

STATE OF NEVADA
MEETING OF
Nevada State Financial Literacy Council
Meeting Minutes – February 25, 2021
Nevada Department of Education
Zoom Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: **Chairman Raymond Specht** called the meeting to order at 8:30am. Roll call was read, and the attendees present are as recorded below. It was noted that the meeting had a quorum.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Scott Arkills
Jan Jones Blackhurst
Charles Dayton
Superintendent Jhone Ebert
Jeffrey Kirst
Dr. Melody Rose
First Lady Kathy Sisolak
Ray Specht
Julie Tacker
Michelle Wheatfill
Todd Hess

MEMBERS ABSENT:

John Guedry

STAFF:

Jayne Malorni
Amanda Pinter

2. PUBLIC COMMENT #1:

Chairman Specht asked for public comment. There was none.

3. FINANCIAL LITERACY SUBCOMMITTEE OVERVIEW:

Chairman Specht stated the Grants/Funding Subcommittee met recently, they discussed long term goals for Financial Literacy. The group would like to work with the other subcommittee groups to find out what each group needs, and the Grants/Funding subcommittee will work to get those items funded. The group discussed funding source ideas: legislative funding, partnering with other state agencies,

speaking with Nevada senators and officials about federal programs, researching financial literacy grant opportunities, and partnering with non-profits. **Member Michelle Wheatfill** stated the curriculum subcommittee reviewed the curriculum that is currently on the NDE website. There are great resources there, and the group would like to add free resources, and possibly Junior Achievement. Currently, secondary curriculum is Next Generation Personal Finance (NGPA). The curriculum subcommittee would like to reach out to NGPA and partner up for a conference. The group also discussed creating games focused on vocabulary, as it is extremely important in financial literacy. **Chairman Specht** stated he works with a couple of associations that offer online demonstrations; he will reach out to see if they would be willing to do a training.

4. FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH:

Chairman Specht stated that April is Financial Literacy Month. **Jayne Malorni** stated that one week during the month will be dedicated to savings. She asked members to think about ideas for the theme, and what kind of social media presence the council would like.

5. FINANCIAL LITERACY EDUCATOR SUMMIT:

Chairman Specht turned the discussion over to **Jayne Malorni**. **Ms. Malorni** stated the educator Summit will be virtual and is scheduled for May 1st. She asked to please let her know if anyone had any conflicts. The Summit will include K-12 Educators, and **Ms. Malorni** asked **Member Rose** about including Higher Education. **Member Rose** stated it would be great to talk about ideas to include Higher Education. The Summit will be advertised in the NDE newsletter that is sent to all Superintendents, Principals and Educators in the state.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Chairman Specht asked members for additional agenda items. There were none.

7. FUTURE MEETING DATES:

Chairman Specht stated the next meeting is March 31st at 8:00am.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT #2:

Chairman Specht asked for public comment. There was none.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Member Jones Blackhurst motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Hess seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:45am.