

CCAC Highlights –June CTC Meeting Agenda Alert and follow up Highlights

In this alert CCAC has highlighted some agenda items that may be of importance to you. There are items both for *action*, which means the commissioners will be voting on these items to be implemented, and items for *information*, which are to inform commissioners and the public for possible future action and research.

The items of importance are followed up by specific action and information from the meeting.

Important Agenda Action Items

Item 3A: Legislation: Status of Legislation (Information)

Item 3A includes the proposal for revamping the Adult Education Credential.

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Staff reported that AB 2040 – Teacher Leaders is no longer being held in suspense. As of Thursday the bill was on its way to the Senate for action.

Item 3B Analysis of Bills (Action)

For more information on the bills the Commission is following see:

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-3A.pdf>

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-3B.pdf>

Item 4A: Proposed Amendments to 5 California Code of Regulations Pertaining to Multiple and Single Subject Credentials for Out-of-State Credentialed Teachers

This item presents amendments to change the California Code of Regulations for Out-of-State Trained Teachers. This step is necessary to allow the Commission staff to begin the rule making process.

This agenda item can be found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-4A.pdf>.

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The public hearing was short. There were only two written comments supporting the changes. There was no audience comment.

Item 5A: Adoption of Proposed Preconditions for Audiology and School Nurse Services Credential Preparation Programs

Currently employing school districts can apply for the Preliminary School Nurse Credential or the Preliminary Clinical Rehab in Audiology Credential – A university recommendation is not required. This item seems to suggest that because pre-conditions must be verified, the COE or employing school district will no longer be able to identify a BA and License, that only a school with a Commission approved program will be able to determine if the standard is being met. This topic may be of particular interest to employer.

This agenda item can be found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-5A.pdf>.

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This item was approved without discussion.

Item 5B: Adoption of the Plan for the Implementation of SBX5 1

This agenda item provides a set of initial procedures that an entity that is not regionally accredited but is interested in preparing teachers in the areas of science, mathematics and career technical education in California will need to satisfy in order to be eligible to submit program documents. This recommendation was brought to the Commission by the Committee on Accreditation.

This agenda item can be found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-5B.pdf>.

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Commission staff explained the four recommendations in this proposal which required Commission action. There were a number of questions that were asked to help clarify the recommendation before the vote. Commissioners were concerned about this proposal and wanted to make sure they were be given a chance to “fine tune” the process. The recommendations were approved with some suggested word changes.

Non-Action/Information Agenda Items of Interest

Item 4B: Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Teaching Credential Extension Options

This item gives an update on the implementation of options for 2042 credential holders who can only clear their credentials through BTSA/Induction. Included in this agenda item is a great deal of information that can be used as advising materials for people who are working with teachers looking for answers to their questions about renewing their credentials.

This item can be found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-4B.pdf>

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Staff reported that only a small number of extension requests have been processed. It was also reported that staff will explore possible new/additional options for extensions. That is when the first of the 3-year extensions will expire. Staff was directed to track the number of extension requests to help understand what is going on in the field.

Item 5D: Update on the Work of the Teaching Mathematics Advisory Panel and Introduction of Draft Standards

This item provides an update of work by the Teaching Mathematics Advisory Panel, including proposed revisions to Standard 8-A: Pedagogical Preparation for Math Content Instruction for Multiple Subject candidates. It also introduces a proposed Mathematics Specialist authorization structure and draft preparation program standards.

This item can be found at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2010-06/2010-06-5E.pdf>.

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This item was for information only.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Dale Janssen gave an update on the progress of the Title 5 regulations for Special Education. He reported that the Office of Administrative Law had questions regarding the new Communications Disorders and Speech, Language and Pathology Services authorizations and were unwilling to approve the regulations if these authorizations were included. Therefore, the decision was made to pull these authorizations from the package. Mr. Janssen reported that an item will be included on the August agenda that will outline the plan for the authorization of these items.

The complete agenda includes additional items that may be of interest to CCAC members.

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