

CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Mastery Examination Committee Meeting

September 21, 2016

1 - 3 p.m.

Present: Dianna R. Wentzell, Commissioner of Education, Chairperson
Jim Accomando, CT PTA
Dr. Joseph Cirusuolo, CAPS
Patti Fusco, AFT-CT
Ted Goerner, CEA
Ajit Gopalakrishnan, Connecticut State Department of Education
Dr. Stephen Hegedus, SCSU
Cathy Hill, CAS
Abe Krisst, Connecticut State Department of Education
Sheila McKay, CABE (In place of Patrice McCarthy)
Dr. Karissa Niehoff, CAS-CIAC
Don Romoser, CT PTA
Allan Taylor, Connecticut State Board of Education, Chair
Jeffrey Villar, CCER
Don E. Williams Jr., CEA
Stephen Wright, Connecticut State Board of Education

Absent: Kathleen Kennedy, CT PTA
Patrice McCarthy, CABE
Kathy Greider, CAPSS
Ed Leavy, AFT-CT
Richard Murray, Killingly, CABE
Arthur Poole, Higher Education

I. Call to Order

Dianna R. Wentzell called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

II. Approval of the Minutes from July 20, 2016, Meeting

Minutes from the July 20, 2016, Mastery Examination Committee meeting were approved.

III. Group Discussion: Types and Purposes of Student Assessment in Education (Continued)

There was continued discussion of the [Types and Purposes of Student Assessments in Education document](#) that was presented at a recent meeting of the Mastery Examination Committee.

IV. Testing Results and Schedule

There was a discussion about the testing schedule and several large policy shifts noted in a [July 8, 2016, memo](#) sent by Commissioner Dianna R. Wentzell.

V. Growth Model

Ajit Gopalakrishnan presented on the new growth model for Smarter Balanced set to be released to districts in November and implemented with the accountability results set to be released in January 2017.

VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be October 19, 2016, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

VII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.