



Certification and Higher Education Committee
Maine State Board of Education
Minutes of the March 1, 2021 Special Meeting

The Certification and Higher Education Committee held a virtual special meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021, via Zoom. The following were present: Committee Chair, Wendy Ault; Fern Desjardins; Peter Geiger; John Bird and Wilson Hess (Board Members). Deputy Commissioner Chuhta; Angel Loreda, Director of Higher Education and Educator Support Services; Karen Kusiak, Director Legislative Affairs (Department of Education) and Mary Becker, State Board Secretary Specialist.

Guests: Jill Adams, Executive Director, MADSEC; Vicki Wallack, Communications Director, Maine School Management Association; Cynthia Alexander, Assistant Superintendent, RSU 5 (Members of the Public).

Chair, Wendy Ault called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

Introductions: Chair Ault welcomed all members and guests to the meeting and reviewed the agenda.

The focus of the March 1, 2021 meeting was stated:

- Review draft revisions to Chapter 115, Part II, *Requirements for Specific Certificates and Endorsements*, with Deputy Commissioner Chuhta.
 - School Psychologist Update

Public Comment:

No public comment

Chapter 115 Review:

Review of Part II –

- *School Psychologist Update*
- *Career and Technical Education (CTE) Certificates and Endorsements*. Committee review ended on page 65.

NOTE: The Committee recessed from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

It was suggested that a copy of the language of the CTE section of Chapter 115 – Section 3: Teachers and Educational Specialists; Career and Technical Education Certificates and Endorsements be shared with CTE staff at the Department of Education.

Following much discussion, it was decided that the Committee will continue review of Part II, starting on page 66, at the next Special meeting of the Committee on Wednesday, March 3 from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

Meeting Handouts:

- 1) Agenda
- 2) Chapter 115, Part II

The next regular Certification Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 10:30 AM. The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

Adjournment:

The March 1, 2021 Special Certification and Higher Education Committee meeting adjourned at 2:03 PM.