

IC 20-20-14

Chapter 14. Educational Technology Council

IC 20-20-14-1

"Council"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "council" refers to the educational technology council established by section 2 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-14-2

Establishment of council

Sec. 2. The educational technology council is established.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-14-3

Advisory duties; members; quorum; per diem and expenses

Sec. 3. (a) The council shall advise the state superintendent and the governor on education related technology initiatives.

(b) The appointed membership of the council shall reflect its purposes and be experienced in technology generally. An appointed member of the council serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The council consists of the following sixteen (16) voting members:

(1) The state superintendent.

(2) The special assistant to the state superintendent of public instruction responsible for technology who is appointed under section 5 of this chapter.

(3) Four (4) individuals who represent private business appointed jointly by the state superintendent and the governor. Each member appointed under this subdivision must be experienced in development and use of information technology. A member appointed under this subdivision may not represent possible providers of technology or related services.

(4) Three (3) individuals who:

(A) manage educational environments, including postsecondary education; and

(B) are experienced in their educational work with information technology;

are appointed jointly by the state superintendent and the governor.

(5) Three (3) individuals who are public school educators familiar with and experienced in the use of technology in educational settings appointed jointly by the state superintendent and the governor, with one (1) representing an urban school corporation, one (1) representing a suburban school corporation, and one (1) representing a rural school corporation.

(6) Four (4) members who are members of the general assembly and who are appointed as follows:

(A) Two (2) members of the house of representatives,

appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives with not more than one (1) from a particular political party.

(B) Two (2) members of the senate, appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate with not more than one (1) from a particular political party.

(c) The state superintendent shall designate the chair of the council from the membership of the council.

(d) Nine (9) members of the council constitute a quorum to conduct business. Action of the council is not valid unless approved by at least nine (9) voting members of the council.

(e) Each member of the council who is not a state employee is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem as provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is, however, entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(f) Each member of the council who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(g) Each member of the council who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to members of the general assembly serving on interim study committees established by the legislative council.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.231-2005, SEC.20; P.L.2-2007, SEC.206.

IC 20-20-14-4

Employment of personnel and consultants

Sec. 4. The department may employ personnel or consultants, or both, to carry out the council's duties and functions.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.

IC 20-20-14-5

Appointment of special assistant for technology

Sec. 5. (a) The state superintendent shall appoint a special assistant for technology. The person appointed under this section serves at the pleasure of the state superintendent.

(b) The person appointed under subsection (a) must be experienced in the integration of educational technology initiatives, infrastructure management and support, and applied research into effective educational practices available to students and educators in the classroom. The state superintendent is encouraged to conduct a nationwide search for the best available talent to fill the position required by this section.

(c) The person appointed under subsection (a) shall coordinate the duties and functions of the department and the council under the following:

- (1) IC 20-20-13 (educational technology program and grants).
- (2) This chapter.
- (3) Any other law concerning educational technology or telecommunications.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.4.