

CC 2.0 Joint Board meeting
1-18-2022 2:00 p.m.
Hotel Concord
Concord NH

In Attendance: Joint Board members Decoteau, Mulholland, Murphy, Warren
Remotely Participating: members Nowell

Motion made by Nowell, seconded by Mulholland to approve the minutes of the 12-2-2021 meeting – motion passed 5-0 (Nowell voting remotely in the affirmative).

Legislative update

Jim Merrill presented legislative update-

- Most education bills are not subject matter related to this group but will continue to track them.
- Adequacy committee will not meet again until after “crossover” which should occur in early April.
- Continuing to track bills regarding remote meeting participation, support for these bills is unclear.
- Legislative focus is on other subject matters, including vaccines and reproductive rights.
- Appears that there are no bills in this session that are directly related to this group’s charter.
- Will continue to monitor progress on HB608 (relative to the formula for determining funding for an adequate education).

A discussion was held on HB 1033 (prohibiting recipients of state or local grants or appropriations from using such funds for lobbying) and its possible effect on this group – motion made by Mulholland, seconded by Nowell to advocate opposition to the aforementioned bill, motion passed 5-0 (Nowell voting remotely in the affirmative.)

Merrill contacted “Reaching Higher” group director Tom Rath and was advised that:

- The goal of the group is to be a neutral arbiter of data and information relative to education legislative issues.
- The group intends to remain nonpartisan in its efforts.
- There may be ways that our group and the “Reaching Higher” group could work together, Merrill to follow up on this and report back to the board.

Merrill will also reach out to the “NH Funding Fairness” group, a discussion was held on the possibility of board members meeting with representatives of these groups, Decoteau and Mulholland volunteered to participate in that process.

Coalition communications:

A discussion was held on the budget, billing and the upcoming assessment process – assessments will be adiscussion item at the next meeting which is scheduled for 2-17-2022, 2:00 pm, location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.