

STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 11, 2015 AT 9:00 AM
1701 N. CONGRESS AVE. ROOM 1-104

1. Call to Order

The State Board for Educator Certification convened its meeting at 9:03 a.m. on Friday, December 11, 2015, in Room 1-104 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue in Austin, Texas.

Present: Dr. Cain, Mr. Allard, Mr. Berry, Ms. Bricker, Ms. Druesedow, Ms. Everest, Mr. Leal, Ms. McCall, Dr. Peebles, Dr. Simpson

Absent: Ms. Bridges, Dr. Buckingham, Dr. Hull, Ms. Robison

2. Associate Commissioner's Comments Regarding the SBEC Agenda

Mr. Franklin thanked the SBEC Committee on Educator Discipline that met on Thursday for all of their hard work. He also mentioned that with a few absences, the Board needs eight members present to maintain a quorum. On rule items, Mr. Franklin would like to let staff give some context on the item before taking public testimony.

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to Approve October 16, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve the October 16, 2015 minutes. Second was made by Ms. Druesedow, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

5. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Election of State Board for Educator Certification Officers

Ms. Pogue presented this item to the Board.

Board Chair: Mr. Allard nominated Dr. Cain for Chair of the Board. Second was made by Ms. Bricker. No other nominations were received and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the election of Dr. Cain.

Board Vice-Chair: Ms. Everest nominated Ms. McCall. Ms. McCall nominated Ms. Druesedow.

Ms. McCall: voted for: Ms. Everest and Ms. Druesedow; opposed: Mr. Allard, Ms. McCall, Ms. Bricker, Mr. Leal, Dr. Cain. The nomination did not pass.

For Ms. Druesedow: voted for: Dr. Cain, Ms. McCall, Mr. Allard, Ms. Bricker, Mr. Leal; opposed: Ms. Druesedow. Ms. Druesedow is elected Vice-Chair.

Board Secretary: Ms. Bricker nominated Mr. Leal. Ms. Druesedow nominated Ms. McCall.

Mr. Leal: voted for: Ms. Bricker and Mr. Leal; opposed: Ms. Everest, Mr. Allard, Ms. McCall, Ms. Druesedow, Dr. Cain. The nomination did not pass.

Ms. McCall: voted for: Ms. Everest, Mr. Allard, Ms. McCall, Ms. Druesedow, Dr. Cain; opposed: Mr. Leal, Ms. Bricker. Ms. McCall is elected Secretary.

6. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to Approve Classroom Teacher Standards Advisory Committee Members

Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board with a request to approve the recommendations of membership to the Teacher Standards Advisory Committee. The committee would explore alternatives to the current process for development, review, and approval of educator standards, which define educator preparation program (EPP) and certification testing requirements.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. McCall to approve the members of the Classroom Teacher Standards Advisory Committee as presented. Second was made by Ms. Everest, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

7. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Approval of a Change to the 2015-2018 Rule Review Plan for State Board for Educator Certification Rules

Ms. Pogue presented this item to the Board. The proposed change to the rule review plan moves the review of Chapter 239 from March 2017 to April 2016. This change was requested by the Board at the October 2015 SBEC meeting.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Everest to approve the proposed change to the 2015-2018 Rule Review Plan for State Board for Educator Certification Rules. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

8. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Adoption of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 242, Superintendent Certificate, §242.20, Requirements for the Issuance of the Standard Superintendent Certificate

Mr. Regal presented this item to the Board. This item was brought back to the SBEC for consideration after rejection by the State Board of Education (SBOE).

Public comment was provided by Holly Eaton of Texas Classroom Teachers Association, Dr. Catheryn Weitman of Texas A&M International University, Peter Pape representing himself, Johnny Veselka of Texas Association of School Administrators, and Kate Kuhlmann of the Association of Texas Professional Educators.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker: Because the State Board of Education rejected the amendment to 19 TAC §242.20 that the State Board for Educator Certification adopted at its October meeting, that amendment will not take effect. Therefore, I move that the Board adopt §242.20, as published in the September 4, 2015 issue of the Texas Register, with changes contained in today's substitute text. Second was made by Ms. Everest. Voted in favor: Dr. Cain, Mr. Leal, Ms. Bricker, Ms. Everest, Ms. Druessedow; voted against: Ms. McCall, Mr. Allard. The motion carried.

9. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Adoption of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 227, Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates

Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to adopt proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 227, Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates. The proposed revisions would update the rules to reflect current law, clarify minimum standards for all EPPs, allow for flexibility, and ensure consistency among EPPs in the state

Public comment was provided by Scott Fikes of Education Career Alternatives Program (ECAP), Dr. Diann Huber of iteachTEXAS, Michael Marder representing himself, Dr. Larry Abraham of UTeach Natural Sciences, and Dr. Rae Queen of ACT San Antonio.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Everest to adopt, subject to State Board of Education review, the revisions to Chapter 227 as published in the Texas Register with changes as shown in the meeting notebook and in the substitute text presented today. Second was made by Ms. McCall, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

10. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments, Subchapter D, Electives, Disciplinary Courses, Local Credit Courses, and Innovative Courses, Grades 6-12 Assignments, and Subchapter E, Grades 9-12 Assignments

Ms. Cook presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss and propose amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments, Subchapter D, Electives, Disciplinary Courses, Local Credit Courses, and Innovative Courses, Grades 6-12 Assignments, and Subchapter E, Grades 9-12 Assignments. The proposed amendments to 19 TAC §§231.5, 231.11, 231.77, 231.91, 231.209, 231.253, 231.257, 231.333, 231.335, 231.337, 231.481, 231.483, 231.489, and 231.579 would clarify the appropriate credential for placement in a particular teaching assignment and implement applicable requirements from the 84th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2015.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Druesedow to approve for publication in the Texas Register the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments, Subchapter D, Electives, Disciplinary Courses, Local Credit Courses, and Innovative Courses, Grades 6-12 Assignments, and Subchapter E, Grades 9-12 Assignments, as presented. Second was made by Ms. Everest, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

11. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates

Ms. Cook presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss and propose revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates. The proposed amendments to 19 TAC §§233.1, 233.3-233.5, 233.7, 233.10, 233.14, and 233.15 would update the list of classroom certificates that either are eligible for issuance or that would continue to be recognized if they were issued prior to being phased out. Proposed new 19 TAC §233.17 would establish a new Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps: Grades 6-12 certificate.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Leal to approve for publication in the Texas Register the proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, as presented. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

12. Update and Report of the SBEC Board Committee on Educator Discipline

Ms. Druesedow presented an update and report of the Committee on Educator Discipline, noting that the Committee had voted to recommend to the full board proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, a proposed amendment to the Educator Disciplinary Sanction Policy, and that the Board do a written delegation of authority to informally dispose of educator discipline cases to the Associate Commissioner for Educator Leadership and Quality.

No action taken.

13. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter A, General Provisions, §249.5, Purpose; Policy Governing Disciplinary Proceedings; Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.17, Decision-Making Guidelines; and Subchapter D, Hearing Procedures, §249.35, Disposition Prior to Hearing; Default

Ms. Moriaty presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss and propose amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter A, General Provisions, §249.5, Purpose; Policy Governing Disciplinary Proceedings; Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary

Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.17, Decision-Making Guidelines; and Subchapter D, Hearing Procedures, §249.35, Disposition Prior to Hearing; Default. The proposed amendments would create more specific penalty guidelines for TEA staff to follow in settling or prosecuting educator discipline cases. In addition, the proposed amendments would set out the process that the SBEC will use when the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) dismisses and remands a case in accordance with Texas Government Code, §2001.058(d-1), as amended by House Bill (HB) 2154, 84th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, after a respondent fails to appear for a contested case hearing.

Public comment was provided by Julie Leahy of the Texas Classroom Teachers Association.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Leal to approve for publication in the Texas Register, the proposed amendments, as presented in substitute text, to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter A, General Provisions, §249.5, Purpose; Policy Governing Disciplinary Proceedings; Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.17, Decision-Making Guidelines, and Subchapter D, Hearing Procedures, §249.35, Disposition Prior to Hearing; Default. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

14. Consider and Take Appropriate Action to Approve State Board for Educator Certification Disciplinary Policy

Ms. Moriarty presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss and vote on a revision to the State Board for Educator Certification Disciplinary Sanction Policy. The change reflects the Committee on Educator Discipline's recommendation that the SBEC order rehabilitation, counseling or training programs in educator discipline cases wherever appropriate, and 19 TAC §249.15(a)(5), which allows the SBEC to impose any conditions or restrictions upon a certificate that the SBEC deems necessary to facilitate the rehabilitation and professional development of the educator or to protect students, parents of students, school personnel, or school officials.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Leal to approve the changes to the State Board for Educator Certification Disciplinary Policy. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

15. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Written Delegation of Settlement Authority for Educator Discipline Cases to the Commissioner of Education

Ms. Moriarty presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss and vote on whether to delegate the SBEC's authority to informally dispose of contested cases involving educator discipline. Ms. Moriarty presented the recommendation of the Committee on Educator Discipline, which had voted to recommend that the Board delegate the authority to the Associate Commissioner for Educator Leadership and Quality or his designee.

Public comment was provided by Julie Leahy of the Texas Classroom Teachers Association.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. McCall to approve the resolution delegating to the Associate Commissioner of Educator Leadership and Quality the authority of the State Board for Educator Certification to informally dispose of contested cases involving educator certification. Second was made by Mr. Allard, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The SBEC Board recessed at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened at 11:43 a.m.

16. Pending or Contemplated Litigation, including Disciplinary Cases and Agreed Orders

A. Defaults

1. In the Matter of Nekeeta Borden; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

2. In the Matter of Ashley Jameson; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

3. In the Matter of Amy Kent; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

4. In the Matter of Marissa Lowe; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

5. In the Matter of Kimberly Diane Parker; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

6. In the Matter of Nicholas W. Pavlow; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

7. In the Matter of Carmen Rios; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

8. In the Matter of Dawn T. Thorton; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment.

Staff recommendation: 1 Year Suspension

9. In the Matter of Hope Ann Armstrong; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

10. In the Matter of Bridgette Michelle Henry; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

11. In the Matter of Kwana McDaniel; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

12. In the Matter of Edith Fabiola Ramirez; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

13. In the Matter of Adrian Martinez; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

14. In the Matter of Shelby Annette Martinez; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

15. In the Matter of Rachel Ferree Watson; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 3 Year Suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

17. In the Matter of William Edward Higgins; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

19. In the Matter of Terrence White; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

20. In the Matter of Adriana R. Estevis; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

21. In the Matter of Helen Denise Pouncey; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 4 Year Suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

22. In the Matter of Brian Townsend; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 5 Year Suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

24. In the Matter of Daniel C. Williams; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

25. In the Matter of Donnia Harris; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

29. In the Matter of Julio Cruz; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

30. In the Matter of Christopher James Thompson; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

31. In the Matter of Jonathan Vance; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

32. In the Matter of Maria Irene Ramirez; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

33. In the Matter of Brandon Coats; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

34. In the Matter of Jennifer Adkins; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

35. In the Matter of Michael McLellan; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

36. In the Matter of Daniel Valdez; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

37. In the Matter of Amie Naranjo; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

38. In the Matter of Adam-Michael Billy; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Leal Motion to approve staff's request for issuance of default judgments and to enter a final order consistent with staff's recommendation for each of the above numbered cases 1-38, except numbers 16, 18, 23, 26, 27, and 28, with number 33 changed to permanent revocation. Second was made by Ms. Everest, and the motion carried, with Dr. Cain recusing herself.

The following were considered individually:

16. In the Matter of Olita Nixon Whiteside; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 4 Year Suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve staff's request for issuance of default judgment and enter a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Everest, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

18. In the Matter of Shonda DeLaTorre (Warren); Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 4 Year Suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve staff's request for issuance of default judgment and enter a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Druesedow, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

23. In the Matter of Flicka Colleen Croley (Marshall); Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve staff's request for issuance of default judgment and enter a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Everest, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

26. In the Matter of Maryanne Deveau; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve staff's request for issuance of a default judgment and to enter a final order of permanent revocation. Second was made by Mr. Allard, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

27. In the Matter of Ruby H. Gunner; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve staff's request for issuance of a default judgment and to enter a final order of permanent revocation. Second was made by Ms. Everest, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

28. In the Matter of Sophia Rivas; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve staff's request for issuance of a default judgment and to enter a final order of permanent revocation. Second was made by Mr. Leal, and the motion carried, with Ms. Druesedow voting against.

B. Agreed Orders

I. Investigations

1. In the Matter of Mason L. Adams
2. In the Matter of Virginia Lee Austin
3. In the Matter of Ary H Bolanos
4. In the Matter of Link Eckhardt Chalon
5. In the Matter of Michael Cooney
6. In the Matter of Robert Girgis
7. In the Matter of Raul Hernandez
8. In the Matter of Jeffrey L. Laroux
9. In the Matter of Betty Ann Nelson
10. In the Matter of Michele R Rouse
11. In the Matter of Javier Francisco Soriano
12. In the Matter of Briana Claire Streit
13. In the Matter of Juan Jose Albarran
14. In the Matter of Martin R. Benitez
15. In the Matter of Bryan O'neal Bowling

16. In the Matter of Heather Marie Harvey
17. In the Matter of Joe Mendez
18. In the Matter of Kayla Collier
19. In the Matter of Jane Carolyn Foltyn
20. In the Matter of Charles Gray
21. In the Matter of Juan Luna-Gaona
22. In the Matter of Brandon Pedraza
23. In the Matter of Damon Cole

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Leal to approve agreed final orders, Investigations, numbers 1-23 as presented. Second was made by Ms. McCall, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

II. Legal

1. In the Matter of Dana Azar
2. In the Matter of Christopher Bean
3. In the Matter of James W. Bell
4. In the Matter of John Biros
5. In the Matter of Anna J. Bussell
6. In the Matter of Katie Chapman
7. In the Matter of Stacey Fivecoat
8. In the Matter of Karen Graham
9. In the Matter of Hannah Green
10. In the Matter of Patricia Jones
11. In the Matter of Edith Martinez
12. In the Matter of Nathan Nicholas
13. In the Matter of Kelley Raborn

14. In the Matter of Brandi Van Huss
15. In the Matter of Carol Ann Wilson
16. In the Matter of Linda Young
17. In the Matter of Rosa Elva Perez
18. In the Matter of Thea Clarice Thompson
19. In the Matter of Leo Cavazos
20. In the Matter of Arthur Hicks
21. In the Matter of Carl Williams
22. In the Matter of Elise Ramson
23. In the Matter of Jeannie L. Carter
24. In the Matter of Leicha Shaver
25. In the Matter of Kevin DeJuan Joyner
26. In the Matter of Carl Byers

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Leal to approve agreed final orders, Legal, numbers 1-26 as presented. Second was made by Ms. Druesedow, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

C. Contested Cases

I. Proposals for Decision

Docket No. 701153927.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. Betty Jean Lyons; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: 3 year suspension concurrent with period of community supervision

Staff Recommendation: Same

Mr. Duncan spoke on behalf of TEA. Ms. Lyons spoke on her own behalf.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Everest accept the proposal for decision and issue a final order consistent with the ALJ's recommendation of 3 year suspension concurrent with period of community supervision. Second was made by Mr. Leal, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

II. Motions for Rehearing

None.

D. Court Cases

For information. No action taken.

I. District Court Cases

1. Barry Ryan Davis v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. D-1-GN-12003413, In the 201st District Court of Travis County, Texas.
2. Elizabeth Kiel v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. B-192236, In the 60th District Court of Jefferson County, Texas.

II. Appellate Cases

1. State Board for Educator Certification v. Robert D. Lange; Cause No. 031200453-CV, In the Court of Appeals, Third Judicial District, Austin, Texas.
2. State Board for Educator Certification v. Erasmo Montalvo; Cause No. 031300370-CV, In the Court of Appeals, Third Judicial District, Austin, Texas.

17. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 228, Requirements for Educator Preparation Programs

Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 228, Requirements for Educator Preparation Programs. Dr. Miller provided an update and status to allow the Board to discuss possible amendments to the rules as the result of recent legislative changes, SBEC input, stakeholder input, and input received from staff at TEA.

Public comment was provided by Scott Fikes of ECAP, Michael Marder representing himself, Dr. Diann Huber of iteachTEXAS, Cynthia Cummings of Lamar University, Adam Jones of National Math and Science Initiative, Sharon Fikes of ECAP, Dr. Larry Abraham of UTeach Natural Sciences, Sharon Evans of UT Austin, and JP Lund of Texas Teachers.

No action taken.

18. Discussion of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 229, Accountability System for Educator Preparation Programs

Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 229, Accountability System for Educator Preparation Programs. Dr. Miller provided an update and status to allow the Board to discuss possible revisions to the rules as the result of recent legislative changes, Board input, stakeholder input, and input received from staff at TEA.

Public comment was provided by Scott Fikes of ECAP, Dr. Diann Huber of iteachTEXAS, JP Lund of Texas Teachers, and Dr. Catheryn Weitman of Texas A&M International University.

No action taken.

Ms. Bricker left at 2:54 p.m.

19. Discussion of Proposed Changes to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification

Ms. Cook and Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss possible changes to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification. Chapter 230 provides information relating to general provisions; general certification requirements; assessment of educators; types and classes of certificates issued; educational aide certificates; permits; certificate issuance procedures; and Texas educator certificates based on certification and college credentials from other states or territories of the United States.

Public comment was provided by Sharon Fikes of ECAP.

No action taken.

20. Discussion of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions

Ms. Cook and Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss the provisions in 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions. Ms. Cook and Dr. Miller provided an update and status to allow the Board to discuss possible revisions to the rules as the result of recent legislative changes, Board input, stakeholder input, and input received from staff at TEA.

No action taken.

21. Discussion of Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 234, Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans

Ms. Cook and Dr. Miller presented this item to the Board as an opportunity to discuss proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 234, Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans. The proposed new chapter would address recent legislation, consolidate rules specific to the military community into one chapter, and streamline future military-related rulemaking opportunities.

No action taken.

22. Discussion of 19 TAC Chapter 241, Principal Certificate, §241.15, Standards Required for the Principal Certificate

Mr. Regal presented for discussion potential changes to 19 TAC Chapter 241, Principal Certificate, §241.15, Standards Required for the Principal Certificate.

No action taken.

23. Update on Educator Investigations

Mr. Phillips presented this item to the Board, updating the Board on educator discipline cases handled by the Educator Investigations department during the first quarter of the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

No action taken.

24. Update on Legal Contested Case Docket

Ms. Moriaty presented this item to the Board, updating the Board on contested cases handled by the Division of Legal Services during the first quarter of the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

No action taken.

25. Board Operating Policies and Procedures (BOPP)

For information only.

26. Requests from Board Members for Future Agenda Items

None.

27. Requests Received from the Board Since Last Meeting

None.

28. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 p.m.