

**NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
 COMMISSION ON SCHOOL  
 FUNDING  
 April 26, 2024  
 9:00 AM**

Office	Address	City	Room
Department of Education	2080 E. Flamingo Rd.	Las Vegas	<u>Board Room</u>
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**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

Guy Hobbs, Chair  
 Joyce Woodhouse  
 Dusty Casey  
 Jason Goudie  
 Dr. David Jensen  
 Paul Johnson  
 Punam Mathur  
 Mark Mathers  
 Jim McIntosh  
 Kyle Rodriguez  
 Nancy Bruner

**DEPARTMENT STAFF PRESENT**

Joseph Baggs  
 Megan Peterson

**LEGAL STAFF PRESENT**

Deputy Attorney General Greg Ott

**AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE**

Christie Fernandez  
 Lance Lattin  
 Dr. Sherry Spencer  
 Kerri Finn  
 Kathleen Galland-Collins  
 Christie McGill  
 Dr. Kelsey Krausan  
 Amanda Brown  
 Justine Silverstein  
 Sean Tanner

## SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING

### 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order by Chair Hobbs. Quorum was established. Chair Hobbs noted for the record that they are joined by Deputy Attorney General Greg Ott.

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

There was no public comment.

### 3. APPROVAL OF FLEXIBLE AGENDA *(For Possible Action)*

**Unidentified speaker moved to approve the flexible agenda. Unidentified speaker seconded. Motion carried.**

### 4. NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATE *(Information, Discussion, and Possible Action)*

The Commission will receive an update on the progress made by the Nevada Department of Education since the last meeting.

- Megan Peterson, Deputy Superintendent of Student Investment Division, NDE

Megan Peterson gave an update on the date of next meeting in May. She gave a timeline for of upcoming events. She gave an update on special education funding methodology. *(See "4. NDE Update Grad Score by Grade v3 - new chart.pdf" for details.*

### 5. TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION ADVISORY TASK FORCE PRESENTATION *(Information, Discussion, and Possible Action)*

The Commission will receive a presentation from the task force regarding their efforts and work in teacher recruitment and retention.

- Christy McGill, Deputy Superintendent, NDE

Christie Fernandez, Lance Lattin, Dr. Sherry Spencer, Kerri Finn and Kathleen Galland-Collins gave a presentation on the Teacher Recruitment and Retention Task Force. *(See "5. CSF 4.26 TaskForce Presentation.pdf" for details.)* Commissioner's questions were answered.

### 6. WORK GROUP REPORTS AND DISCUSSION *(Information, Discussion, and Possible Action)*

The Working Group Leads will report on the progress made since the last Commission meeting. The Commission may discuss and make possible recommendations based on information shared by the working groups.

- Working Group #1, Pupil-Centered Funding Plan Technical Changes, Joyce Woodhouse  
Member Woodhouse stated they had completed their listening sessions and their report would be on the May agenda.

- Working Group #2, Optimal Funding, Guy Hobbs

Chair Hobbs gave an update on their report and stated they would have a refresher on the revised target values at the next meeting. In the May or June meeting, they will have an item on to discuss the types of recommendations that would be included in the report.

- Working Group #3, Current Reporting and Data, Jason Goudie

Member Goudie gave an update on a comprehensive list with 450 reports and discussed the reports.

- Working Group #4, Accountability and New Reporting Framework, Paul Johnson

Member Johnson deferred his update to agenda item 7.

- Working Group #5, Accountability Outcome and Trends, Dr. Nancy Brune

Member Brune stated she is meeting with the consultant next week to start talking about pulling together examples of data visualization.

- Working Group #6, Improve Accessibility within Public Schools, Jim McIntosh

Member McIntosh stated he had put together information regarding accessibility within public schools. The legislature wanted information about open zoning. He stated he did connect with the subject matter expert who did provide some additional color by providing what other states are doing in terms of open enrollment logistically for districts, largely related to transportation and the cost of transportation. He stated he was hoping to have that out this week and will have it today for review, and hopefully will be complete by next meeting.

- Working Group #7 Small Capital Funding, Guy Hobbs

Chair Hobbs gave some background on what the reports will contain. He went through the recommendations they have discussed. The members held a discussion about the recommendations.

**Member Johnson moved to adopt the recommendations with revisions to #3 and move the section on inventory of items into context instead of recommendations. Unidentified speaker seconded. Motion carried with Chair Hobbs abstaining.**

- Working Group #8/9, Teacher Pipeline/Teacher and Support Staff Compensation, Dusty Casey

Member Casey gave an update on his group.

*(See “6. Working Group Points of Consideration-Small Capital Funding GH edits.pdf” for details).*

**7. UPDATE ON REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND POTENTIAL CATEGORIES FOR A NEW REPORTING FRAMEWORK. *(Information and Discussion)***

The Commission will receive a presentation related to reporting requirements of Assembly Bill 400 and Senate Bill 98.

- Dr. Kelsey Krausan, Director, WestEd

Dr. Kelsey Krausan gave an update on reporting requirements of AS 400 and SB 98. A discussion took place and questions were answered. *(See “7. CSF 4.26 Reporting Framework AB400 SB98 WestEd ADA.pdf” for details.)*

**8. ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF THE PCFP ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: CHALLENGES**

**AND OPPORTUNITIES *(Information and Discussion)***

The Commission will receive a presentation on assessing student achievement under the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan.

- Dr. Sean Tanner, Senior Research Associate, WestEd

Dr. Sean Tanner gave a presentation. A discussion took place and questions were answered. *(See “8. CSF 4.26 PCFP Student Achievement WestEd.pdf” for details.)*

**9. NCEI PRESENTATION FROM SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS *(Information, Discussion, and Possible Action)***

The Commission will receive a presentation related to the Nevada Cost of Education Index (NCEI) from subject matter experts, why the adjustment is important and in what cases is it useful.

- Justin Silverstein, Co-CEO, Augenblick, Palaich and Associates.

Amanda Brown and Justin Silverstein gave a presentation. *(See “9. CSF 4.26 NCEI Presentation APA.pdf” for details.)*

**Member Goudie made a motion to retain prior recommendations to keep the NCEI at one. Member Mathur seconded. Motion carried.**

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Minutes Approval for March 22 and April 26, 2024. Due to a restructure with our vendor, minutes are delayed one month.

Chair Hobbs stated they will have a report from MDE, have the flexible agenda again, have the working groups reporting one less now, and follow-up on updates received today. It looks like NCEI will not be on the next agenda.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT #2**

A follow-up email from Opportunity 180 was read into record.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Hobbs adjourned the meeting.