

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee of the Full Board
July 19, 2016**

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 1:12 p.m. on Tuesday, July 19, 2016, in the State Board of Education Room, #1-104, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

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

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/ or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

The Committee of the Full Board heard public testimony on agenda items #1 and #2. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

The Committee of the Full Board considered items in the following order: #2, #3, and #1. Item #4 will be considered during the Committee of the Full Board meeting on Wednesday, July 20, 2016.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. Discussion of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 110, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for English Language Arts and Reading, and 19 TAC Chapter 128, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Spanish Language Arts and Reading and English as a Second Language**

(Board agenda page I-13)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Victoria Young
AFFILIATION: Texas Council of Teachers of English Language Arts (TCTELA)

NAME: Valerie Taylor
AFFILIATION: TCTELA

NAME: Beth Egmon
AFFILIATION: Coalition of Reading and English Supervisors of Texas (CREST)

NAME: Elizabeth DeJesse
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Michael Fjetland
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Carole H. Haynes
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Beverly Reed
AFFILIATION: Collaborative for Children

NAME: Christine Chien
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Roberta Raymond
AFFILIATION: Texas Association for Literacy Education (TALE)

NAME: Eric Simpson
AFFILIATION: Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA)

NAME: Alan J. Hill
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: William Eastman
AFFILIATION: Self

Recorded invited testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Dr. Elsa Cárdenas-Hagan
AFFILIATION: Valley Speech Language and Learning Center

Invited testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Dr. Christie Cavanaugh
AFFILIATION: Educational Consultant

NAME: Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Hawkins Hill
AFFILIATION: University of Houston-Clear Lake (retired)

NAME: Jennifer Wilkerson
AFFILIATION: Amarillo Independent School District

Recorded invited testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Dr. Sandra Stotsky
AFFILIATION: University of Arkansas

The committee discussed next steps for the review of the English and Spanish language arts and reading Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills. Monica Martinez, associate commissioner for standards and programs, reviewed timeline considerations for issuance of a proclamation for instructional materials for English and Spanish language arts and reading. The committee requested that staff make technical edits to the proposed revisions.

2. Update on Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) Review
(Board agenda page I-21)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Sandra West
AFFILIATION: Science Teachers Association of Texas

NAME: Shane Woods
AFFILIATION: Texas Science Education Leadership Association

NAME: Candyce Smelser
AFFILIATION: Self

Ms. Martinez discussed upcoming activities related to the review and revision of the English and Spanish language arts and reading TEKS and the streamlining of the science TEKS.

3. Update on the Accessibility Audit of Proclamation 2014 Materials
(Board agenda page I-29)

Kelly Callaway, instructional materials and educational technology division director, described the content of the report resulting from the accessibility audit of *Proclamation 2014* materials and explained that the audit was conducted to determine the extent to which digital state-adopted instructional materials are accessible to students with disabilities. She added that beginning with *Proclamation 2017*, each publisher will be required to provide an audit report for materials it submits for adoption.

4. Ethics Training
(Board agenda page I-33)

This item was presented during the Committee of the Full Board on Wednesday, July 20, 2016.

The annual SBOE ethics training was presented by Christopher Maska, the TEA Ethics Advisor. In particular, the three revolving door provisions from Texas Government Code Chapter 572 were discussed and a quiz was presented. Questions from the SBOE members were answered concerning the revolving door provisions, gifts, and outside employment when one is serving as a SBOE member. The SBOE members were provided with Texas Ethics Commission materials.

Mrs. Bahorich adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.