KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 2:020. Request to Waive Renewal Requirements for Provisional Occupation-Based Career and Technical Education Certificate for Marc Hill

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the Office of Career and Technical Education's (OCTE) request to renew Marc Hill's one-year provisional occupation-based career and technical education certificate based on zero hours of college credit?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.020, KRS 161.028, 16 KAR 2:020

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 2:020 establishes the qualifications for certification of teachers of occupation-based career and technical education. Section 2(3) sets the requirements for subsequent renewals of the one-year provisional certificate. Specifically, subsequent renewal requires recommendation from the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and, if applicable, an accredited provider of an occupation-based educator preparation degree program. The KDE or the accredited provider of an occupation-based educator preparation degree program, shall ensure the candidate completes six semester hours of college credit, completes four days of professional development, and successfully completes the background disclosure.

Summary: OCTE has submitted this waiver on behalf of Marc Hill, an engineering technology teacher. Mr. Hill had some personal issues that did not allow him to complete the required six credit hours. He enrolled in an incorrect master's program and had to enroll in the correct one. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in general studies; however, the degree does not count for him as a content-related degree. He is required to obtain at least an associate's degree in engineering or in career and technical education. He is in the New Teacher Institute 2022 cohort, so his past renewal requirements were met through NTI, and he was not required to take any courses. This is the first year that he was required to have six credit hours and he did not take any course. Mr. Hill states he is willing to do whatever it takes to get back on track. OCTE is requesting that the EPSB waive the requirement of six credit hours for Mr. Hill and issue the one-year provisional certificate.

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