

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee of the Full Board
July 14, 2015**

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 1:12 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, in the State Board of Education Room, #1-104, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. The following members of the committee were present:

Presiding: Donna Bahorich, chair; Lawrence A. Allen, Jr.; Erika Beltran; David Bradley; Barbara Cargill; Martha M. Dominguez; Pat Hardy; Sue Melton-Malone; Ken Mercer; Geraldine “Tincy” Miller; Thomas Ratliff; Marty Rowley

Absent: Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Tom Maynard; Marisa B. Perez

Public Testimony

This item provides an opportunity for the public to present testimony at the time the related item comes up for committee discussion or action. The procedures for registering and taking public testimony at State Board of Education committee meetings and general board meetings are provided at [http://tea.texas.gov/About TEA/Leadership/State Board of Education/SBOE Meetings/SBOE Operating Rules Amended 4-17-15/](http://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Leadership/State_Board_of_Education/SBOE_Meetings/SBOE_Operating_Rules_Amended_4-17-15/) or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

The Committee of the Full Board heard public testimony on agenda items #3 and #4. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

CONSENT ITEM

1. Approval of Nominees to Recommend to the Governor for Service on the Board of Trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas

(Board agenda page I-1)
[Consent agenda item #(1)]

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mrs. Melton-Malone, and carried unanimously that the State Board of Education approve the list of three nominees: Carlotta Allen, John Osborn, and Christopher Moss, to be submitted to the governor for consideration of one appointment to the board of trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, for a six year term of office expiring on August 31, 2021. (Mr. Allen, Mr. Mercer, and Mr. Ratliff were absent for the vote.)*

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Ethics Training

(Board agenda page I-485)

Board members were provided with copies of the *Permanent School Fund Ethics Handbook* and *A Guide to Ethics Laws for State Officers and Employees*, and received a briefing by Christopher Maska, TEA ethics advisor, regarding ethical requirements and issues.

3. Public Hearing on the Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency
(Board agenda page I-527)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Lynda Webb
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Dale E. Pillow
AFFILIATION: Adult Reading Center

NAME: Dalerie Lamphere
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jon Engel
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Elizabeth Luna
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Sarah Stannard
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Alayna Sublette
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Lester Meriwether
AFFILIATION: Literacy Connexus, Inc.

NAME: Tonia Garner
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Cristina Saldivar
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Joan Grigsby
AFFILIATION: The Learning Center of North Texas

NAME: Kathryn Thompson
AFFILIATION: Tarrant Literacy Coalition

NAME: Virginia Banks
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Christa Grant
AFFILIATION: Arlington ISD Family Literacy Program

NAME: Alan A. Dodd
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jason Beard
AFFILIATION: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce

NAME: Brisia Rodelas
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Gabriel Barna
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Chandra Villanueva
AFFILIATION: Center for Public Policy Priorities

NAME: Jennifer Slade
AFFILIATION: East Texas Literacy Council

NAME: Sherry Hudson
AFFILIATION: Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Fort Worth

NAME: Jennifer Edwards
AFFILIATION: Literacy Texas

NAME: Nancy Hawa
AFFILIATION: Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Fort Worth

NAME: Jasmine Pierce
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Kathryn Melia
AFFILIATION: Literacy Instruction for Texas (LIFT)

NAME: Greg Robinson
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Kaitlyn D. Smith
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Jesse Vasquez
AFFILIATION: Cornerstone Assistance Network

NAME: Martin Loa
AFFILIATION: Houston Center for Literacy

NAME: Amber Sims
AFFILIATION: Literacy Instruction for Texas (LIFT)

4. Public Hearing on Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 130, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Career and Technical Education
(Board agenda page I-529)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Cindy Manzano
AFFILIATION: Texas Council on Economic Education

NAME: Robert Mills and Jeannette Barr
AFFILIATION: Project Management Institute Educational Foundation

NAME: Larry Jeffus
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Sandra West
AFFILIATION: Science Teachers Association of Texas

ACTION ITEM

5. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter G, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2012-2013
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)
(Board agenda page I-3)
[Official agenda item #3]

Shelly Ramos, curriculum division director, stated that the proposed amendments would revise course options under the Minimum High School Program, Recommended High School Program, and Distinguished Achievement Program to add the new Statistics and Algebraic Reasoning courses as options to satisfy a mathematics graduation requirement. Ms. Ramos stated that no public comment on the item had been received.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter G, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2012-2013, with an effective date of August 24, 2015.*

DISCUSSION ITEM

6. Discussion of Pending Litigation
(Board agenda page I-531)

The committee did not discuss pending litigation; therefore, no executive session was held.

Mrs. Bahorich adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.