

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on School Initiatives  
September 15, 2016**

The State Board of Education Committee on School Initiatives met at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, September 15, 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 # 3. Information regarding the individual who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

Items for the Committee of School Initiatives were considered in the following order: Items #3, #1, and #2.

**ACTION ITEM**

1. **Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 227, Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates, Subchapter A, Admission to Educator Preparation Programs**  
(Board agenda page IV-1)  
[Official agenda item #8]

Tim Miller, director, educator preparation, presented to the committee an opportunity to review State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) rule actions that would amend 19 TAC Chapter 227, Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates, Subchapter A, Admission to Educator Preparation Programs.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Bahorich, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 227, Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates, Subchapter A, Admission to Educator Preparation Programs. (Mr. Cortez was absent for the vote.)*

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **2. Charter School Updates** (Board agenda page IV-17)

Heather Mauzé, director, charter school administration, presented to the committee information on the commissioner's Generation Twenty-Two Open-Enrollment Charter School Application and its timeline.

### **3. Training New and Existing Members of Local School Boards** (Board agenda page IV-19)

Commissioner of Education Mike Morath presented to the committee information regarding school board governance and possible changes in training requirements for new and existing members of local school boards.

Public testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Dr. Phil Gore  
AFFILIATION: Texas Association of School Boards

The meeting of the Committee on School Initiatives adjourned at 10:25 a.m.