Report of the State Board of Education Committee on Instruction January 31, 2013

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 12:25 p.m. on Thursday, January 31, 2013, in Room #1-100 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

<u>Presiding</u>: Tom Maynard, chair; Sue Melton, vice chair; Martha Dominguez; Marisa Perez; Geraldine "Tincy" Miller

Public Testimony

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The Committee on Instruction received no presentations of public testimony.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Election of Chair

MOTION AND VOTE: Motion was made by Ms. Melton to nominate Mr. Maynard as chair of the Committee on Instruction. With no objections the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Maynard asked Ms. Melton to serve as vice chair of the Committee on Instruction, Ms. Melton agreed.

2. Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment

(Second Reading and Final Adoption) (Board agenda page II-1) [Official agenda item #5]

<u>MOTION AND VOTE</u>: It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for second reading and final adoption the proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment.

DISCUSSION ITEM

3. Review of 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment

(Board agenda page II-95)

Gloria Zyskowski, director for student assessment, explained that as part of the required four-year sunset review of state agency rules under Government Code, §2001.039, this discussion item is presented to review the rules in 19 TAC, Chapter 101, <u>Assessment</u>.

ACTION ITEMS

4. Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 89, <u>Adaptations for Special Populations</u>, Subchapter B, Adult Basic and Secondary Education

(Second Reading and Final Adoption) (Board agenda page II-29) [Official agenda item #6]

Gina Day, coordinator, adult basic education policy, federal and state education policy division, reviewed the rules presented for second reading and final adoption.

<u>MOTION AND VOTE</u>: It was moved, seconded, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for second reading and final adoption 19 TAC Chapter 89, <u>Adaptations for Special Populations</u>, Subchapter B, <u>Adult Basic and Secondary Education</u>.

5. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 115, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Health Education</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Elementary</u>, §§115.2-115.7, and Subchapter B, <u>Middle School</u>, §115.22 and §115.23

(First Reading and Filing Authorization) (Board agenda page II-39)

[Official agenda item #7]

Monica Martinez, managing director, curriculum division, explained that the proposed amendments would add student expectations for bullying prevention to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for health education at each grade level, kindergarten through Grade 8 as required by House Bill (HB) 1942, 82nd Texas Legislature, 2011.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 115, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Health Education</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Elementary</u>, §§115.2-115.7, and Subchapter B, <u>Middle School</u>,§115.22 and §115.23.

6. Proposed Approval of Innovative Courses

(Board agenda page II-65) [Official agenda item #8]

Shelly Ramos, director of academic standards and services, curriculum division, provided an overview of the innovative course approval process and explained that eight courses that do not fall within any of the subject areas of the foundation or enrichment curriculum were being presented to

the committee for review and approval. Six courses were previously approved courses that have been submitted for renewal and two were new applications. Ms. Ramos explained the staff recommendation that the Methodology for Academic and Personal Success course be approved as a one-to two-credit course. Ms. Ramos also explained the staff recommendation to change the approval period for renewal applications from three to four years to lessen the burden for school districts.

<u>MOTION</u>: It was moved by Mrs. Miller and seconded by Ms. Perez to recommend that the State Board of Education approve the two new innovative courses that do not fall within any of the subject areas of the foundation or enrichment curriculum.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Ms. Melton, seconded by Mrs. Miller, and carried unanimously to amend Mrs. Miller's motion to specify an approval period of two years for the two new innovative courses that do not fall within any of the subject areas of the foundation or enrichment curriculum.

VOTE: A vote was taken on the original motion by Mrs. Miller. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>MOTION AND VOTE</u>: It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for a period of four years the six renewal innovative courses that do not fall within any of the subject areas of the foundation or enrichment curriculum.

CONSENT ITEM

7. Recommendations Regarding Readoption of Instructional Materials

(Board agenda page II-69)

[Consent agenda item #(1)]

Christopher Lucas, review and adoption director in the division of instructional materials and educational technology, presented the item and explained that readoption is recommended to ensure that the currently adopted instructional materials continue to be available for distribution to school districts until new materials are adopted.

<u>MOTION AND VOTE</u>: It was moved, seconded, and carried to recommend that the State Board of Education readopt instructional materials currently under contract in the subject areas and for the periods and pricing indicated in the Attachment.

ACTION ITEM

8. Consideration of Petition for Adoption of Rule Concerning 19 TAC Chapter 89, <u>Adaptations for Special Populations</u>, Subchapter C, <u>Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency</u>, §89.43, Eligibility for a Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency

(Board agenda page II-89) [Official agenda item #9]

Gina Day, coordinator, adult basic education policy, federal and state education policy division, presented the item.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved, seconded, and carried unanimously that the consideration of petition be denied because the the age and eligibility requirements are established in state law and may not be changed by SBOE rulemaking.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 2:36 p.m.