

**Nonpublic School Advisory Committee Agenda**  
**May 13, 2014**  
**Grimes State Office Building – State Board Room**  
**1:00 p.m.**  
**Facilitator: Dave Tilly**

Attendance – Dave Tilly, Nicole Proesch, Julie Delaney, Jerry Deegan, Beth Happe, Lee Morrison, Wayne Dykstra, Luvern Gubbels, Ryan Wise, Isbelia Arzola, Cindy Butler, Merilee Sump, Greg Feldmann, Joan Thompson, Phil Wise, Gary Schwartz, Dan Ryan, Ann Feilmann

The meeting was called to order by Dave Tilly at 1:05 p.m.

**Policy Legislative Update** – Ryan Wise and Phil Wise reviewed the recently completed legislative session. SF 2347 approved funding for the reading early warning assessment program for districts and schools. HF2389 creates a 90-day period, which specifically prohibits a relationship between a teacher and former student. The law now includes all those with coaching authorization as well.

**Radon Bill** – Gary Schwartz presented information about radon testing. The presentation is available on the DE website. SF 366 was passed in the 2014 legislative session. It requires the DE to provide information to schools and districts about radon and collect information from schools and districts relating to whether the school conducted a radon test and has a mitigation plan in place.

**Title II** – Isbelia Arzola reviewed the changes to Title II funding mechanism. The formula calculations have been reviewed. This required a change in how the money was to be allocated away from the AEA to the LEA. There has to be a meaningful conversation between the LEA and local nonpublic schools. The DE will calculate the funding level for each nonpublic school. Pooling of nonpublic schools funding is possible provided the nonpublic schools are located within a single public school district. A power point explaining this new process is available on the DE website.

**Early Start Date Waiver** - Cindy Butler informed the committee that HF 2173 allows schools to request an early start date waiver. The BEDS reporting is the way to access the early start date waiver request. There is no need for nonpublic schools to have a public hearing or to list the specific reason for the request.

**Community Eligibility** - Ann Feilmann explained how schools can prequalify free and reduced families for lunch and breakfast through the Community Eligibility Program (CEP).

**EdPortal – C-Plans** - Jay Pennington is working to ensure that the nonpublic school C-Plans are made available online on the DE Website.

**Early Literacy (ELI) Training** – Greg Feldmann reviewed the ELI training opportunities and public school requirements. FAST has been approved as the assessment tool. The two-day training is available at 14 sites across the state in the summer. Those dates are on the DE website. At the training there is a required demonstration of the skills needed to administer the assessment. The committee requested that at the training the presenters are aware of the terminology associated with schools and districts. The registration fees are required for all participants. The fees associated with FAST are covered through state funding.

Future Meeting Dates were set as:

October 7, 2014  
December 9, 2014  
February 10, 2015  
May 12, 2015