

Minutes  
State Board of Education  
November 21, 2014

The State Board of Education met at 9:07 a.m. on Friday, November 21, 2014, 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 board were present, as follows:

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

**Student Performance**

The student performance was provided by McCowan Middle School Theatre Arts Department--Junior Thespians, DeSoto Independent School District.

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes**

State Board of Education, September 19, 2014

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *The State Board of Education unanimously approved the Minutes of the September 19, 2014, meeting of the State Board of Education, as printed.*

**Public Testimony** - Individual testimony will be taken to address items other than those on the board agenda. 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/index4.aspx?id=25769804094&menuid=25769804716> or in the information section (yellow pages) of the printed agenda.

No public testimony was provided.

**1. Resolutions and Presentations**

**Resolution Honoring Departing State Board of Education Member Mavis B. Knight**

*The State Board of Education unanimously adopted the resolution honoring departing State Board of Education member Mavis B. Knight.*

(ATTACHMENT 1, page 15)

## **Resolution Honoring Winners of the 2014 National History Day Contest**

*The State Board of Education unanimously adopted the resolution congratulating the 2014 National History Day winners from Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District, One Day Academy, and Waco Independent School District.*

(ATTACHMENT 2, page 17)

## **2. Approval of Consent Agenda**

Any agenda item may be placed on the consent agenda by any State Board of Education committee. The State Board of Education may elect to take separate action on any item on the consent agenda.

Mrs. Miller reported that she was recusing herself from any discussion, and would not cast a vote, on consent agenda item numbers (4)--Approval of an Extension of the Real Estate Consultant Services Agreement with Courtland Partners and Authorization for Contract Execution by the Commissioner of Education; and (5)—Decision on Real Estate Investments.

*The State Board of Education approved the following items on the consent agenda.*

- (1) Approval of Costs of Administering the 2014-2015 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) and the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS) Assessments to Private School Students**  
(Board agenda page III-47)  
(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND)

The State Board of Education approved the per-student costs for administering the STAAR and TELPAS tests to private school students in the 2014-2015 school year, as recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund.

(ATTACHMENT 3, page 19)

- (2) Ratification of the Purchases and Sales of the Investment Portfolio of the Permanent School Fund for the Months of August and September 2014**  
(Board agenda page III-53)  
(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND)

The State Board of Education ratified the purchases and sales for the months of August and September 2014 in the amount of \$1,352,935,918 and \$1,395,842,030, respectively, as recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund.

**(3) Approval of an Extension of the Investment Management Services Agreement with BlackRock Investment Management, LLC and Authorization for Contract Execution by the Commissioner of Education**

(Board agenda page III-55)

(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND)

The State Board of Education approved an extension of investment management services for international index fund contract for the Permanent School Fund with BlackRock Investment Management, LLC, authorizing a two-year extension as allowed by the contract, and authorizing the commissioner of education to execute the contract, as recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund. The extension period shall be from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017.

**(4) Approval of an Extension of the Real Estate Consultant Services Agreement with Courtland Partners and Authorization for Contract Execution by the Commissioner of Education**

(Board agenda page III-57)

(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND)

The State Board of Education approved an extension of the real estate investment consultant services for the Permanent School Fund with Courtland Partners, Ltd., authorizing a four-year extension as allowed by the contract, and authorizing the commissioner of education to execute the contract, as recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund. The extension period shall be from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2019.

**(5) Decision on Real Estate Investments**

(Board agenda page III-59)

(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND)

The State Board of Education approved the recommendation of the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund to execute agreement(s) with CLSA Capital Partners, Ltd., necessary to make an investment commitment of up to \$50 million in Fudo Capital III L.P., a U.S. dollar denominated fund, subject to continued due diligence and negotiation of fund terms, to approve the relationship between CLSA Capital Partners and Greenhill & Co., LLC, after determining it meets the standards of 19 TAC Chapter 33, Section (j)(5), which has been disclosed in writing, and also, to approve a waiver of the PSF Real Estate Investment Policy Statement requirement for the investment manager (CLSA Capital Partners) to be a registered investment advisor with the Securities Exchange Commission.

The State Board of Education approved the recommendation of the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund to execute agreements(s) with Angelo Gordon & Co., necessary to make an investment commitment of up to \$100 million in AG Core Plus Realty Fund IV, L.P., subject to continued due diligence and negotiation of fund terms.

- (6) **Recommendation for Appointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees**  
(Board agenda page IV-1)  
(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL INITIATIVES)

The State Board of Education approved the appointment of Mr. Robert W. Marshall to serve a two-year term of office, from November 21, 2014 through November 20, 2016, on the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees, as recommended by the Committee on School Initiatives.

(ATTACHMENT 4, page 21)

- (7) **Recommendation for Appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees**  
(Board agenda page IV-7)  
(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL INITIATIVES)

The State Board of Education approved the appointment of Mr. Patrick Luna to serve a two-year term of office, from November 21, 2014 through November 20, 2016, on the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees, as recommended by the Committee on School Initiatives.

(ATTACHMENT 5, page 25)

- (8) **Recommendation for Appointment to the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees**  
(Board agenda page IV-29)  
(COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL INITIATIVES)

The State Board of Education approved the reappointments of Dr. Laura J. Munro and Dr. Kevin Odom to each serve a two-year term of office, from November 21, 2014 through November 20, 2016, on the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees, as recommended by the Committee on School Initiatives.

(ATTACHMENT 6, page 33)

### **COMMITTEE OF THE FULL BOARD**

3. **Report and Recommendations from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2015**  
(Board agenda page I-1)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and carried unanimously that the State Board of Education require that all publishers make corrections listed in the Report of the Commissioner of Education Concerning Required Corrections of Factual Errors, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board.*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and carried unanimously that the State Board of Education require that all instructional materials meet applicable established manufacturing standards and specifications, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board.*

**MOTION:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff that the State Board of Education approve changes and corrections in response to written comments and public testimony, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board.*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff, seconded by Ms. Hardy, and carried that the State Board of Education approve changes and corrections in response to written comments and public testimony that have been posted on the TEA website.*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mrs. Melton-Malone, and carried that the State Board of Education approve changes and corrections in response to written comments and public testimony that have been posted on the TEA website as of 5 p.m., Thursday, November 20, 2014.*

**VOTE:** *A vote was taken on the motion that the State Board of Education approve changes and corrections in response to written comments and public testimony, as amended. The motion carried.*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and carried that the State Board of Education place fine arts and mathematics instructional materials submitted for adoption on the adopted list as indicated on the Report and Recommendations from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2015, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board.*

**MOTION:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the State Board of Education place social studies instructional materials submitted for adoption on the adopted list as indicated on the Report and Recommendations from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2015, excluding Holt McDougal United States Government: Principles in Practice.*

**MOTION:** *It was moved by Mr. Bradley and seconded by Ms. Hardy to strike WorldView Software from the adopted list.*

The State Board of Education recessed at 11:30 a.m., and reconvened at 11:55 a.m.

Mr. Bradley withdrew his motion without objection from the board.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Cortez and seconded by Ms. Perez that the State Board of Education meet on December 1, 2014, at 9 a.m., and take this issue up again. The motion failed, with 5 members voting Aye, 9 members voting No, and 1 member Abstaining, as follows:*

<u>Aye:</u>	Mr. Allen Mr. Cortez Dr. Dominguez	Mrs. Knight Ms. Perez
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<u>No:</u>	Mr. Bradley Mrs. Cargill Ms. Hardy Mr. Maynard Mrs. Melton-Malone	Mr. Mercer Mrs. Miller Mr. Ratliff Mr. Rowley
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<u>Abstain:</u>	Mrs. Bahorich
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**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mrs. Miller, and carried to divide the question to consider separately WorldView Software, all submissions, and Discovery Education 6<sup>th</sup> Grade World Geography and Cultures.*

**VOTE:** *A vote was taken on the motion that the State Board of Education place social studies instructional materials submitted for adoption on the adopted list as indicated on the Report and Recommendations from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2015, excluding Holt McDougal United States Government: Principles in Practice; and considering separately WorldView Software, all submissions, and Discovery Education 6<sup>th</sup> Grade World Geography and Cultures. The motion carried, with 10 members voting Aye and 5 members voting No, as follows:*

<u>Aye:</u>	Mrs. Bahorich Mr. Bradley Mrs. Cargill Ms. Hardy Mr. Maynard	Mrs. Melton-Malone Mr. Mercer Mrs. Miller Mr. Ratliff Mr. Rowley
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<u>No:</u>	Mr. Allen Mr. Cortez Dr. Dominguez	Mrs. Knight Ms. Perez
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**VOTE:** A vote was taken on the motion that the State Board of Education place social studies instructional materials submitted for adoption on the adopted list as indicated on the Report and Recommendations from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2015, WorldView Software, all submissions. The motion failed, with 3 members voting Aye, 11 members voting No, and 1 member Abstaining, as follows:

<u>Aye:</u>	Mrs. Bahorich Ms. Hardy	Mr. Ratliff
<u>No:</u>	Mr. Allen Mr. Bradley Mrs. Cargill Mr. Cortez Mrs. Knight Mr. Maynard	Mrs. Melton-Malone Mr. Mercer Mrs. Miller Ms. Perez Mr. Rowley
<u>Abstain:</u>	Dr. Dominguez	

**VOTE:** A vote was taken on the motion that the State Board of Education place social studies instructional materials submitted for adoption on the adopted list as indicated on the Report and Recommendations from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Instructional Materials Offered for Adoption under Proclamation 2015, Discovery Education 6<sup>th</sup> Grade World Geography and Cultures. The motion carried, with 9 members voting Aye and 6 members voting No, as follows:

<u>Aye:</u>	Mr. Allen Mrs. Bahorich Mr. Bradley Ms. Hardy Mr. Maynard	Mrs. Melton-Malone Mr. Mercer Mr. Ratliff Mr. Rowley
<u>No:</u>	Mrs. Cargill Mr. Cortez Dr. Dominguez	Mrs. Knight Mrs. Miller Ms. Perez

**MOTION AND VOTE:** It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, and carried that the State Board of Education approve the following:

*In order for changes and corrections submitted by publishers to be considered for approval at the February 2015 State Board of Education meeting, such changes and corrections must be submitted to the Texas Education Agency on or before 5 p.m., on Wednesday, February 4, 2015.*

**4. Decision on the Percentage Distribution of the Permanent School Fund**  
(Board agenda page I-29)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and carried unanimously that the State Board of Education approve the percentage distribution rate to the Available School Fund from the Permanent School Fund for the 2016-2017 fiscal biennium at 3.5%, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

**5. Legislative Recommendations for the 84<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature**  
(Board agenda page I-33)

**MOTION:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and seconded by Mr. Mercer that the State Board of Education approve the following five legislative recommendations to the 84<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board.*

- 1. As part of the General Appropriations Act, set aside an amount equal to 100% of the annual distribution made by the Permanent School Fund to the Available School Fund and place it in the state instructional materials fund as required under Section 43.001(d) of the Texas Education Code and not reduce the funding from the other components of the school finance formulas in the similar amount as is currently being done.*
- 2. Appropriate funds to assist local school districts in increasing the number of school guidance personnel especially at the secondary level (middle and high school) where preparation for graduation under House Bill 5 (83<sup>rd</sup> Texas Legislature, Regular Session) is necessary.*
- 3. Ensure sufficient legislative appropriations to increase staffing at the Texas Education Agency, particularly in the curriculum division, to provide adequate personnel to oversee and support the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills review and implementation process and the textbook adoption process.*
- 4. Return functions of the State Board for Educator Certification to the State Board of Education where they belong, so the public is represented by elected officials, not appointed board members.*
- 5. Allocate funds to State Board of Education to support the creation and implementation of a long-range plan as required by Texas Education Code §7.102(c)(1).*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff, seconded by Mr. Mercer, and carried to amend recommendation #1, as follows:*

- 1. As part of the General Appropriations Act, set aside an amount equal to 100% of the annual distribution made by the Permanent School Fund to the Available School Fund and place it in the state instructional materials fund [~~as required under Section 43.001(d) of the Texas Education Code~~] and not reduce the funding from the other components of the school finance formulas in the similar amount [~~as is currently being done~~].*

*(Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*



**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Mercer and seconded by Mrs. Miller to add a #6 recommendation, as follows:*

*Strengthen current Texas law regarding Common Core.*

*The motion failed. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Bahorich, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, and carried to amend recommendation #4, as follows:*

*4. Return functions of the State Board for Educator Certification to the State Board of Education [~~where they belong,~~] so the public is represented by elected officials, not appointed board members.*

*(Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

**VOTE:** *A vote was taken on the motion that the State Board of Education approve the five legislative recommendations to the 84<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature, as amended. The motion carried. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

**6. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 114, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Languages Other Than English, Subchapter A, Elementary, Subchapter B, Middle School, and Subchapter D, Other Languages Other Than English Courses**

*(Second Reading and Final Adoption)*

*(Board agenda page I-35)*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *The State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approved for second reading and final adoption proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 114, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Languages Other Than English, Subchapter A, Elementary, Subchapter B, Middle School, and Subchapter D, Other Languages Other Than English Courses, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

*(ATTACHMENT 7, page 41)*

**7. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses**

*(Second Reading and Final Adoption)*

*(Board agenda page I-45)*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *The State Board of Education approved for second reading and final adoption proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses, with an effective date of August 24, 2015, as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

*(ATTACHMENT 8, page 43)*

8. **Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter C, High School, §111.47, Statistics, Adopted 2015 (One Credit)**  
(First Reading and Filing Authorization)  
(Board agenda page I-53)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Ratliff and carried to approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter C, High School, §111.47, Statistics, Adopted 2015 (One Credit), as recommended by the Committee of the Full Board. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

#### **COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION**

9. **Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter A, Elementary, §§111.11-111.17, and Subchapter B, Middle School, §§111.21-111.24, and Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter A, Elementary, §111.1, and Subchapter B, Middle School, §111.25**  
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page II-1)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Maynard and carried, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, to approve for second reading and final adoption proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter A, Elementary, §§111.11-111.17, and Subchapter B, Middle School, §§111.21-111.24, and proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter A, Elementary, §111.1, and Subchapter B, Middle School, §111.25, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register, as recommended by the Committee on Instruction. (Mr. Bradley, Mr. Cortez, Dr. Dominguez and Ms. Hardy were absent for the vote.)*

(ATTACHMENT 9, page 45)

10. **Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter D, Special Education Services and Settings, §89.63, Instructional Arrangements and Settings**  
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page II-7)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Maynard and carried, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, to approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter D, Special Education Services and Settings, §89.63, Instructional Arrangements and Settings, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register, as amended and recommended by the Committee on Instruction. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

(ATTACHMENT 10, page 47)

**COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND**

**11. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 129, Student Attendance, Subchapter B, Student Attendance Accounting, §129.21, Requirements for Student Attendance Accounting for State Funding Purposes**

(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page III-1)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Hardy and carried, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, to approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 129, Student Attendance, Subchapter B, Student Attendance Accounting, §129.21, Requirements for Student Attendance Accounting for State Funding Purposes, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register, as recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund. (Mr. Cortez and Dr. Dominguez were absent for the vote.)*

(ATTACHMENT 11, page 51)

**12. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 33, Statement of Investment Objectives, Policies, and Guidelines of the Texas Permanent School Fund, Subchapter A, State Board of Education Rules, §33.65, Bond Guarantee Program for School Districts**

(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page III-9)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Hardy and carried, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, to approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 33, Statement of Investment Objectives, Policies, and Guidelines of the Texas Permanent School Fund, Subchapter A, State Board of Education Rules, §33.65, Bond Guarantee Program for School Districts, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register, as amended and recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund. (Mr. Cortez, Dr. Dominguez and Ms. Perez were absent for the vote.)*

(ATTACHMENT 12, page 53)

**13. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 33, Statement of Investment Objectives, Policies, and Guidelines of the Texas Permanent School Fund, Subchapter A, State Board of Education Rules, §33.67, Bond Guarantee Program for Charter Schools**

(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page III-23)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Hardy and carried, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, to approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 33, Statement of Investment Objectives, Policies, and Guidelines of the Texas Permanent School Fund, Subchapter A, State Board of Education Rules, §33.67, Bond Guarantee Program for Charter Schools, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register, as amended and recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund. (Mr. Cortez, Dr. Dominguez and Ms. Perez were absent for the vote.)*

(ATTACHMENT 13, page 63)

**14. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 109, Budgeting, Accounting, and Auditing, Subchapter B, Texas Education Agency Audit Functions, §109.23, School District Independent Audits and Agreed-Upon Procedures**

(First Reading and Filing Authorization)

(Board agenda page III-39)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Hardy and carried unanimously to approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 109, Budgeting, Accounting, and Auditing, Subchapter B, Texas Education Agency Audit Functions, §109.23, School District Independent Audits and Agreed-Upon Procedures, as amended and recommended by the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund. (Mr. Bradley, Mr. Cortez, Dr. Dominguez and Ms. Perez were absent for the vote.)*

**COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL INITIATIVES**

**15. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, and Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments**

(Board agenda page IV-59)

The State Board of Education took no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, and Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments, as recommended by the Committee on School Initiatives.

**16. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, §§233.1, 233.2, 233.6, 233.7, and 233.13**

(Board agenda page IV-79)

The State Board of Education took no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, §§233.1, General Authority; 233.2, Generalist; 233.6, Bilingual Education; 233.7, English as a Second Language; and 233.13, Career and Technical Education (Certificates not requiring experience and preparation in a skill area), as recommended by the Committee on School Initiatives.

**17. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.16, Eligibility of Persons with Criminal Convictions for a Certificate under Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 53**

(Board agenda page IV-89)

The State Board of Education took no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.16, Eligibility of Persons with Criminal Convictions for a Certificate under Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 53, as recommended by the Committee on School Initiatives.

## **AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE LONG-RANGE PLAN FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION**

### **18. Long-Range Plan on Public Education**

(Board agenda page SBOE-1)

Mr. Rowley, chair of the ad hoc committee, provided an update on the committee's progress. He reported that the next meeting of the ad hoc committee was scheduled for January 27, 2015, at 10 a.m.

Mr. Bradley stated that in order for the board to post rules governing the bond guarantee program to be considered immediately, it needed to suspend §5.2(a) of the SBOE Operating Rules which states that proposed new rules must appear on the agenda for discussion at one board meeting and for action at two subsequent board meetings as a first reading and second reading.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mr. Maynard, and carried by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, that the State Board of Education, at its February meeting, suspend its rule, §5.2(a), thereby allowing the board to post for first reading and filing authorization rules governing the bond guarantee program. (Mr. Cortez, Dr. Dominguez, and Ms. Perez were absent for the vote.)*

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ON COMMITTEE AGENDAS**

### **Committee on Instruction**

Mr. Maynard reported on the following discussion item: Update on the Implementation of the Revised Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics.

### **Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund**

Ms. Hardy did not report on discussion items of the Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund.

### **Committee on School Initiatives**

Mrs. Bahorich did not report on discussion items of the Committee on School Initiatives.

**REPORTS OF OTHER STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS REGARDING  
AGENDA ITEMS AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND CONCERNS IN INDIVIDUAL  
DISTRICTS**

Mrs. Cargill gave board members an opportunity to provide information regarding agenda items or other relevant information about public education.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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Mavis B. Knight, Secretary

# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Mavis B. Knight has worked extensively in community support activities for more than three decades; and

WHEREAS that work included holding numerous positions with the Parent Teacher Association at the local, state and national level, including serving as president of the Dallas City Council of the PTA; and

WHEREAS this personal commitment to improving public education led Mavis B. Knight to run for a seat on the State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS North Texas voters wisely elected Mavis B. Knight to the State Board in 2002, 2004, 2008 and 2012; and

WHEREAS during her 12 years of service on the board, Mavis B. Knight has developed a reputation for fairness and firmness; and

WHEREAS she is willing to listen to thorough discussions about issues, no matter how long the debate takes; and

WHEREAS once gathering all available information, she becomes a strong advocate for her position; and

WHEREAS she has provided a voice to many who would otherwise have gone unheard; and

WHEREAS Mavis B. Knight's leadership has been recognized over the years by her colleagues who twice elected her secretary of the board and also named her vice chair of the Committee on School Initiatives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the State Board of Education offer a tip of the hat to Mavis B. Knight for her years of strong, dedicated service to the children of Texas; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Mavis B. Knight and that a copy be kept in the permanent records of the State Board of Education.

WITNESS our signatures this twenty-first day of November, two thousand and fourteen, in Austin, Texas.

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Barbara Cargill, Chair

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Thomas Ratliff, Vice Chair

# R E S O L U T I O N

**WHEREAS** the State Board of Education considers high academic standards as the foundation of public education in Texas; and

**WHEREAS** the National History Day program fosters academic achievement and intellectual growth, requires student participants to conduct extensive primary and secondary source research on a topic of historical significance, and promotes pride in each student participant's heritage and in our nation's history and place in the world; and

**WHEREAS** the annual National History Day contest with the theme of *Rights & Responsibilities* was held in College Park, Maryland, on June 15-19, 2014; and

**WHEREAS** Matthew Broussard of Impact Early College High School in Baytown, Texas, won First Place in the Senior Division Individual Performance category with his performance titled *Writs, Rights, and Responsibilities: Franklin on the Origins of the Fourth*; and

**WHEREAS** Jake Brien, Hannah Edwards, Jessie Loehr, Max Mitchell, and Keith Teague of One Day Academy in Austin, Texas, won Second Place in the Junior Division Group Performance category with their performance titled *Echoes of the Auction Block: The Radical Advocacy of Sojourner Truth and Harriet Beecher Stowe*; and

**WHEREAS** Paige Dupuy and Brigitte Eichenberg of Atlas Academy in Waco, Texas, won Third Place in the Junior Division Group Performance category with their performance titled *Armbands on Trial: When Rights and Responsibilities Collide*; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the State Board of Education does hereby congratulate these *2014 National History Day* winners from Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District, One Day Academy, and Waco Independent School District; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That this resolution be presented to the aforementioned students for their winning projects at the *2014 National History Day* contest and that a copy be included in the permanent records of the State Board of Education.

**WITNESS** our signatures this twenty-first day of November, two thousand and fourteen, in Austin, Texas.

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Barbara Cargill, Chair

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Mavis B. Knight, Secretary