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A couple things.... Johanna's last day is not tomorrow. It is **MAY 31**. She can still help with talking to Mebane and she has had several touch points with her in January and February, so I'm sure she wouldn't mind helping out there.

In addition to the FAQs (attached again), **should the two new PPTs we've worked on go to the Supt's team for review as well?** We just wrapped up suggestions for these – I have not yet sent them to Patrick/Tom and DPI team yet. They are attached for review. The full detail version includes friendly edits to the DPI PPT that is used with PEPSC and SBE to clarify messaging a bit. The second PPT is the educator version that could be used as a paired down presentation by Patrick/DPI to K-12 educators and even higher ed or general public. Note that the educator version has two unresolved questions in comment bubbles for Patrick/DPI to think on.

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Hi Megan,

See our notes from today's call with DPI and Supt. Truitt.

Key Takeaways:

- Supt. Truitt is reaching out to Mebane to discuss survey and dissuade her from proceeding
- Supt. Truitt likes the option of conducting a public comment period prior to the final plan being shared with the Board
- E&V is sharing FAQ with Supt. Truitt's office

Notes:

- Mebane is very eager to move the concept forward, particularly through the survey, EdNC has the ability to reach out to everyone across the spectrum
 - She said she was going to do it herself if we don't do it
- The questions need to be written in a skilled way, who owns that data is important
- Mebane has offered to write the questions
- Mebane has spoken with Eric and Patrick
- Melanie- said questions are important
- Supt. Truitt isn't happy with the EdNC article on the PEPSC presentation
 - She warned about getting ahead of their skis and that's what happened
 - She read the notes from the committee call that the messaging on this has gotten away from us
 - We need to figure out how to get it back
- Jill- survey can indicate that we're seeking input
 - Supt. Truitt - problem is the plan isn't fully baked yet so do we need that feedback
- Patrick- Mebane is out of her lane, they're supposed to be reporting on ed not making the sausage
 - Conflicted about it and don't know what to do about it
 - Mebane's response was a threat
 - Sabotage with members of NCACTE
 - NCACTE- that the strawman is the final model
 - Dempsey slammed the door on them in the co-chairs meeting
 - Supt. Truitt will reach out with Chris and NCACTE to try to smooth things over
 - Mebane is out of her lane and the messaging of this being the final model being pushed by members of the advocacy committee
- Supt. Truitt - noise from members of NCAE pushing back on the incomplete model
 - Supt. Truitt can also reach out to Mebane to have a conversation
 - The Belk foundation is one of their founders- Johanna might weigh in too
- Jill- if she goes off on her own we have no control
 - Shelby- agree and nervous about survey because there are multiple audiences; end goal is overhaul in NCGA and if teachers come out against it then it'll be dead on arrival, we're working against it being dead on arrival because of the price
- Reaching out to Mebane is the next step- by Supt. Truitt and Johanna, reminding her that there are a lot of voices in the decision making
- Lauren- If we want Belk foundation we would need Johnny because Johanna's last day is tomorrow
- Blair- Supt. Truitt should reach out without Belk from a relationship building standpoint
 - Need to keep the relationship in tact with DPI
 - Seeking feedback on an unfinished model is never good
 - We know the time isn't right for now but we do want to work with you- what is the best way for us to do that
- Supt. Truitt - legislators said come back in 6 months when this is finished

- Shelby- broader media is not covering it, but N&O did reach out for comment on the model
 - TT worked on answers they highlighted that it isn't finished
 - Kern- tweets more than he writes probably preparing for state board meeting next week, did not indicate that he's writing an article
- Jill- next week's state board meeting is another pressure point
 - Put DRAFT on the slides in the decks
- Patrick- NCAE Tamika Walker Kelly and her folks are scattered in the subcommittee- haven't been openly opposed to the work
 - Ed policy network presenter- Tamika is not against the model and wants to keep beating the drum that teachers need more
 - Supt. Truitt - she's not the one it's the charlotte ppl, NCACTE group are the biggest spur right now
- Jill- agreement about the survey- second thought it's not wise to do it
 - Supt. Truitt to call Mebane
 - Supt. Truitt to talk to Chris and try to give them some love
 - The four people making the most noise- coming from the place that future of EPPs are being threatened, anything that puts teachers in classrooms without EPPs are a threat to them
 - Patrick- But you could do it now, it's incredibly rare and a small chance in the model but they see it as a threat
- Patrick- when in the process would it be time to do the survey?
 - Suggestion when PEPSC approves final model but before presenting to state board for consideration- so between those two times, probably late summer
 - Supt. Truitt-are we thinking that gives us a chance to address problems before presenting to the board
 - Patrick- yes because once they have it they have to approve or send it back so we could send it until we get the feedback and then we'd use that to help inform the board's decision
 - Once the board sends it back twice PEPSC is out
 - Supt. Truitt- likes to send it to the board after the public comment period, we should do a public comment period instead of survey because that's the normal protocol for state board things
- Patrick- FAQ is working so thank you to E&V b/c it's been very helpful
- Jill- E&V needs to send FAQ to Supt. Truitt and Blair and Shelby this afternoon

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