



Chapter 55 Negotiated Rule Making Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 28, 2022
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Roll Call

Negotiated Rule Making Members Present

Sharyl Allen
Patti Drake
Tara Hubing
Rhonda Long
Julie Murgel
Renee Schoening
Stephen Schreiberis
Curtis Smeby
Ruth Uecker
Chris Olszewski
Joan Franke
Corey Barron
Michele Paine

Stephen Schreiberis
Lisa Petersen
Susan Lake
Adrea Lawrence

BPE Representation

McCall Flynn

Facilitator

Aislinn Brown

Executive Support

Maie Lee Jones
Samantha Walsh
Joan Franke

Welcome and Introduction

The virtual meeting of the “Chapter 55 Negotiated Rule Making Committee” was called to order at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 28th, 2022, by the facilitator, Aislinn Brown.

Public Comments

Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association, Executive Director

Approve Revised meeting minutes

The minutes from the meetings on June 9, 16, 17, and 23 have not yet been approved. The meeting recordings will be made accessible as soon as possible.

- June 6th minutes have been approved by the committee.

Discussions and consensus building occurred on proposed changes for two rules: 10.55.704 and 10.55.705. Consensus was not reached and both rules were tabled for the upcoming meeting and consensus.

ARM 10.55.704 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL: ASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

*Sharyl Allen, Montana Office of Public Instruction, Deputy Superintendent
McCall Flynn, Montana Board of Public Education, Executive Director
Julie Murgel, Montana Office of Public Instruction, Chief Operating Officer
Ruth Uecker, Great Falls Public Schools, Assistant Superintendent K-6
Chris Olszewski, Billings Public Schools, Curriculum Director
Susan Lake, Montana Taxpayer
Adrea Lawrence, University of Montana, Dean of College of Education*

- *The discussion focused on the assignment of superintendents as aligned with MCA 20-4-401. Additional discussion was held about the curriculum director role in relation to the superintendent. The administrative rule has been tabled until the upcoming meeting on Thursday, June 30th, for additional discussion.*

ARM 10.55.705 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL: ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS / PRINCIPALS

*Sharyl Allen, Montana Office of Public Instruction, Deputy Superintendent
Michele Paine, Flathead High School, Principal
Curtis Smeby, Havre Public Schools, Trustee
McCall Flynn, Montana Board of Public Education, Executive Director
Adrea Lawrence, University of Montana, Dean of College of Education
Renee' Schoening, Montana School Counselor Association, Executive Director
Ruth Uecker, Great Falls Public Schools, Assistant Superintendent K-6
Julie Murgel, Montana Office of Public Instruction, Chief Operating Officer
Rhonda Long, Fergus County, County Superintendent
Susan Lake, Montana Taxpayer*

- *The committee discussed the assignment of principals in a variety of district configurations and the role of supervising teachers and county superintendents in relation to the principal role. The committee discussed criteria based on the scope, function, and responsibility of a principal. Part of the discussion focused on a superintendent's recommendation to the board of trustees to establish the staffing levels for principals. The committee further discussed what an assignment of a principal equated to in terms of FTE. It was suggested to clarify full and partial FTE. The committee also addressed the definition (38) of "school administrator". Consensus was not reached on the rule and it tabled to follow-up on Thursday, June 30th.*

Summary and Next Steps

- *The next In-person meeting will be on Thursday, June 30th at Capitol Room 152 from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.*

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Written public comments can be submitted to: Ch55PublicComment@mt.gov