

**NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
ENGLISH MASTERY COUNCIL
Thursday, March 3, 2022
8:00 AM**

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- *Lorna James-Cervantes, Chair, English Mastery Council*

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 Chair of the English Mastery Council will impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the English Mastery Council's jurisdiction, control, or advisory power.

3. APPROVAL OF FLEXIBLE AGENDA (Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

- *Lorna James-Cervantes, Chair, English Mastery Council*

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 11/4/21 ENGLISH MASTERY COUNCIL MEETING (Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

- *Lorna James-Cervantes, English Mastery Council Chair*

5. EDLiFE PRESENTATION (Information/Discussion)

A presentation will be provided by the EDLiFE on the topic of licensure and the bilingual endorsement. Based on the request from the last EMC meeting to better understand this endorsement, a presentation will be held followed by a discussion on alignment between coursework offered and licensing requirements and how this serves ELs.

- *EPP from Educator Development, Licensure, and Family Engagement, Nevada Department of Education*

6. NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATE (Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

The Nevada Department of Education (NDE) will share the most recent updates pertaining to English learner initiatives. A conversation may be had surrounding current updates on the English Mastery Council on the scheduling of meetings, budget and workflow procedures. Other possible items could include a brief discussion on the EMC annual report, any updates on the EP&AA process and procedures report, and draft recommendations in response to the US Department of Education Title III monitoring report.

- *Karl Wilson, Education Programs Supervisor, Nevada Department of Education*
- *Blakely Hume, Education Programs Professional, Nevada Department of Education*

7. ZOOM WORK GROUP BREAKOUT DISCUSSION (Information/Discussion)

During this period the EMC will separate various members into Zoom breakout sessions. There will be individual discussions in groups regarding work, progress, procedures, and next steps for work on the various legislative requirements regarding TESL, District Policy and Criteria Planning, and English Proficiency and Academic Achievement. An NDE staff member will attend each group to help guide the discussion. All notes and thoughts will be reported to the full EMC in the next agenda item. After the work group breakout sessions, the full EMC council will reconvene to report out on what was discussed. Possible actions could include discussion or voting on the topics from the breakout sessions.

- *Lorna James-Cervantes, English Mastery Council Chair*

8. SHARE-OUT ON EMC WORK GROUP UPDATES (Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

Selected EMC members representing various work groups from the breakout session item will report out based on the discussion during the breakout session. Possible actions might include a discussion of the work groups or recommendations to the EMC regarding legislative charges to bring forward to the State Board of Education.

Work Groups:

- TESL
- District Policy and Criteria Planning
- English Proficiency & Academic Achievement
- *Lorna James-Cervantes, English Mastery Council Chair*

9. PRESENTATION: SCHOLARSHIP ON LANGUAGE AND MULTILINGUALISM

(Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

There will be a presentation regarding language variation, development, and acquisition, multilingualism and linguistics. Current research and scholarship will be presented by scholars in the field in a discussion format.

- *Justin Gerald, CUNY & other scholars*

10. DISCUSSION OF EP&AA RECOMMENDATIONS (Information/Discussion)

A discussion will be held regarding the current EP&AA recommendations. It was determined that a closer look and a better understanding regarding EL policy, Federal Law identification and definition procedures of ELs should be had prior to the recommendations approval. A closer look at revisions to recommendation 1 will be discussed. A further discussion on what policy would look like or be revised to if recommendation 2 & 3 were passed will also be held.

- *Lorna James-Cervantes, English Mastery Council Chair*

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

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12. ADJOURNMENT

Lorna James-Cervantes, English Mastery Council Chair