

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on Instruction  
September 13, 2018**

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, September 13, 2018, 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; Geraldine Miller, vice chair; Donna Bahorich; Erika Beltran; Georgina C. Pérez

**Public Testimony**

The Committee on Instruction received no presentations of public testimony.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses, §113.69, Other Courses for which Students May Receive Social Studies Credit, and §113.70, Concurrent Enrollment in College Courses**  
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page II-1)  
[Official agenda item #6]

Shelly Ramos, senior director, curriculum standards and student support, explained that this item would repeal rules that are outdated and no longer necessary.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Ms. Beltran, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for second reading and final adoption the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses, §113.70, Concurrent Enrollment in College Courses; and make an affirmative finding that immediate adoption of the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses, §113.70, Concurrent Enrollment in College Courses, is necessary and shall have an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.*

*(Mrs. Bahorich was absent for the vote.)*

2. **Approval of Proposed Updates to the *Dyslexia Handbook, Procedures Concerning Dyslexia and Related Disorders, Revised 2014***  
(Board agenda page II-9)  
[Official agenda item #7]

Mrs. Melton-Malone stated that this item was originally scheduled as an action item but is presented for discussion only. Monica Martinez, associate commissioner, standards and support services, explained that additional time was needed to post and collect feedback on the draft recommendations for updates to the handbook. Ms. Martinez further explained that recommendations will be finalized in time for the board to take action on the handbook at the November 2018 meeting. Ms. Martinez confirmed that, if approved at the next meeting, updates to the *Dyslexia Handbook* will be effective immediately and available to school districts this fall.

3. **Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.28, Students with Dyslexia and Related Disorders**  
(First Reading and Filing Authorization)  
(Board agenda page II-15)  
[Official agenda item #8]

Ms. Martinez explained that this item was contingent upon the approval of the *Dyslexia Handbook*. Since the handbook was not yet approved, the committee took no action on this item.

4. **Proposed Approval of Innovative Courses**  
(Board agenda page II-23)  
[Official agenda item #9]

Ms. Ramos explained that this item recommended approval of an innovative course that does not fall within any of the subject areas of the foundation or enrichment curriculum: International Baccalaureate (IB) Theory of Knowledge.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Bahorich, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for a period of five years the innovative course that does not fall within any of the subject areas of the foundation or enrichment curriculum: IB Theory of Knowledge.*

#### **CONSENT ITEM**

5. **Approval of Proposed Timeline to Meet Credit by Examination Provider Requirements**  
(Board agenda page II-29)  
[Consent agenda item #(2)]

Ms. Martinez explained that this proposal is related to an action, from the prior meeting, that allows the credit by examination (CBE) provider to request additional implementation time to meet administrative rule requirements.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Bahorich, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve the proposed timeline submitted by Texas Tech University to meet credit by examination provider requirements in accordance with §74.24 (c)(5).*

#### **ACTION ITEM**

6. **Consideration of Petition for Adoption of Rule Concerning a Requirement for School Uniforms**  
(Board agenda page II-37)  
[Official agenda item #10]

Chris Maska, ethics senior counsel, legal services, explained that this item requires the board to consider the petition to adopt a rule requiring that all Texas students wear school uniforms.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Beltran, seconded by Mrs. Miller, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education deny the petition for adoption of a rule requiring all Texas students to wear school uniforms because the State Board of Education does not have jurisdiction or authority to propose or adopt the petitioned rule.*

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

**7. Discussion of the Texas Lesson Study Professional Development Program and Resources**  
(Board agenda page II-43)

Ms. Martinez provided an introduction to the Texas Lesson Study (TXLS) professional development program and the commissioner's request for SBOE review and approval of TXLS resources.

Blair Claussen, project manager for the TXLS professional development program, provided an overview presentation and explained that TXLS resources will be posted on the Texas Gateway. Ms. Claussen further explained that the board will have the opportunity to ratify the first set of TXLS resources at the November 2018 meeting.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 10:15 a.m.