



*National Policy Board for
Educational Administration*

**The National Policy Board for Educational Administration
Meeting Minutes**

Monday, June 18th 2:00 PM

AACTE Headquarters

1307 New York Avenue, NW, 2nd floor conference room, Washington, D.C.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Michelle Young, chairperson, welcomed meeting participants and opened the meeting with a roll call. Present were Emerson Elliott (NCATE), Honor Fede (ELCC), Mary Beth Nowinski (AACTE), Sharon Robinson (AACTE), Margaret Terry Orr (Invited Speaker), Paul Houston (AASA), Richard Flanary (NASSP), Joe Villani ((NSBA), Linda Scrapper (ASCD), Gail Connelly (NAESP), and Gary Martin via conference call (NCPEA).

2. REVIEW OF THE AGENDA

Chairperson Young reviewed the agenda and asked for any additional items. She indicated that she had added emerging issues to the agenda and asked participants to consider significant issues that would allow the organization to focus on its original mission.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes were approved as presented.

Motion Houston
2nd Robinson
Motion Approved

4. FY 07 YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL REPORT

Chairperson Young presented the year-to-date fiscal report that indicated that all dues had been paid for FY 2007 and that dues invoices for FY 2008 had been mailed and only three were outstanding.

Motion Connelly
2nd Houston

Motion Approved

5. EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PREPARATION EVALUATION TASK FORCE REPORT & Discussion

Margaret Terry Orr reported on the UCEA/TEA-SIG Task Force evaluation of leadership preparation programs. She explained that the task force found that the number of masters degree programs increased as did the number of master degrees according to the IPEDS data between 1993 and 2003. In addition, the group noted that more comprehensive colleges and universities were granting master's and that the research institutions were declining in the master's and doctoral degrees. The Task Force looked at exemplary programs and compared them with other programs and found differences. The Task Force looked at programs in specific states including Indiana and Texas.

There was general consensus that an NBPEA goal is improvement of programs. Meeting participants agreed that there is a need for more research on why programs produce an unevenness of quantity and quality of new principals and suggested that the new ISLCC standards may be a way to address this. The group agreed that districts need to set standards for working conditions and for successful schools and on several barriers for getting quality principals into the schools: low pay, low supply, and scarce resources. The group will look further into developing articles on improving working conditions in the schools. Chairperson Young asked that members provide ideas for future Board discussion based on this research. Chairperson Young agreed to invite Ed Fuller, who does work with CTQ, CREATE and UCEA among other organizations, to present at the next meeting on research concerning principal stability, teacher stability and working conditions and their links to student achievement.

6. STANDARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

Richard Flanary provided an update on the standards committee work, which was convened in 2002. The research panel had completed its work and the final report was due out in two weeks. It will have six standards along with a preamble. These are policy standards. ELCC will do the program standards. He reported that the standards will soon be ready for input from the field. NPBEA members will be sent a copy of the standards in the fall to be sent out to their members for input and feedback. Flanary encouraged each member to make arrangements for how to reach their membership base for this important task. Each standard will have a research base. Once feedback from NPBEA member associations has been obtained, it will be sent to the Steering Committee for final revisions. Then, the revised ISLCC standards should be ready for final approval by the NPBEA in December 2007.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Sharon Robinson reported on the subcommittee's interim meeting held on May 18, 2007. Dr. Robinson reported that positive responses to the standards had been received from school board members and chief state school officers. Recognizing the copyright issues,

the committee suggested that NPBEA consider possible “tiered” documents that would help constituent groups to access the standards. States would need guidance to implement these standards. She reported that the first step might be for each of the NPBEA organizations is to sign off on the new standards language. Then NPBEA might identify states to volunteer as pilots for implementation of the standards across states.

Once there is organizational endorsement of the standards, there may be a need for NPBEA to produce a support structure by creating websites and links. The committee suggested several possible partnerships for addressing these challenges including the Learning First Alliance states, the New Leaders for New Schools, the Broad Foundation of Superintendents and private producers of school leaders. The committee suggested that it might host a meeting and invite interested groups to disseminate what was learned in the pilots.

Gary Martin suggested that the committee give consideration to changing the name of the ISLLC/ELCC standards to one that reflects educational leadership. He noted at our last meeting there was great confusion in the field over the many different names of the educational leadership standards (NPBEA standards, NCATE standards, ISLLC standards, ELCC standards).

Meeting participants were in agreement that the NPBEA goal is to become a policy leader for the profession and set high preparation standards and that the new standards and its roll out might allow an opportunity for the organization to move this agenda forward. Chairperson Young asked that members think about this idea and that it be added to a future meeting agenda.

8. SPA REVIEW UPDATES - ELCC

Honor Fede reported on ELCC activities and the recent SPA approval rates. She noted that there is a great need for new reviewers. Reviewers must be active members, they may not be retirees. Gary Martin suggested that each NPBEA organization submit possible names of new program reviewers to Honor Fede. Honor agreed to forward reviewer recommendation forms to each NPBEA member director.

9. EMERGING ISSUES

This item was discussed in agenda item 5.

10. PROPOSED DATES FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held between December 10 through 14, 2007 at NAESP Headquarters. Please forward agenda items to Chairperson Young

11. ADJOURN

Chairperson Young adjourned the meeting at 4:00 PM

Minutes Submitted by Mary Beth Nowinski, AACTE