

BUCKEYE LOCAL LPDC MEETING  
April 2007

The following items were discussed during the April meeting held at the Jefferson County Educational Service Center.

1. The next date for the Jefferson County LPDC is May 16th 2007 at 4:30 p.m. at the Jefferson County Educational Service Center. Please remember that your IPDP must be submitted with your application packet to Carol Webb at Central Office at least **one week before the meeting date.**
2. The committee working on reviewing, revising, and updating the by-laws provided a final copy of the updated by-laws for the committee to review. The eleven members of the committee believe that this revised packet, with a few minor changes, will serve our LPDC's needs well for the next several years. See your building representative if you have any questions.
3. If your certificate or license expires June 2007, you should have begun the renewal process. Remember that everything is to be submitted at one time to Central Office, the LPDC packet, and official transcripts/CEU's (remember to fill out the back of the page), license fee, and IPDP. Please see an LPDP member if you need help. **You now need to be fingerprinted electronically before submitting your application.** This can be done at the Central Office between 7:30 and 3:30 each day.
4. **Combining of Multiple Areas of Licensure** *“Based on conversations with Leonard Crawford, our ODE Licensure/certification Consultant, the ESC staff believes the following procedures will continue to prevail regarding combining areas of licensure onto one license. (1) Newly acquired endorsements and areas of licensure will automatically be added to (combined with) a currently effective license. (2) Separately held licenses will not be combined unless requested by the license holder at renewal time.”* This is the exact wording of our agenda item from the January 07 meeting. However, sometimes “”Truth is Dated!” You should have received by now a handout revealing a somewhat different story from the same source (ODE) for February (and beyond we presume). Explanation “A” on the attached handout refers to (2) above. **No Change.** Explanation “B” on the attached handout refers to (1) above. **Changed.**
5. HPE 911 – Walking for Fitness . The LPDC is limiting the approving of that course for credit to Health and P.E. teachers only. If you are not teaching health or physical education, you can't use this class for renewal.
6. Professional Development for the LPDC 2006-2007  
The LPDC is committed to become more PD focused since the writing of IPDP's has been streamlined. For April, Karen Martin of the JCESC discussed the new licensure requirements and the reporting of misconduct related to HB 79 (BCI & FBI records checks. JCESC will be presenting for May. Your suggestions and support are vital if we are to optimize our Professional Development efforts for the future. Please contact an LPDC member if you have an idea for professional development.

7. All teachers have been given a copy of approved On-Line Colleges and Universities outside of Ohio. Approved work taken from these colleges and universities is acceptable for certificate/license renewal and for salary schedule advancement (if approved by your district). **Please be reminded that all coursework must appropriately support the implementation of the goals and activities that are on your approved IPDP.** Coursework taken from these colleges and universities may not be accepted by ODE as legitimate work for gaining licensure in an additional field (e.g., administration). **It is advised that you obtain approval from ODE prior to beginning coursework for an additional field.**
  
8. We have added another approved university to our ever-growing list. Cal. State University Monterey Bay (#4). However, this addition is only regionally approved by its own accrediting entity. Accreditation to “do business” in Ohio through the Board of Regents has not yet been sought. Until the Board of Regents conducts an Oversight Review of a college or university, there will be limitations on how that college or university can serve Ohio. Please keep in mind the potential limitations of these on-line experiences. Ask before you spend time and money on these types of classes

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