

**Report of the State Board of Education
Ad Hoc Committee on the
Long-Range Plan for Public Education
January 27, 2015**

The State Board of Education Ad Hoc Committee on the Long-Range Plan for Public Education met at 10:09 a.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, in Room 408 of the Hilton Austin Hotel, 500 East 4th Street, Austin, Texas. The following members of the committee were present:

Presiding: Marty Rowley, Chair; Donna Bahorich; Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Martha M. Dominguez; Pat Hardy; Tom Maynard; Geraldine “Tincy” Miller; Marisa B. Perez

Absent: Thomas Ratliff

Non-Committee Board Members Present: Lawrence A. Allen, Jr., Barbara Cargill, Sue Melton-Malone

Public Testimony

Work session and ad hoc committee meetings are exempt from oral public testimony.

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Long-Range Plan for Public Education

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Long-Range Plan is charged with the feasibility of developing a new long range plan for education. The committee met in November and approved the goals of the long-range plan, and developed an action plan and timeline. Statutory authority for this action is the Texas Education Code (TEC), §7.102(c).

Mr. Rowley opened the meeting with a brief overview of the work done so far by the committee to determine the viability and utility of the State Board of Education compiling and issuing a long-range plan for education, the purposes of the long-range plan and the process to implement, and the timeline for completing the implementation plan.

The committee discussed the possibility of hiring an outside facilitator to lead the development of the long-range plan, and discussed coordinating stakeholder meetings through the 20 education service centers. Additionally, members are working to determine the cost of creating a long-range plan.

Mr. Cortez presented an overview of a process used by the Region I ESC to gather input from stakeholders and community members.

Committee members then agreed to consider a plan whereby the ESCs will host stakeholder and community meetings. The meetings may be comprised of a teleconference meeting of superintendents and select leadership, followed by a planning forum to consider five to seven areas of interest. Then, small group forums of specific interest groups – parents, community members, business leaders and others – would be convened to discuss the areas of interest. Following the small group forums, a final debriefing meeting would be held to discuss the findings and compile a report for the SBOE.

The committee agreed to next meet on Thursday, February 12, 2015, at 8 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.