

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on School Initiatives  
July 21, 2016**

The State Board of Education Committee on School Initiatives met at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, July 21, 2016, in Room #1-111 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

Presiding: Marty Rowley, chair; Martha M. Dominguez, vice chair; Donna Bahorich; Erika Beltran; Ruben Cortez, Jr.

**Public Testimony**

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The Committee on School Initiatives heard public testimony on agenda item #6. Information regarding the individual who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

**CONSENT ITEM**

**1. Recommendation for Appointment to the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees**

(Board agenda page IV-1)  
[Consent agenda item #(9)]

Ron Rowell, director, school governance, presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding appointments to the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education approve the re-appointment of Mr. Clifford Dietert to serve a two-year term of office, from July 22, 2016, through July 21, 2018, on the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

**ACTION ITEMS**

**2. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter C, Assessment of Educators**

(Board agenda page IV-13)  
[Official agenda item #9]

Tim Miller, director, educator preparation, testing, and program, presented to the committee an opportunity to review State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) rule actions that would amend 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter C, Assessment of Educators.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Dr. Dominguez, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter C, Assessment of Educators.*

**3. Review of Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions**

(Board agenda page IV-33)

[Official agenda item #10]

Mr. Miller presented to the committee information regarding an opportunity to review SBEC rule actions that would amend 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Beltran, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions.*

**4. Review of Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 234, Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans**

(Board agenda page IV-51)

[Official agenda item #11]

Marilyn Cook, director, educator certification, presented to the committee information regarding an opportunity to review SBEC rule actions that would establish new 19 TAC Chapter 234, Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Dr. Dominguez, seconded by Mrs. Bahorich, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 234, Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans.*

**5. Review of Proposed Repeal of and New 19 TAC Chapter 241, Principal Certificate, §241.15, Standards Required for the Principal Certificate**

(Board agenda page IV-61)

[Official agenda item #12]

Ryan Franklin, associate commissioner, educator leadership and quality, presented to the committee information regarding an opportunity to review SBEC rule actions that would repeal and establish new 19 TAC Chapter 241, Principal Certificate, §241.15, Standards Required for the Principal Certificate.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed repeal of and new 19 TAC Chapter 241, Principal Certificate, §241.15, Standards Required for the Principal Certificate.*

**6. Review of the Commissioner of Education’s Generation 21 Charter Proposals**

(Board agenda page IV-73)

[Official agenda item #13]

Public testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Patti Radle  
AFFILIATION: Individual

Sally Partridge, associate commissioner for accreditation and school improvement, and Heather Mauzé, director of charter school administration, answered questions regarding Commissioner of Education Mike Morath’s list of proposed charter schools.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, and seconded by Dr. Dominguez to recommend that the State Board of Education take action to veto the commissioner of education’s proposed generation 21 open-enrollment charter school, Athlos Academy of Texas (Dallas/Fort Worth). The motion carried, with 3 members voting Aye and 2 members voting No, as follows:*

Aye: Ms. Beltran  
Mr. Cortez  
Dr. Dominguez  
No: Mrs. Bahorich  
Mr. Rowley

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Bahorich, seconded by Ms. Beltran, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the commissioner of education’s proposed generation 21 open-enrollment charter school, Compass Rose Academy (Bexar County).*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Bahorich, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the commissioner of education’s proposed generation 21 open-enrollment charter school, Goodwater Montessori School (Georgetown).*

The meeting of the Committee on School Initiatives adjourned at 10:08 a.m.