Report of the State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board November 16, 2016

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 9:09 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2016, in the State Board of Education Room, #1-104, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

<u>Presiding</u>: Donna Bahorich, chair; Lawrence A. Allen, Jr.; Erika Beltran; David Bradley; Barbara Cargill; Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Martha M. Dominguez; Pat Hardy; Tom Maynard; Sue Melton-Malone; Ken Mercer; Geraldine "Tincy" Miller; Marisa B. Perez; Thomas Ratliff; Marty Rowley

Public Testimony

This item provides an opportunity for the public to present testimony at the time the related item comes up for committee discussion or action. The procedures for registering and taking public testimony at State Board of Education committee meetings and general board meetings are provided at http://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Leadership/State_Board_of_Education/SBOE_Meetings/SBOE_Operating_Rules_Amended_4-17-15/ or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

The Committee of the Full Board heard public testimony on agenda items #2, #5, and #6. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of those items.

Items for the Committee of the Full Board were considered in the following order: Item #1, #3, #4, #2, #5, #6, #7.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Commissioner's Comments

(Board agenda page I-49)

Commissioner of Education Mike Morath welcomed Jennifer Carle, the new executive director of the State Board of Education Support Division. He also told the board that the Texas Education Agency will release a preliminary run of the new accountability system in January but noted that some elements of the system will still be in development at that time. He discussed agenda items dealing with proposed changes to educator certification rules and the Bond Guarantee Program. He then answered questions from the board on those agenda items and a variety of topics.

2. Public Hearing Regarding Possible Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 111, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Elementary</u>, Subchapter B, <u>Middle School</u>, and Subchapter C, <u>High School</u>

(Board agenda page I-51)

Invited testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: James Milgram

AFFILIATION: Self

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Tony Martinez

AFFILIATION: Texas Association of Supervisors of Mathematics (TASM)

NAME: Jerri LaMirand

AFFILIATION: Texas Association of Supervisors of Mathematics (TASM)

NAME: Susie Johnson McElroy

AFFILIATION: Magnolia ISD

NAME: Kim Fromberg

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jacqueline Weilmuenster

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Niki Hayes

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jamie Thibodeaux

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jennifer Espericueta

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Cynthia Schneider

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Lori Hines

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Chris Remy

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Shere Salinas

AFFILIATION: Corpus Christi ISD

NAME: Andrea Gonzales

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Susan Whisenant

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Randy Houchins

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: John Pendergraff

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Katelyn Pendergraff

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Angela Blackburn

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Steve Swanson

AFFILIATION: Self

ACTION ITEMS

3. Report from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under *Proclamation 2017*

(Board agenda page I-15) [Official agenda item #6]

Kelly Callaway, senior director, instructional materials, presented final information on *Proclamation 2017* regarding the coverage of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills and English Language Proficiency Standards, factual errors, editorial changes submitted by publishers, and publishers on the list that had previously refused to rebid instructional materials.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mr. Ratliff, and seconded by Mr. Cortez, to recommend that the State Board of Education:

Require that all publishers of adopted materials make corrections listed in the Report of Required Corrections of Factual Errors;

Require that all adopted instructional materials meet established manufacturing standards and specifications as applicable;

Approve changes and corrections to adopted materials submitted in response to written comments and public testimony; and

Place instructional materials submitted for adoption on the adopted list as indicated on the Report from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2017, excluding those products submitted by the publisher Red and Black, LLC, and the publisher Momentum Instruction, LLC.

<u>Aye:</u> Mr. Allen Mr. Maynard

Mrs. Bahorich Mrs. Melton-Malone

Ms. Beltran Mr. Mercer
Mrs. Cargill Mrs. Miller
Mr. Cortez Ms. Perez
Dr. Dominguez Mr. Ratliff
Ms. Hardy Mr. Rowley

(Mr. Bradley was absent for the vote.)

4. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, <u>Curriculum Requirements</u>, Subchapter B, Graduation Requirements

(First Reading and Filing Authorization)

(Board agenda page I-19) [Official agenda item #7]

Shelly Ramos, senior director, curriculum standards and student supports, explained that the proposed amendments include the new and revised career and technical education courses that may satisfy a mathematics or science graduation requirement. Ms. Ramos also highlighted a proposed amendment that would better align the rule with statute related to the sequence of mathematics courses.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mr. Maynard and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, <u>Curriculum Requirements</u>, Subchapter B, <u>Graduation Requirements</u>, §74.12 and §74.13. (Mr. Bradley was absent for the vote.)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 112, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Science</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Elementary</u>, Subchapter B, <u>Middle School</u>, and Subchapter C, High School

(Board agenda page I-55)

Monica Martinez, associate commissioner for standards and support services, provided an update regarding the science TEKS streamlining process.

Invited testimony was provided by the following representatives from the science TEKS streamlining committees:

NAME: Ashley Davidson

AFFILIATION: Kindergarten – Grade 2

NAME: Jennifer Meyer AFFILIATION: Grade 3 – Grade 5

NAME: Cathy Harter AFFILIATION: Grade 6 – Grade 8

NAME: Jessica Menchaca

AFFILIATION: Integrated Physics and Chemistry

NAME: Karyn Ard AFFILIATION: Biology

NAME: Jamie Flint AFFILIATION: Chemistry

NAME: Nicole Harvey

AFFILIATION: Physics

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Bruce Verduyn

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Ide Trotter

AFFILIATION: Texans for Better Science Education

NAME: Walter L. Bradley

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Ronald K. Wetherington

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jonathan Witt

AFFILIATION: Discovery Institute – Dallas

NAME: Charles Garner

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: David Walls AFFILIATION: Texas Values

NAME: Sandra West

AFFILIATION: Science Teachers Association of Texas (STAT)

NAME: Lee Ferguson

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Kenneth Heydrick

AFFILIATION: Texas Science Education Leadership Association (TSELA)

NAME: Ray Bohlin

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Shane Woods

AFFILIATION: Self

6. Discussion of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 110, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for English Language Arts and Reading</u>, and 19 TAC Chapter 128, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Spanish Language Arts and Reading and English as a Second Language</u>

(Board agenda page I-61)

Ms. Martinez discussed steps that had been taken since the September SBOE meeting including webinar and face-to-face meetings of the English and Spanish language arts and reading expert reviewers and a webinar with expert reviewers and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board panel members.

Public Testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Suzy Lofton-Bullis AFFILIATION: Lago Vista ISD

NAME: Shona Rose

AFFILIATION: Coalition of Reading and English Supervisors of Texas

NAME: William Eastman

AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jennifer Wilkerson

AFFILIATION: Self

ACTION ITEM

7. Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency

(Board agenda page I-41) [Official agenda item #8]

No action was taken on this item.

DISCUSSION ITEM

8. Discussion of Pending Litigation

(Board agenda page I-69)

The committee did not discuss pending litigation; therefore, no executive session was held.

Mrs. Bahorich adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.