Report of the State Board of Education Committee on Instruction September 10, 2015

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2015, in Room #1-100 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

<u>Presiding</u>: Sue Melton-Malone, chair; Geraldine Miller, vice chair; Barbara Cargill; Tom Maynard; Marisa B. Perez

Public Testimony

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The Committee on Instruction received no presentations of public testimony.

ACTION ITEMS

 Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, <u>Curriculum Requirements</u>, Subchapter C, <u>Other Provisions</u>, §74.24, <u>Credit by Examination</u>, and §74.26, <u>Award of Credit</u> (Second Reading and Final Adoption)
(Board agenda page II-1)
[Official agenda item #6]

Monica Martinez, associate commissioner for standards and programs, explained that public comments in support of this item had been received by the agency. The proposed amendments would provide additional support and transition assistance for students who are homeless or in substitute care and who frequently transfer school districts and would also align with recent legislative changes.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Maynard, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, <u>Curriculum Requirements</u>, Subchapter C, <u>Other Provisions</u>, §74.24, <u>Credit</u> by <u>Examination</u>, and §74.26, <u>Award of Credit</u>, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register. Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 117, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Fine Arts</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Elementary</u>, Subchapter B, <u>Middle School</u>, and Subchapter C, <u>High School</u> (Second Reading and Final Adoption)
(Board agenda page II-13)
[Official agenda item #7]

Shelly Ramos, curriculum division director, explained that with the implementation of revised Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for fine arts beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, the current fine arts TEKS need to be repealed.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mr. Maynard, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 117, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Fine Arts</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Elementary</u>, Subchapter B, <u>Middle School</u>, and Subchapter C, <u>High School</u>, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.

3. Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 111, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for</u> <u>Mathematics</u>, Subchapter C, <u>High School</u>, §§111.31-111.37, and Subchapter D, <u>Other High</u> <u>School Mathematics Courses</u>, §111.52, <u>Independent Study in Mathematics (One-Half to One</u> <u>Credit)</u>

(Second Reading and Final Adoption) (Board agenda page II-19) [Official agenda item #8]

Ms. Ramos explained that the proposed repeal would remove the TEKS for high school mathematics courses and related implementation language, which were superseded by 19 TAC §§111.38-111.45 beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mr. Maynard, seconded by Mrs. Miller, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 111, <u>Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics</u>, Subchapter C, <u>High School</u>, §§111.31-111.37, and Subchapter D, <u>Other High School Mathematics Courses</u>, §111.52, <u>Independent Study in Mathematics (One-Half to One Credit)</u>, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.

4. Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 102, <u>Educational Programs</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Grants</u>, §102.1, <u>State Engineering and Science Recruitment Fund (SENSR) Grant Program</u>

(Second Reading and Final Adoption) (Board agenda page II-25) [Official agenda item #9]

Ms. Ramos explained that the proposed repeal would remove language related to the State Engineering and Science Recruitment Fund (SENSR) Grant Program. The rule's authorizing statute was repealed by Senate Bill (SB) 215, 83rd Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2013. As a result, rules related to the eliminated program need to be repealed.

MOTION AND VOTE: It was moved by Mrs. Cargill, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 102, <u>Educational Programs</u>, Subchapter A, <u>Grants</u>, §102.1, <u>State Engineering Fund and Science Recruitment Fund (SENSR) Grant Program</u>, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 9:15 a.m.