

Item 4:
**Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to
Approve February 22, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

ACTION

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the February 22, 2019 Board meeting minutes.

STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION MEETING AGENDA

FEBRUARY 22, 2019 AT 8:30 AM
1701 N. CONGRESS AVE. ROOM 1-104

The Board will meet in open session and after determining the presence of a quorum, deliberate and possibly take formal action, including emergency action, on any of the following agenda items:

1. Call to Order

The State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) convened its meeting at 8:34 AM on Friday, February 22, 2019, in Room 1-104 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue in Austin, Texas.

Present: Ms. Laurie Bricker, Ms. Rohanna Brooks-Sykes, Dr. Arturo Cavazos, Mr. Tommy Coleman, Ms. Jill Druesedow, Dr. Edward Hill, Dr. John Kelly, Ms. Sandie Mullins, Dr. Rex Peebles, Mr. Jose Rodriguez, Mr. Carlos Villagrana, Mr. Martin Winchester.

Absent: Ms. Sandra Bridges, Ms. Courtney MacDonald, and Dr. Laurie Turner.

2. Associate Commissioner's Comments Regarding the SBEC Agenda

Associate Commissioner Ryan Franklin welcomed the members to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. Mr. Franklin welcomed the new members and recognized their passion for improving outcomes for Texas students. He also introduced new Texas Education Agency staff members, Katie Allen and Beth Burkhart. Mr. Franklin also thanked Kameryn McCain for her ongoing efforts to support the team.

3. Public Comment

The Board shall allocate up to thirty (30) minutes at the beginning of each regularly scheduled meeting of the full Board for public comment on non-agenda and consent agenda items. In accordance with SBEC Board Operating Policies and Procedures, late registration for providing oral or written comment will be accepted up to 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the Board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to Approve December 7, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

The December 7, 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION**5. Update on Divisions of Educator Leadership and Quality Department**

Ms. Cook presented updates on behalf of the Division of Educator Certification and highlighted the number of certification and renewal applications processed during the first quarter months of September through November 2018.

Ms. Wu presented updates on behalf of the Division of Educator Standards, Testing, and Preparation. She highlighted the number of Principal as Instructional Leader pilot test takers and educator preparation applications.

Ms. Moriarty presented updates on behalf of the SBEC Enforcement Division. She highlighted that contract abandonment cases were up significantly during the first quarter of fiscal year 2019.

Mr. Rodriguez presented updates on behalf of the Division of Educator Investigations. He highlighted that the number of cases has continued to increase in FY19. He also answered questions about how the division categorizes certain types of cases.

6. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 235, Classroom Teacher Certification Standards, Subchapter F, Supplemental Certificate Standards

Ms. Wu presented this item to the Board. She described the activities that had occurred since the advisory committee was approved in the October meeting. Since then, the committee has met with TEA staff to draft the educator standards. This draft of standards included updates based on new research in language acquisition and culturally responsive teaching.

Mr. Rodriguez commented that he appreciated the language around the role of a student's primary language as an asset.

Dr. Cavazos asked about the next steps regarding timeline of test development. The next steps will include a test framework committee and item development. The anticipated launch date of the updated English as a Second Language, EC-12 Supplemental certification examination is September 1, 2021.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve the proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 235, Classroom Teacher Certification Standards, Subchapter F, Supplemental Certificate Standards, to be published as proposed in the Texas Register. Second was made by Dr. Cavazos, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

7. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed Review of 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions and Contested Cases

Ms. Moriarty presented this item to the Board. She explained that Texas Government Code, §2001.039, establishes a four-year rule review cycle for all state agency rules, and that this

item presented for SBEC approval the proposal of the review of 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, for publication in the *Texas Register*. TAC Chapter 249 sets out SBEC's authority and procedures for sanctioning certified educators and denying certification to unfit applicants.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Coleman to Approve the proposed review of 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, to be published as proposed in the Texas Register. Second was made by Ms. Mullins, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

8. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 241, Certification as Principal, Subchapter B, Principal Certificate, §241.41, General Provisions

Dr. Jones presented this item to the Board. Dr. Jones explained that a clear closing date for the current 068 principal certification program will allow EPPs to complete preparation for those candidates and transition to the new 268 Principal as Instructional Leader certification. He explained that the process for the new principal certification redesign became formalized in August of 2016 when the new principal standards were approved, and discussed the extensive messaging efforts that started in the fall of 2017 and carried through all of 2018. Dr. Jones also presented a status report on the number of educator preparation programs that have been approved to offer the new 268 Principal as Instructional Leader certification as of the SBEC meeting.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Mullins to approve the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 241, Certification as Principal, Subchapter B, Principal Certificate, §241.41, General Provisions, to be published as proposed in the Texas Register. Second was made by Ms. Brooks-Sykes, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

9. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to Approve 2017-2018 Accountability System for Educator Preparation Programs (ASEP) Accreditation Statuses

Ms. Pogue and Dr. Olofson presented this item to the Board. Ms. Pogue explained that this item would allow the Board to approve the 2017-2018 ASEP accreditation statuses for EPPs in Texas. Ms. Pogue reminded the Board of the ASEP indicators that EPPs are held accountable to and their corresponding performance standards as required in SBEC rule. She further explained that of the 133 programs that currently are approved to prepare educators, the Board would be taking action on only 77 of those due to the remaining 56 programs would be left pending until the April 26, 2019 due to recent SBEC rule changes and unpaid ASEP technology fees. Ms. Pogue also explained that 14 EPPs requested an informal review and that the recommended statuses reflect the results of those reviews.

Dr. Olofson explained the process of Indicator 2, the Principal Survey, scoring and calculations. Ms. Pogue explained the process the agency took to support and encourage the high response rate of over 84% response rate. She further explained that there is a

shared-responsibility in bolstering the response rate: the SBEC provides support in providing CPE hours for principals completing the surveys and has the authority in rule to sanction principals for not completing the surveys; TEA staff provides administration of the surveys that includes multiple communication efforts to school districts and principals as well as ongoing support on a daily basis to the school districts and principals to provide technical assistance and support; and EPPs are on the campuses with the HR directors and principals and therefore, have an opportunity to encourage the principals to complete the surveys as well.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to approve the 2017-2018 Accountability System for Educator Preparation Programs accreditation statuses and related sanctions as presented. Second was made by Ms. Mullins, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Public Comment was provided by:
Dr. Rae Queen

10. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to Approve New Class of Certificate at Harris County Department of Education

Dr. Jones presented this item to the Board. Lidia Zatopek, Director and Legal Authority for the program, was present for questions and gave an overview of the proposal to the Board.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Dr. Cavazos to approve the Superintendent class of certificate at Harris County Department of Education as presented. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

11. Annual Review of the Board Operating Policies and Procedures (BOPP)

This item was presented by Ms. Pogue. Ms. Pogue explained that this item was the routine review of the Board Operating Policies and Procedures (BOPP). She explained that the BOPP is an informational item on every agenda and that the Board can request changes to the BOPP at any time.

No action taken.

The SBEC recessed at 10:03 AM.

The SBEC reconvened at 10:14 AM.

DISCIPLINARY CASES

12. Pending or Contemplated Litigation, including Disciplinary Cases

A. Defaults

No Answer Defaults

1. In the Matter of Stanley Alexander, Jr.; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
2. In the Matter of Danielle Brade; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
3. In the Matter of Eretta Yvette Brown Batts; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
5. In the Matter of Maria Guadalupe Cosio; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
7. In the Matter of Joycelyn Thomas Harris; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
8. In the Matter of Raymond Norris Jackson; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
9. In the Matter of Journey Dawn Martinez; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
10. In the Matter of Nuria Miro Bargallo; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Revocation
11. In the Matter of Erika Y. Purnell; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension

13. In the Matter of Luis Daniel Semidey-Ramos; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension
16. In the Matter of Acacia Grothues; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation
20. In the Matter of Julie A. Clark; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation
22. In the Matter of Donald Ray Hamilton; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation
24. In the Matter of Maria Claudia Luevano; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation
25. In the Matter of Michael Scott Schumacher; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation
27. In the Matter of Kevaundre Boyd; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Revocation
28. In the Matter of Christopher Donaldson; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
Staff recommendation: Revocation
30. In the Matter of Jennifer Marie Reeves; 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

31. In the Matter of Alan Rhodes; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
- Staff recommendation: Revocation
32. In the Matter of Gwyn Elizabeth Ramos; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
- Staff recommendation: 2 year suspension
34. In the Matter of Lindsey Sabrina Perales; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
- Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Dr. Cavazos to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered cases 1 – 35, with the exception of 4, 6, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 26, 29, 33, and 35 and issue final orders consistent with staff's recommendation on each of the above numbered cases. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The following cases were considered individually:

6. In the Matter of Christi Darlene Downes; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
- Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Dr. Cavazos to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Mullins, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

15. In the Matter of Charles Bryant Abraham; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment
- Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Dr. Cavazos, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

19. In the Matter of Robert Stone Ryan; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Mullins, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

21. In the Matter of Roland D. Flannel; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 2 year suspension

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order of a two (2) year suspension and proof of successful completion of anger management classes. Second was made by Mr. Coleman, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

26. In the Matter of Robert Matthew Adams; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 2 year suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Coleman to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order of Revocation. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

29. In the Matter of Amber LaShay Miller; 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

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Coleman to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order of Revocation. Second was made by Dr. Cavazos, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

35. In the Matter of Derek M. Smith; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 2 year suspension

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Brooks-Sykes to grant staff's request for Issuance of Default Judgment on the above numbered case and issue a final order of Revocation. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The following cases were pulled by TEA staff and no action was taken:

4. In the Matter of Don E. Broyles; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension

12. In the Matter of Cristal Rodriguez Olsen; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension

14. In the Matter of Diana Valenzuela; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: 1 year suspension

17. In the Matter of Angela Greer Richardson; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

18. In the Matter of Carmen Alicia Rojas; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

23. In the Matter of Edward Charles Lewis; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

33. In the Matter of Paula Kay Barnes; Action to be taken: Consideration of Issuance of Default Judgment

Staff recommendation: Revocation

SOAH Defaults

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

Staff recommendation: 2 year suspension and proof of successful completion of substance abuse treatment program

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

Staff recommendation: Permanent Revocation

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Bricker to grant staff's request for Issuance of SOAH Default Judgment on SOAH Default cases numbered 1 and 3 and enter a final order consistent with staff's recommendation. Second was made by Mr. Coleman, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The following cases were pulled by TEA staff and no action was taken:

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

Staff recommendation: Revocation

B. Contested Cases

Proposals for Decision

1. Docket No. 701184986.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. Alexandria Carraman; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: Inscribed Reprimand

Staff Recommendation: 2 year suspension

Mr. Jonathan Crabtree represented TEA. Respondent represented herself.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Coleman that the Board adopt the Proposal for Decision including Findings of Fact Nos. 1 -- 33 and Conclusions of Law Nos. 1 -- 8.

I move that the Board reject the ALJ's recommended sanction and order that Alexandria Carraman's educator certification is SUSPENDED FOR TWO (2) YEARS.

This modification of sanction is permissible pursuant to Texas Government Code §2001.058(e) and is necessary because the ALJ did not properly apply Board rules and policies when she recommended an inscribed reprimand as the appropriate sanction in this case.

Under the Board's rules, an inscribed reprimand is not sufficient to address the severity of Ms. Carraman's actions.

The ALJ found in Conclusion of Law 6 that Ms. Carraman violated two separate provisions of the Board's rules by violating educator-student boundaries and engaging in inappropriate communications with a student.

Under the factors listed in 19 Texas Administrative Code §249.17(c) that the Board considers when determining sanctions, a two-year suspension is the appropriate sanction in this case.

In Finding of Fact 31, the ALJ found that Respondent's behavior was serious.

A suspension of two years gives Ms. Carraman time to reflect on her past behavior before she resumes teaching, and will thereby reduce the danger that she will cross educator-student boundaries or engage in inappropriate communications with students when she returns to education.

A two-year suspension will also serve to deter other educators from engaging in this sort of inappropriate behavior better than an inscribed reprimand. Second was made by Dr. Cavazos and the motion passed with Mr. Coleman, Dr. Cavazos, Ms. Mullins, and Mr. Rodriguez, voting in favor and Dr. Kelly and Ms. Brooks-Sykes voting against.

2. Docket No. 701184501.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. James Vivian; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: 2 year suspension

Staff Recommendation: Permanent Revocation

Ms. Laura Moriarty represented TEA. Mr. Brandon Brim represented Respondent.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Mr. Coleman that the Board adopt the Proposal for Decision including Findings of Fact Nos. 1 -- 36 and Conclusions of Law Nos. 1 – 8. I move that the Board reject the ALJ's recommended sanction and order that:

JAMES ARTHUR VIVIAN's educator certifications are PERMANENTLY REVOKED.

This modification of sanction is permissible pursuant to Texas Government Code §2001.058(e) and is necessary because the Administrative Law Judge did not properly

apply Board rules and policies when she recommended a suspension as the appropriate sanction in this case.

Under the Board's rules, a suspension is not sufficient to address the severity of Mr. Vivian's actions.

The ALJ found in Conclusion of Law 6 that Mr. Vivian violated three separate provisions of the Board's rules by "engaging in inappropriate communication and becoming emotionally entangled with Student 1 in a manner that exceeded educator-student boundaries and adversely affected Student 1's mental and emotional health."

Under the factors listed in 19 Texas Administrative Code §249.17(c) that the Board considers when determining sanctions, permanent revocation is the appropriate sanction in this case.

Finding of Fact 34 states that Mr. Vivian's conduct was serious.

Findings of Fact 25 and 26 show that Mr. Vivian attempted to conceal his misconduct.

Finding of Fact 36 states that Mr. Vivian's conduct adversely affected Student 1's mental and emotional health.

There is an ongoing potential danger that Mr. Vivian could inflict this same sort of mental and emotional suffering on another student.

Permanent revocation of Mr. Vivian's educator certificate will deter other Texas educators from engaging in inappropriate communications or boundaries with future students. Second was made by Ms. Bricker and the motion passed with Ms. Bricker, Mr. Coleman, Dr. Cavazos, and Dr. Kelly voting in favor and Ms. Brooks-Sykes and Ms. Mullins voting against.

3. Docket No. 701184695.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. Lisa Stokes; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: 1 year suspension

Staff Recommendation: Revocation

Mr. Crabtree represented TEA. Mr. Terry Gorman represented respondent.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Brooks-Sykes to accept the Proposal for Decision and Issue a final order consistent with the ALJ's recommendation. Second was made by Dr. Cavazos, and the motion passed with Ms. Brooks-Sykes, Dr. Cavazos, Ms. Mullins, Mr. Rodriguez, and Dr. Kelly voting in favor and Ms. Bricker voting against the motion.

4. Docket No. 701184922.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. Quinton Abron; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: Permanent Revocation

Staff Recommendation: Accept ALJ Recommendation

Mr. Crabtree represented TEA. Respondent did not appear.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Brooks-Sykes to accept the Proposal for Decision and Issue a final order consistent with the ALJ's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Mullins, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

5. Docket No. 701183992.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. Jose Trujillo; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: Permanent Revocation

Staff Recommendation: Accept ALJ recommendation

Ms. Yvonne Patton represented TEA. Mr. Nicholas Enoch represented Respondent.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Ms. Brooks-Sykes to accept the Proposal for Decision and Issue a final order consistent with the ALJ's recommendation. Second was made by Mr. Coleman, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

6. Docket No. 701185203.EC, Texas Education Agency, Educator Leadership and Quality Division v. Douglas Howard; Action to be taken: Consideration of Proposal for Decision and Issuance of Final Order.

ALJ Recommendation: No disciplinary action be taken

Staff Recommendation: Accept ALJ recommendation

Mr. Crabtree represented TEA. Mr. Brim represented respondent.

Motion and vote:

Motion was made by Dr. Cavazos to accept the Proposal for Decision and Issue a final order consistent with the ALJ's recommendation. Second was made by Ms. Bricker, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

C. Court Cases*District Court Cases*

1. David Turner v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. D-1-GN-17-002298, In the 250th District Court of Travis County, Texas.
2. Joel Trigo v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. D-1-GN-17-006874, In the 459th District Court of Travis County, Texas.
3. Bradley Keith Bowen v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. D-1-GN-18-004203, In the 98th District Court of Travis County, Texas.
4. Blake Tittle v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. D-1-GN-18-007716, In the 345th District Court of Travis County, Texas.
5. Cynthia Maria Garcia v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. D-1-GN-18-007719, In the 250th District Court of Travis County, Texas.
6. Leo Joseph Tran v. Texas Education Agency, Educator Certification and Standards Division; Cause No. 03-18-00855-CV, In the Court of Appeals, Third District of Texas.

The SBEC recessed at 12:00 PM.

The SBEC reconvened at 12:33 PM.

DISCUSSION ONLY**13. Discussion and Update on Teacher Certification Redesign**

Ms. Wu presented this item to the Board and reviewed the key points about the redesign. The first proposed change is to substitute subject-matter only examinations for the Pre-Admission Content Test. The second is to create an optional route for alternative certification and post-baccalaureate candidates that would incentivize pre-service practice. This route is titled intensive pre-service. The third is to pilot a performance-based portfolio assessment, edTPA over the next two academic years in lieu of the current multiple-choice EC-12 Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities examination.

Public Comment was provided by:

Ms. Roxanne Schroeder-Arce

Dr. Laura Trujillo-Jenks

Mr. Milton Perez

Mr. Scott Fikes

Mr. Eric Brown

Dr. Sean Powell

Dr. Michael Vriesenga

Ms. Lindsay Sobel

Dr. Christina Ellis
Ms. Sharon Fikes
Ms. Andrea Lucas
Ms. Elizabeth Ward
Ms. Priscilla Aquino Garza

The SBEC recessed at 2:54 PM.

The SBEC reconvened at 3:00 PM.

Ms. Bricker, Dr. Cavazos, Mr. Coleman, and Ms. Mullins recommended considering a hybrid approach that would include a T-TESS aligned performance assessment.

Dr. Cavazos recommended considering a one-year residency program in addition to other possible solutions.

Staff responded to the request to conduct parallel pilots that with the test development process, a pilot of a hybrid or an updated PPR would not be able to be conducted for another 3-4 academic years.

The Board requested the following information from staff:

- Data from other edTPA states including teacher retention data
- Current status of other edTPA states
- Implementing feedback from testifiers into the potential pilot phase of edTPA
- Feedback from districts regarding initial teacher quality
- Detailed timeline, data collection, and research questions for potential pilot of edTPA

14. Discussion of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 227, Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates, Subchapter A, Admission to Educator Preparation Programs

Ms. Wu and Dr. Jones presented this item to the Board. Ms Wu opened the item by responding to comments made during public testimony and two possible misperceptions that surfaced: (1) the current test to become a teacher of record already contains both content knowledge and content pedagogy, and (2) New York has an educating all students test before the candidate enters the classroom, but also requires a content examination that contains subject matter knowledge and content pedagogy in order to be the teacher in a classroom.

Dr. Jones followed Ms. Wu and presented an overview of the proposed changes that centered on admission requirements. Dr. Jones highlighted the changes regarding the Pre-Admission Content Test (PACT) that would allow a content certification exam or a subject-matter only exam to be taken for admission purposes and discussed reasons why PACT is important (it is unfair to be expected to demonstrate content pedagogy knowledge before having begun their studies in a program, and that PACT better mirrors the coursework requirement). Additional changes discussed included new definitions that distinguish between what is required for admission at the beginning of a program (content certification examination) and what is required for certification at the end of a program (content pedagogy examination). The proposed changes mean that any student can PACT if they achieve a passing score on a content certification examination prior to admission. A date for

the proposed changes was provided, January 1, 2020, but there has been a recommendation to push the start date out to September 1, 2020. Dr. Jones then reviewed the Figure that lists all the initial certification areas in one column of the figure and the pre-admission content test that should be taken in the next column. Dr. Jones closed the presentation on Chapter 227 by highlighting admission requirements for the Trade and Industrial Workforce Training Grades 6-12 certificate and the Early Childhood through Grade 3 (EC-3) certificate and showed the alignment to the appropriate recent legislation by the Texas Legislature.

Staff received two recommendations from the field recently to consider a September 1, 2019 implementation date and to consider creating a pre-service summative examination to replace the current content test as a requirement for an intern certificate.

Ms. Bricker suggested that the wording in §Chapter 227.1(b) be changed to “Educator preparation programs are required to inform all applicants . . .” so that programs be required to inform applicants that a criminal record will make them ineligible for certification.

Public Comment was provided by:

Mr. Eric Brown

Mr. Scott Fikes

15. Discussion of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 228, Requirements for Educator Preparation Programs

Ms. Wu and Dr. Jones presented this item to the Board. Dr. Jones explained that there were three proposed changes in the chapter for discussion, with the first involving creating a definition for intensive preservice and highlighting the importance of intensive pre-service in that it incentivizes alternative certification programs (ACPs) and post-baccalaureate programs to have candidates teach students in supervised settings with coaching prior to becoming the official teacher of record in a classroom. Dr. Jones then walked the board through a new section in Chapter 228.33 that lists the programmatic requirements for intensive pre-service. Additionally, Dr. Jones highlighted that the proposed changes provide guidance for issuing an intern and probationary certificates while participating in intensive pre-service.

Dr. Jones then explained the second proposed change, which involved language to guide programs that have changed ownership and where new ownership desires a new name for the program. He mentioned that this request came from the field because current rule does not address name change for programs. He explained that guidance to programs in the area is important because of the need to maintain the integrity of the accreditation system and to prevent programs from confusing the public with frequent name changes.

Dr. Jones closed his presentation by presenting the third proposed change in Chapter 228 that addresses candidates seeking certification in two fields. Current rule only addresses having clinical teaching with support in one certification field. This revision ensures that the candidate will have supervision and support in the both certification fields.

Mr. Villagrana asked if there were requirements ensuring that a candidate’s intensive pre-service placement match their certification area. Ms. Wu responded and stated that was not currently in the draft requirements.

16. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter A, General Provisions, Subchapter C, Assessment of Educators, Subchapter D, Types and Classes of Certificates Issued, §230.36. Intern Certificates and §230.37. Probationary Certificates and Subchapter G, Certificate Issuance Procedures, §230.101. Schedule of Fees for Certification Services

Ms. Wu presented this item to the Board. This item provides proposed revisions that align with item 13, the discussion of the teacher certification redesign. This item includes proposed revisions that apply to the potential edTPA pilot, the proposed intensive pre-service route found in item 14, and the Principal as Instructional Leader certification.

Public Comment was provided by:
Mr. Eric Brown

17. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments

Ms. Cook presented this item to the Board. She stated Chapter 231 guides school districts for how to place teachers into various teaching and administrative assignments. Ms. Cook briefly referenced the high-level bulleted information on pages two through four that identifies changes to be presented to the Board in more detail at the April 2019 SBEC meeting. Ms. Cook summarized the rule changes included in Attachment II fell into three categories: State Board of Education (SBOE)-approved courses, technical edits, and proposed removal of vintage rule text for educators certified between the years of 1962 through 1966. There were no questions from the Board.

INFORMATION ONLY

18. 2019 - 2022 Rule Review Plan for State Board for Educator Certification Rules

19. Requests from Board Members for Future Agenda Items

20. Requests Received from the Board Since Last Meeting

21. Adjournment

Ms. Druesedow adjourned the meeting at 4:10 PM.

The Board may go into closed session regarding any item on the agenda to the extent it is authorized to do so pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.