The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 1:12 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, in the State Board of Education Room, #1-104, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. The following members of the committee were present:

Presiding: Donna Bahorich, chair; Lawrence A. Allen, Jr.; Erika Beltran; David Bradley; Barbara Cargill; Martha M. Dominguez; Pat Hardy; Sue Melton-Malone; Ken Mercer; Geraldine “Tincy” Miller; Thomas Ratliff; Marty Rowley

Absent: Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Tom Maynard; Marisa B. Perez

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 #3 and #4. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

CONSENT ITEM

1. Approval of Nominees to Recommend to the Governor for Service on the Board of Trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas
   (Board agenda page I-1)
   [Consent agenda item #(1)]

   MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mrs. Melton-Malone, and carried unanimously that the State Board of Education approve the list of three nominees: Carlotta Allen, John Osborn, and Christopher Moss, to be submitted to the governor for consideration of one appointment to the board of trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, for a six year term of office expiring on August 31, 2021. (Mr. Allen, Mr. Mercer, and Mr. Ratliff were absent for the vote.)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Ethics Training
   (Board agenda page I-485)

   Board members were provided with copies of the Permanent School Fund Ethics Handbook and A Guide to Ethics Laws for State Officers and Employees, and received a briefing by Christopher Maska, TEA ethics advisor, regarding ethical requirements and issues.
3. **Public Hearing on the Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency**  
(Board agenda page I-527)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

**NAME:** Lynda Webb  
**AFFILIATION:** Individual

**NAME:** Dale E. Pillow  
**AFFILIATION:** Adult Reading Center

**NAME:** Dalerie Lamphere  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Jon Engel  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Elizabeth Luna  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Sarah Stannard  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Alayna Sublette  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Lester Meriwether  
**AFFILIATION:** Literacy Connexus, Inc.

**NAME:** Tonia Garner  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Cristina Saldivar  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Joan Grigsby  
**AFFILIATION:** The Learning Center of North Texas

**NAME:** Kathryn Thompson  
**AFFILIATION:** Tarrant Literacy Coalition

**NAME:** Virginia Banks  
**AFFILIATION:** Self

**NAME:** Christa Grant  
**AFFILIATION:** Arlington ISD Family Literacy Program
NAME: Alan A. Dodd  
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jason Beard  
AFFILIATION: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce

NAME: Brisia Rodelas  
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Gabriel Barna  
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Chandra Villanueva  
AFFILIATION: Center for Public Policy Priorities

NAME: Jennifer Slade  
AFFILIATION: East Texas Literacy Council

NAME: Sherry Hudson  
AFFILIATION: Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Fort Worth

NAME: Jennifer Edwards  
AFFILIATION: Literacy Texas

NAME: Nancy Hawa  
AFFILIATION: Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Fort Worth

NAME: Jasmine Pierce  
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Kathryn Melia  
AFFILIATION: Literacy Instruction for Texas (LIFT)

NAME: Greg Robinson  
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Kaitlyn D. Smith  
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jesse Vasquez  
AFFILIATION: Cornerstone Assistance Network

NAME: Martin Loa  
AFFILIATION: Houston Center for Literacy

NAME: Amber Sims  
AFFILIATION: Literacy Instruction for Texas (LIFT)
4. Public Hearing on Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 130, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Career and Technical Education
   (Board agenda page I-529)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Cindy Manzano
AFFILIATION: Texas Council on Economic Education

NAME: Robert Mills and Jeannette Barr
AFFILIATION: Project Management Institute Educational Foundation

NAME: Larry Jeffus
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Sandra West
AFFILIATION: Science Teachers Association of Texas

ACTION ITEM

5. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter G, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2012-2013
   (Second Reading and Final Adoption)
   (Board agenda page I-3)
   [Official agenda item #3]

Shelly Ramos, curriculum division director, stated that the proposed amendments would revise course options under the Minimum High School Program, Recommended High School Program, and Distinguished Achievement Program to add the new Statistics and Algebraic Reasoning courses as options to satisfy a mathematics graduation requirement. Ms. Ramos stated that no public comment on the item had been received.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter G, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2012-2013, with an effective date of August 24, 2015.

DISCUSSION ITEM

6. Discussion of Pending Litigation
   (Board agenda page I-531)

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

Mrs. Bahorich adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.