

**GCEC Regular Meeting  
Thursday, Feb 16, 2017  
4:15 p.m., UOG SOE Building**

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

GCEC Chair Hendricks called the meeting to order at **4:17 p.m.**, on Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017 at the UOG - SOE, Room 213, Mangilao.

Commission Members: All Present

Others Present: DOE - Doris Faisao, Monica Miral and Raymond Lizama

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

L Santos reported that Del Piore (GFT) would be unable to attend because of a conflict with a CSC meeting.

**Motion by M Santos and seconded by Ichihara- Rosario to approve the minutes. APPROVED.**

Hendricks explained that based on Robert's Rule, there was no need to approve reports.

**Motion by M Santos and seconded by Baza-Cruz that reports will no longer be voted on except for an audited Treasurer's Report and that reports will be noted in the minutes.**

Based on M Santos' review of Robert's Rule, she pointed out that approving the Treasurer's Report is contrary to the Rule because the report is unaudited. Commission can accept the report and note in the minutes.

**Motion by M Santos and seconded by Baza-Cruz to amend the original motion unless there is an item in the report that will require an action. Then that item will be moved to either Old or New Business.**

**Amendment to the motion is APPROVED.**

**Back to the original motion with the amendment is APPROVED.**

III. REPORTS

A. TREASURER'S REPORT

Ichihara – Rosario reported that as of Feb. 13, 2017, Expenditures were \$83,115.68 and the balance for the Local Account was \$198,706.32.

For the Collection Fee Appropriation Account, FY17 rollover appropriated funds is \$93,460.38, Total Expenditures is \$10,629.98 and a balance of \$95,535.38.

B. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

No report.

C. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## OPERATIONS

- Nov 26-28, 2016 Hendricks, Baza-Cruz, M Santos and L Santos attended the PPI Conference in Des Moines, Iowa
- Nov 10 & Dec 6, 2016 Monthly meeting with Sen. Underwood's office
- NASDTEC surveys
  - Idaho - policies and practices in regard to certificates for Dance
  - jurisdictional report of changes
  - Massachusetts - Alternative option(s) to the traditional teacher assessments
  - Alaska - Complaints and Investigations Procedures
  - Idaho - testing waivers and endorsements in Humanities and STEM areas

**Motion by M Santos and seconded by Ichihara-Rosario to approve the Executive Director's report. APPROVED.**

### D. SUB-COMMITTEE

No reports.

## IV. OLD BUSINESS

### A. GFT Amendments to PL 32-236

Hendricks pointed out that the underlined portion are the GFT's proposed amendments. Hendricks and Baza-Cruz stated that the 1<sup>st</sup> proposal "... *when the complainant knew or should have known*" was never discussed. M Santos considered a situation where the parents found out about a situation later on. She added that the current law limits it to one year. Lisa-Baza pointed out that an alleged sexual misconduct has a limit of 3 years. Ichihara-Rosario recalled that the statute of limitation was removed due to the cases that have been filed against church members. Hendricks pointed out the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment relates to Adverse Action. Baza-Cruz recalled how the commission already voted on this issue during the previous meeting. Hendricks relayed that nobody wishes to withdraw the previous motion.

### B. PRAXIS II Special Education

Hendricks stated that the issue is that the current test is a second PLT. The discussion was whether the students have to take 2 PLT's because there is no actual SPED content test. The SPED undergraduate degree has been removed from the UOG catalogue. M Santos discussed that a student can get an M Ed. in SPED and their exit requirement is the SPED test. Hendricks pointed out that those students would have to take a 2<sup>nd</sup> PLT. M Santos stated that the law requires passing a PLT. GCEC previously approved that SPED educators' take a content test in Elementary. Hendricks stated that an internship is required for the Master's degree and added that there is no need to make changes to the Praxis II SPED. M Santos raised the issue for the 10 students who are currently in the program. They need Elementary content in SPED to be certified in SPED and the PLT. Hendricks stated that 5 current students will be student teaching in the Fall so the commission needs to make the decision ASAP.

**Motion by M Santos and seconded by Ichihara-Rosario to table the issue. APPROVED.**

## V. NEW BUSINESS

A. FY 2018 Budget

L Santos explained that the FY18 Total Budget Request was \$477,951. Total Personnel cost is \$204,251. Contractual includes the \$200,000 for the Legal Services for a lawyer and investigator, and \$20,000 for an Off-island Trainer. The office also needs 4 back up batteries for the desk top computers.

**Motion by M Santos and seconded by Baza-Cruz to approve the FY 2018 budget. APPROVED.**

VI Ex-Officio

VII Announcements

IX Adjournment

**Motion by Ichihara-Rosario and seconded by Cooper-Nurse to adjourn. APPROVED.**

Adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

*Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017, 4:15 pm.*