

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on Instruction  
Thursday, November 18, 2021**

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 9:10 a.m. on Thursday, November 18, 2021, in Room #1-100 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present: Sue Melton-Malone, chair; Rebecca Bell-Metereau; Pam Little; Georgina C. Pérez; Audrey Young, vice-chair

**Public Testimony**

The Committee on Instruction received no presentations of public testimony.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter D, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2001-2002, and Subchapter E, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2004-2005 (First Reading and Filing Authorization)**  
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Shelly Ramos, senior director, curriculum standards and student support division, explained that the proposed repeals would remove high school graduation requirements that are outdated and no longer necessary.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Dr. Young, seconded by Mrs. Little, and carried without objection to recommend that the State Board of Education suspend the board operating procedures in accordance with 5.2(a) to allow consideration at first reading and filing authorization and approve for first reading and filing authorization the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter D, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2001-2002, and Subchapter E, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2004-2005.*

- 2. Adoption of Review of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements**  
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Jessica Snyder, special projects director, curriculum standards and student support division, explained that Texas Government Code (TGC), §2001.039, establishes a four-year rule review cycle for all state agency rules, including State Board of Education (SBOE) rules. Ms. Snyder further explained that this item presents the review of SBOE rules in 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, and provided a summary of the two public comments that had been received.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Little, seconded by Dr. Young, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education adopt the review of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements.*

**3. Approval of Updates and Substitutions to Adopted Instructional Materials**  
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Amie Williams, director, instructional materials review and procurement, explained that Cheng & Tsui was requesting approval to substitute updated versions for three of its adopted Chinese products and that state review panel members had reviewed the requested substitutions. She also explained that Learning A–Z was requesting approval to update content for one adopted product and that curriculum staff had reviewed the requested changes.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Dr. Young, seconded by Mrs. Little, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve the request from Cheng & Tsui to substitute updated versions of its adopted products Integrated Chinese, Level 1 Part 2 - 3rd Edition textbook and workbook, Integrated Chinese Level 2, Part 1 - 3rd Edition textbook and workbook, Integrated Chinese Level 2, Part 2 - 3rd Edition textbook and workbook, and approve the request from Learning A–Z to update content in its adopted product Raz Plus ELL Texas Edition, grades 1–5.*

**4. Proposed Approval of Innovative Courses**  
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The committee did not receive any applications for approval and no action was taken on this item.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 9:22 a.m.