



Certification and Higher Education Committee

Maine State Board of Education

Minutes of the March 26, 2013 Meeting

The Certification and Higher Education Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at the Department of Education in Augusta. The following were present: Chair Nancy Perkins; Jana Lapoint and Heidi Sampson (Board Members); Mark Cyr and Alisa Johnson, Department of Education.

Nichi Farnham (Board Member) attended by phone.

Also present were: Andrew McAuliff, (RSU#54/Maine School Management)

Nancy Perkins called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

MOVED by Jana Lapoint, seconded by Heidi Sampson, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the February 25, 2013 minutes as written.

Updates

Certification (Mark Cyr):

- A private vendor (Morpho Trust) will be working with the Maine State Police in the finger printing process. Trained personnel will be available in public locations and in some cases, be in mobile units. This should provide more availability of locations for school personnel fulfilling this requirement.

Chapter 118

- The Committee will be forwarding a letter of recommendations to the Board and the Commissioner regarding the updating needs for Chapter 118. The Committee determined that the Chapter should be aligned with Chapter 114 with the wording regarding standards. The major concern was the updating of materials on the website and in the training materials.

The next Certification Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2013 at 9:00 AM. The meeting will be held in room 541 of the Cross State Office Building.

Adjournment

The Certification Committee meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM