

Minnesota Board of School Administrators

BOSA Monthly Meeting

Minnesota Department of Education Board Room CC13

1500 Highway 36 West, Roseville, MN 55113

June 13, 2016

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Nancy Antoine, Tracine Asberry, Kim Hartung, Deb Henton,
Denise Kapler, Robert Meyer, Daniel Naidicz, Louise Sundin

VIA Phone: Mary Mackbee and Jean Haar

Board Members Excused: N/A

Staff:

John Mulé, Asst. Attorney General & Counsel to the Board

Janet Mohr, Executive Director

Karen Millar, Administrative Assistant

Guests:

Bill Wold, Capella University

Harry McLenighan, MN Principal Assessment Services

Alejandra Matos, Star Tribune

Solvejg Wastvedt, Minnesota Public Radio

Ed Graff, MPS Superintendent Candidate

MPS School District Members

Brenda Story, Bemidji Regional Interdistrict Council (via phone)

Dessica Veum, Eagle Valley ISD (via phone)

CONVENE: MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Chair pro tem., Louise Sundin at 12:30 p.m.

- I. APPROVAL OF 06/13/2016 AGENDA:
NANCY ANTOINE MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO INCLUDE THE CONSIDERATION OF A VARIANCE FOR SUPERINTENDENT ELECT, ED GRAFF, FOR MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS UNDER THE LICENSING COMMITTEE REPORTS. DENISE KAPLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED.
- II. APPROVAL OF 05/09/2016 MINUTES:
TRACINE ASBERRY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. ROBERT MEYER SECOND. MOTION CARRIED.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Daniel Naidicz recused himself in advance of the discussion and vote for Mr. Ed Graff for personal reasons.
Tracine Asberry recused herself in advance of the discussion and vote for Mr. Ed Graff due to a conflict of interest.

DENISE KAPLER MOVED to approve a request by Minneapolis Public Schools for a Variance for Mr. Ed Graff for Superintendent Licensure. **NANCY ANTOINE SECOND.** Discussion: Mr. Graff expressed his thanks for the opportunity to be here today. He is looking forward to doing great work for the city of Minneapolis and the State of Minnesota. Nancy Antoine, on behalf of the Licensing Committee, put forth a recommendation to approve the variance. Mr. Graff will be enrolled today in a Licensure Program at the U of MN, working toward gaining a Superintendent License. Executive Director, Janet Mohr, assured the Board that Minneapolis Public Schools provided comprehensive documentation in response to criteria that must be met as outlined by MN Rule 3512.5300. Mr. Graff will be enrolled in the Administrative Licensure Program today with an anticipated completion date of June 30, 2017. *(Yes: Mackbee, Antoine, Haar, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Meyer, Sundin – Recused: Asberry, Naidicz)* **MOTION CARRIED.**

NANCY ANTOINE MOVED to approve a request from Eagle Valley Public Schools #2759 for a Superintendent Variance for Ms. Dessica Veum. **DANIEL NAIDICZ SECOND.** Discussion: Eagle Valley will no longer maintain a classified secondary school site and is not required to employ a superintendent pursuant to MN Statute 123B.143. However, Eagle Valley will indirectly provide secondary educational services through financial support, will continue to operate K-6 educational services and will have a school board. Therefore, Eagle Valley desires to employ a superintendent and combine this position with their existing K-12 principal's position. Ms. Veum is enrolled in a superintendent preparation program and anticipates completing the licensure requirements in Fall 2016. *(Yes: Antoine, Asberry, Haar, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Naidicz, Sundin)* **MOTION CARRIED.**

DANIEL NAIDICZ MOVED to approve a request by MN State Academy for the Deaf and Blind for a Superintendent Variance for Mr. Terrance Wilding. **NANCY ANTOINE SECOND.** Discussion: Mr. Wilding is enrolled in the superintendent licensure program at the U of MN. The anticipated program completion date is Summer 2017. *(Yes: Antoine, Asberry, Haar, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Naidicz, Sundin)* **MOTION CARRIED.**

NANCY ANTOINE MOVED to approve a request from Waseca Public Schools to extend a Letter of Approval for Community Education Director for Mr. Paul DeMorett. **DANIEL NAIDICZ SECOND.** Discussion: Mr. DeMorett is on a medical leave until late Fall 2016. He plans to resume his position with the Waseca School District and complete his licensure program at Minnesota State University Mankato. *(Yes: Antoine, Asberry, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Naidicz, Sundin – Abstain: Haar)* **MOTION CARRIED.**

DENISE KAPLER MOVED to deny a request from Bemidji Regional Interdistrict Council (BRIC) for a Director of Special Education Variance for Ms. Renae Donaghue. **DANIEL NAIDICZ SECOND.** Discussion: Ms. Donaghue is enrolled in the Director of Special Education licensure program at Minnesota State University Moorhead. She will complete her licensure program in Spring 2017. (Yes: *Antoine, Asberry, Haar, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Naidicz, Sundin*) **MOTION CARRIED.**

NANCY ANTOINE MOVED to approve a request from Bemidji Regional Interdistrict Council (BRIC), for a Director of Special Education Variance for Ms. Jennifer Grabow. This is the second request for Ms. Grabow. She was employed with Moorhead Public Schools in August 2015 and has now applied for a position with BRIC. Ms. Grabow has been working toward completion of her licensure program since August 2015 and anticipates completing the program at MN State University Moorhead by Spring 2017. (Yes: *Antoine, Asberry, Haar, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Naidicz, Sundin*) **MOTION CARRIED.**

NANCY ANTOINE MOVED to deny a request from Mr. Joshua Fuchs for an extension of his K-12 Principal license. **DENISE SECOND.** At the May 9, 2016, meeting the Board denied Mr. Fuchs' request to extend his K-12 provisional license for one more year. Mr. Fuchs is now requesting the Board consider his Request for Administrative Personnel Variance. Mr. Fuchs has had the opportunity to complete his licensure program since 2011. Therefore, the Licensing Committee is recommending that no further extensions be granted. (Yes: *Antoine, Asberry, Haar, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Naidicz, Sundin* – Abstain: *Hartung*) **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Ethics Committee:

- a. Reviewed 9 conduct reports – Approved 5
Hold on 4 for more information
- b. There are now a total of 44 complaint files
- c. Reviewed 3 cases today
- d. Closed 2 cases

C. Communications/Legislative Update: No report.

D. Professional Development and Program Review: No report

E. Executive Committee: No report.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

o **Janet Mohr reported on the following:**

- Remaining funds at the close of the fiscal year (June 30, 2016) will be rolled over to FY17. If there are no unexpected expenditures in FY16, an estimated 10K could roll forward to the FY17 budget. Board should decide if they desire to use the unallocated funds in FY16 or have it roll forward to FY17.
- S.F.2651 and H.F.3133, proposes a legislative task force to review the OLA's report on the MN Teacher Licensing program and submit a report to the legislature by February 1, 2017. At their meeting on April 11th, the Legislative Committee of BOSA discussed their interest in working collaboratively with the Board of Teaching and MDE Educator Licensing to discuss recommendations that may be meaningful to the Legislative Task Force.

- H.F.3858 and H.F.3813, propose BOSA's budget allocation for FY16 at \$228K and FY17 at \$231K. There will be a letter of appreciation sent to Senator Wiger and Representative Loon, finance committee chairs at the close of the session.
- No Board meeting in July, 2016. The next meeting of the Board will be August 1, 2016. Please mark your calendars for the second Monday of each month for the regularly scheduled Board meetings.
- There is no agenda for Legislative Committee today.

V. **MDE Report:** ESSA updates will be provided when available.

VI. **BOARD MEMBER REPORT:** No report.

VII. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** NONE

VIII. **OLD BUSINESS:** NONE

IX. **LICENSURE MATTERS:** NONE

X. **NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion of dates and times for annual retreat. August meeting will be moved to August 1st and will include extended hours to compensate the annual retreat after the meeting.

XI. **ADJOURN:**

ROBERT MEYER MOVED to adjourn. KIM HARTUNG SECOND.
MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

Next meeting – Monday, August 1, 2016

Respectfully submitted by:

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