## Item 20:

## Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Amendments to the Board Operating Policies and Procedures Relating to the Committee on Agreed Orders for Educator Discipline

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

**SUMMARY:** This item provides the SBEC the opportunity to adopt changes to the Board Operating Policies and Procedures (BOPP) to set procedures for the committee that the SBEC voted to form at the June 2015 meeting to review and make recommendations on agreed orders relating to educator discipline. It also provides an opportunity for the SBEC to update the BOPP to comport with recent statutory changes.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** Texas Education Code 21.041(a) authorizes the Board to adopt rules as necessary for its own procedures. The statutory authority for the SBEC's discipline of educators includes Texas Education Code §21.031 and §21.041.

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:** At the June 2015 meeting, the SBEC voted to create a committee to review agreed orders and make recommendations to the full board.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:** The full text of the BOPP including the proposed amendments will be distributed separately prior to the SBEC meeting. The SBEC's BOPP allows the board to establish regular, standing, temporary, or advisory committees as it may deem appropriate to perform such functions as it may designate. The BOPP also provides for the Board Chairperson to appoint an appropriate number of members to serve on the committees, including one to serve as presiding officer.

MOTION TO BE CONSIDERED: The State Board for Educator Certification:

Approve the proposed changes to its BOPP regarding policies and procedures for the committee on agreed orders for educator discipline.

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