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GCEC Regular Meeting
Monday, August 16, 2021
4:00 p.m. Zoom

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GCEC Regular Meeting
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Minutes

I Call to Order / Roll call of members

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Roberta Abaday, Lisa Baza-Cruz, Leeana Borja, Lisa Cooper-Nurse, Aldrin Cajigal, David Mercado, Chelsey San Nicolas

ExOfficio: Dr A. Aguon, D. Faisao, M. Schrage

Present Guests: Alma Terbio, Tom Hazama, Maia Ocampo, Neil Rochelle, Terese Crisostomo

II. Approval of Agenda: Motion: Leeana Borja made a motion to move the Endorsement for Psychometric Testing before Approval of Minutes.

Second: Lisa Cooper-Nurse

Approved.

III. - VI A: Endorsement for Psychometric Testing. Discussed the request to provide an endorsement for psychometric testing be available for those with current teaching certificates. Presentations provided by guests to support the request. Discussed in GCEC meeting. GCEC requested a list of requirements be sent to GCEC staff, by Psychometric GDOE staff to provide reference on required courses. Discussed the exact title of the endorsement and decided on "Psychological Educational Evaluation" endorsement. GDOE position description will be forwarded by GDOE staff to GCEC and included with the endorsement materials.

Motion Lisa Baza-Cruz: To approve an endorsement for Psychological Evaluation to be provide for those who already have a current educational certificate.

Second: David Mercado

Approved.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Chelsey San Nicolas moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting with corrections.

Second: Lisa Baza-Cruz

Approved.

V Reports

A. Treasurer – Leeana Borja

Special Fund Appropriation: \$228,856.00, YTD Quarterly Released Allotments \$194,527.00; Total Amount Unallotted Balance Unreleased FY 2021 \$34,329.00; Our YTD total expenditures \$162,779.68; YTD outstanding encumbrances \$8,894.86; YTD FUNDS available balance \$57,181.46.

Collection Fee Account: Rollover allotment beginning available funds for FY 2021

\$88,292.94; Allotment Available Balance \$60,518.98; Total Expenditures FY2021 \$28,703.14; Outstanding Encumbrances \$1,789.80; YTD Collection Fee Account Available Balance is \$30,026.04.

General Ledger Account: Total Carryover Collected Fees as of October 2021 \$105,515.70; Year to date expenditures and outstanding encumbrances \$27,763.04; Fees collected and received to date in FY 2021 \$30,495.00, same amount deposited into Treasury of Guam August 16, 2021. Leads to Grand total collected fees available and not loaded of \$108,247.66.

As per Gwen Manglona, the transfer of last deposit of \$35 was in March. GCEC is expecting a transfer of more money to this account of about \$13,000.00 to be for April, May, June and July.

B. Chairperson

Thanked GCEC staff for working during pandemic and the cleaning of SOE. Through their effort they were able to maintain working hours.

Grateful to Governor for re-appointment of Lisa Cooper-Nurse. She has sent in her nomination packet. Date of hearing not set yet but a letter of support from GCEC will be prepared.

Thank you for the review of the Legislature Bill 161-36 that all charter school teachers will have a 5-year period to certify. The media has shared mixed feelings from the charter schools, the Bill provided excellent research and benefits of certification. The responsibility of hiring and encouraging certification is on the charter schools. After a review of the Bill there is no comment needed from GCEC on the Bill. GCEC is always ready to certify those who are qualified.

A letter requesting Administrative leave for the Ethics Training was sent to the Governor for government employees serving on the GCEC commission. The training is scheduled for the end of August and all GCEC commissioners are expected to attend.

Dr. Lisa Baza Cruz and Kenneth Perez are interested in attending the NASDTEC Professional practices Institute scheduled for October 2021. To approve the travel we need to have evidence of a motion in the minutes.

Motion- Lisa Cooper-Nurse moved to allow Dr. Lisa Baza-Cruz and Kenneth Perez to attend the NASDTEC with the funds for travel be utilized for registration and travel.

Second: Leeana Borja

Approved.

C. Executive Director

The required Ethics Class is August 27 from 8:30-12:00. A memo went through the Governor's Office (Michael Weakley) and Payment has been made for all commissioners. A Zoom link will be provided.

Summer Interns did excellent work in helping the GCEC.

The Data Base and WebPage are still in construction and being worked on with OTECH and our web master.

GCEC Budget outlook is positive for approval with BBMR and Sen. San Agustin, but GCEC is still waiting receipt of written approval.

Customer Service Training is being offered for \$42 at UOG September, Labor Day for those interested.

From June 21-Aug 15 there was 159 applicants for certification.

Educational Dept Advisory Meeting, August 13, was held at GCC.

R. Abaday asked if GCEC Executive Director was preparing other workshops on how to fill in the professional development forms to prepare teachers for renewals. The Executive Director is working with Fran Camacho to help prepare a presentation.

D. Sub-Committees

No reports

VI. Old Business

A. Educator Misconduct

Lisa Baza-Cruz will be calling the committee together upon latest court documents. She is getting assistance on the clarification of the legal statements and will be updating during the next meeting.

B. GCEC FY2022 Budget Nothing in writing but looking forward in GCEC budget approval.

C. SOP Committee: Voting on approval and Informing UOG and GCC of SOP 2021.02 Criteria for Identification and Acceptance of a Higher Institution as an Educator Preparation Program.

Motion Lisa Baza-Cruz to approve the SOP 2021.02 Criteria for Identification and Acceptance of a Higher Institution as an Educator Preparation Program

Second: Chelsey San Nicolas

Approved.

A letter will be prepared and sent to the two educational institutes (UOG/GCC). The new GCC representative Marivic Schrage requested access to the documents for review. R. Abaday would provide the access to the google docs.

D. Praxis Update No report

VII. New Business

A. Endorsement for Psychometric Testing (discussed earlier in meeting).

B. Training for Ethics in Government, August 27 on zoom, 8:30-12:00. Required for all commissions. Administrative leave needed for employees of the Government of Guam.

VIII. Ex-Officio

Dr A. Aguon UOG: nothing to report.

Marivic Schrage: Newly appointed representative to GCEC by GCC President.

Doris Faisao: School begins tomorrow for GDOE.

IX. Announcements

No announcements

Training end of this month for Ethics 27 August

GCEC scheduled meeting in November 15, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. If any emergency meeting is needed, K. Perez will let us know.

X. Executive Session
No reports

XI. Adjournment
5:09 p.m.
Motion Lisa Baza-Cruz
Second David Mercado
Approved.