and year models based on Commissioner Dastrup's feedback.
- adding more emphasis on parental engagement throughout the document
- Mapping out potential funding mechanisms and timelines for implementing recommendations once broad agreement is reached.

6. Public Comment #2

There were no public comments provided.

7. Adjournment

Subcommittee Chair Garcia adjourned the meeting at 12:53PM.