April 25, 2011

Mr. Charlie Michels, Executive Director
Professional Standards Board
Townsend Building
401 Federal Street
Dover, DE 19901

RE: 14 DE Reg. 978 [Proposed School to Work Transition Teacher Regulation]

Dear Mr. Michels:

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Professional Standards Board’s [in collaboration with the Department of Education (DOE)] proposal to amend the standards for qualifying for a certificate as a school to work transition teacher. The proposed regulation was published as 14 DE Reg. 978 in the April 1, 2011 issue of the Register of Regulations. SCPD has the following observations.

Overall, the regulation is straightforward. It incorporates the standards for a standard certificate (§§2.1 and 3.1.2), adds coursework requirements (4.1.1), and adds a 2-year experience requirement (§4.2.1).

SCPD endorses the proposed regulation subject to consideration of the following amendments: 1) correcting a minor error in §3.1 which reads "...an applicant who who has met the following:"; and 2) incorporating §4.2.1 into §4.2 since there is no §4.2.2.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions or comments regarding our observations or recommendations on the proposed regulation.

Sincerely,

Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson
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