Purpose: The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) is charged with establishing an independent negotiated rule making committee (Committee). The Committee will consider issues to reach consensus on the proposed amendments to Chapter 55 and consult on the preparation of an economic impact statement that reflects the most accurate needs of the schools to facilitate local practice. The negotiated rulemaking process is required by §20-7-101, Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

CONSENSUS WAS REACHED at the June 9, 2022 meeting on the following rules: 604, 605, 606, 607, 608. See the recommended changes carried forward from the June 9, 2022 meeting agenda here.

Outcomes
• Development of the Economic Impact Survey
• To continue to reaching consensus on the proposed recommended changes for any rules where consensus has not yet been reached, but discussed. Welcome and introduction (10 min)

Agenda
• Public Comment (15 min)
• Approve June 6th meeting minutes (5 min)
• Consensus building on proposed changes for rules not discussed on June 9, 2022 agenda of which a summary is below.
  10.55.701 BOARD OF TRUSTEES
  10.55.702 LICENSURE AND DUTIES OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR – DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
  10.55.703 LICENSURE AND DUTIES OF SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
  10.55.704 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL: ASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS
  10.55.705 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL: ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS/PRINCIPALS
  10.55.706 TEACHER INVOLVEMENT
  10.55.707 TEACHER AND SPECIALIST LICENSURE
  10.55.708 TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS
  10.55.711 GENERAL: CLASS SIZE AND TEACHER LOAD
  10.55.712 CLASS SIZE: ELEMENTARY
  10.55.714 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
  10.55.716 SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS
  10.55.722 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (NEW STANDARD)
  10.55.723 MENTORSHIP AND INDUCTION (NEW STANDARD)
  10.55.724 EVALUATION (NEW STANDARD)
  10.55.803 LEARNER ACCESS
10.55.806 ENGLISH LEARNERS (NEW STANDARD)
10.55.906 HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT
10.55.907 DISTANCE, ONLINE, AND TECHNOLOGY-DELIVERED LEARNING
10.55.1001 PROGRAM STANDARDS
10.55.1003 PROGRAM FOUNDATION STANDARDS
10.55.1101 COMMUNICATION ARTS PROGRAM DELIVERY STANDARDS
10.55.1301 HEATH ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM DELIVERY STANDARDS
10.55.1701 CAREER AND VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM DELIVERY STANDARDS
10.55.1901 SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM DELIVERY STANDARDS
10.55.2101 WORLD LANGUAGES PROGRAM DELIVERY STANDARDS

• Summary and Next Steps

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