

**State Board of Education
Summary of Action Items
June 15, 2018**

1. Resolutions and Presentations

Milken National Educator Awards Presentation

Milken National Educator Award recipients Jennifer Fuller from Arlington Collegiate High School in the Arlington Independent School District (ISD) and Katie Negen of Slaton Junior High School of Slaton ISD.

Blue Ribbon Schools Resolution

The board approved a resolution recognizing the 2017 Blue Ribbon Schools award recipients. Those schools are: Whittier Elementary School of the Amarillo Independent School District; Banquete Elementary School in Banquete ISD; Smithfield Elementary School in Birdville ISD; and three schools from Dallas ISD: Barack Obama Male Leadership Academy, Dallas Environmental Science Academy, and Irma Lerma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School. Also receiving the award were Austin Elementary School and Jefferson Elementary, both of Edinburg Consolidated ISD; Silva Health Magnet and Green Elementary School, both of El Paso Independent School District; Austin Middle School of Galveston ISD; Gunter Elementary of Gunter ISD; Eastwood Academy and Lyons Elementary School of Houston ISD; Lawn Elementary School of Jim Ned CISD; Crestview Elementary School of Judson ISD; KIPP Shine Prep of KIPP Houston; Jennie Reid Elementary School of La Porte ISD; Hector J. Garcia Early College High School of Laredo ISD; Rancho Verde Elementary School of Los Fresnos CISD; Montgomery Intermediate School in Montgomery ISD; Oakwood Elementary School in Oakwood ISD; Travis Early College High School in San Antonio ISD; Stanton-Smith Elementary School in Whitehouse ISD; RF Hartman Elementary School of Wylie ISD; and Valle Verde Early College High School of Ysleta ISD.

Student Heroes Award Resolution

The board approved a resolution honoring the 2018 Student Heroes award recipients who are Mayely Carrasco of the Ector County Independent School District; Horacio Garcia-Rojas of IDEA McAllen College Preparatory School; Crystal Pacheco of Edinburg Consolidated ISD; Caleb Elam of Houston ISD; Samantha Sanchez of North East ISD; Hannah Keller of Spring Branch ISD; Callie Jourdan of Port Neches-Groves ISD; Kathryn Fouch of College Station ISD; Damiano "D.J." Sanders of Nacogdoches ISD; Lance White of Leander ISD; Ella Pursley of Birdville ISD; Braden Munn of Highland Park ISD; Eghosa Egbenoma of Arlington ISD; Blake Travis of Lewisville ISD; and Tinsley Drake of Lubbock ISD.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the State Board of Education Support Division at (512) 463-9007.

2. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

By unanimous consent, the State Board of Education approved the following items on the consent agenda. Board member Geraldine “Tincy” Miller recused herself on item (5).

(1) **Review and Adoption of the Long-Term Strategic Asset Allocation Plan of the Permanent School Fund (Committee of the Full Board)**

The board voted to maintain the Permanent School Fund’s current long-term strategic asset allocation plan, which consists of:

- US Large Cap Equities 13%
- US Small/Mid Cap Equities 5%
- Int’l Equities 14%
- Emerging Int’l Equities 3%
- Core Bonds 12%
- Emerging Market Debt (Local Currency) 7%
- Private Equity 13%
- Real Return 6%
- Real Estate 10%
- Absolute Return 10%
- Risk Parity 7%

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(2) **Review of the Report on Permanent School Fund Percentage Distribution Rates Under Consideration for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 (Committee of the Full Board)**

The board approved a range of 2.38 percent to 4.01 percent for the distribution rate from the Permanent School Fund for fiscal years 2020 and 2021. An exact rate within that range will be determined at a future meeting.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

**(3) Per Capita Apportionment Rate for the 2017-2018 School Year
(Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund)**

The board adopted a final per capita apportionment rate for the 2017-2018 school year of \$206.566.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the State Funding at (512) 463-9186.

**(4) Ratification of the Purchases and Sales of the Investment Portfolio of the Permanent School Fund for the Months of March and April 2018
(Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund)**

The board ratified the purchases and sales of \$685,678,377 and \$820,449,474, respectively, for the months of March and April 2018.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

**(5) Decision on Real Estate Investments
(Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund)**

The board voted to execute agreement(s) with Angelo, Gordon & Co., L.P., necessary to make an investment commitment of up to \$75 million in AG Realty Value Fund X, L.P., subject to continued due diligence and negotiation of fund terms, and authorization for contract execution by the Commissioner of Education. The board also voted to execute agreement(s) with Harrison Street Real Estate Capital LLC, necessary to make an investment commitment of up to €1 million in Harrison Street European Property Partners II, L.P., subject to continued due diligence and negotiation of fund terms, and authorization for contract execution by the Commissioner of Education. Additionally, the board agreed to execute agreement(s) with PAG Enhanced Credit Management Limited, necessary to make an additional commitment of up to \$21 million in PAG Enhanced Credit Fund L.P., subject to continued due diligence and negotiation of fund terms, and authorization for contract execution by the Commissioner of Education. Mrs. Miller recused herself on this item.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

**(6) Review of the Permanent School Fund Real Estate Annual Tactical Plan
(Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund)**

The board approved updates to the real estate annual tactical plan.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

**(7) Review of the Permanent School Fund Private Equity Investment Policy and Guidelines
(Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund)**

The board approved proposed changes to the Private Equity Policy and Guidelines.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

**(8) Review of the Bond Guarantee Program Charter Capacity
(Committee on School Finance/Permanent School Fund)**

The board took no action on this item.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

**(9) Adoption of Review of 19 TAC Chapter 61, School Districts, Subchapter A, Board of Trustees Relationship
(Adoption of Review)
(Committee on School Initiatives)**

The board adopted the review of 19 TAC Chapter 61, School Districts, Subchapter A, Board of Trustees Relationship. These rules specify requirements for continuing education for school board trustees and nominating trustees for military reservation school districts and Boys Ranch Independent School District (ISD).

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Governance and Investigations Division at (512) 463-9623.

COMMITTEE OF THE FULL BOARD

3. Approval of *Proclamation 2020 Questions and Answers*

The board approved *Proclamation 2020* as amended. This proclamation calls for instructional materials for courses in high school English language arts and reading; English Learners Language Arts, grades 7 and 8; English I and II for Speakers of Other Languages; English Language Development and Acquisition (ELDA); Reading I, II, III; College Readiness and Study Skills; Visual Media Analysis and Production; Contemporary Media; Literary Genres; Creative Writing; Research and Technical Writing; Practical Writing Skills; Humanities; Public Speaking I, II, III; Communication Applications; Oral Interpretation I, II, III; Debate I, II, III; Journalism; Advanced Broadcast Journalism I, II, III;

Photojournalism; and Advanced Journalism: Yearbook I, II, III/Newspaper I, II, III/Literary Magazine.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Instructional Materials Division at (512) 463-9601.

4. Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency

This item was withdrawn.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the College, Career, and Military Prep Division at (512) 936-6060.

5. Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.39, Requirements for Instruction on Proper Interaction with Peace Officers (Second Reading and Final Adoption)

The board gave final approval to new 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.39, Requirements for Instruction on Proper Interaction with Peace Officers, to implement Senate Bill (SB) 30, the Community Safety Education Act, 85th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, regarding required instruction on proper interaction with peace officers. The rules will be effective August 27, 2018.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

6. Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter C, High School, §113.50, Ethnic Studies: An Overview of Americans of Mexican Descent (One Credit) (First Reading and Filing Authorization)

The board unanimously approved for first reading and filing authorization Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for a one-credit elective social studies course named Ethnic Studies: Mexican American Studies, as amended. Once given final approval at the board's September meeting, the course would be available for use in Texas public schools beginning in the 2019-2020 school year.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

7. **Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.24, Credit by Examination (Second Reading and Final Adoption)**

The board approved for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.24, Credit by Examination, as amended.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

8. **Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.28, Students with Dyslexia and Related Disorders (Second Reading and Final Adoption)**

The board approved for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.28, Students with Dyslexia and Related Disorders, to update the rule and to align the rule with recent legislative changes made by House Bill (HB) 1886, 85th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2017. The updated rules will be effective August 27, 2018.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

9. **Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses, §113.69, Other Courses for which Students May Receive Social Studies Credit, and §113.70, Concurrent Enrollment in College Courses (First Reading and Filing Authorization)**

The board approved for first reading and filing authorization the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 113, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies, Subchapter D, Other Social Studies Courses, §113.69, Other Courses for which Students May Receive Social Studies Credit, and §113.70, Concurrent Enrollment in College Courses. The proposal would repeal rules that are outdated and no longer necessary.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND

10. Activities Related to a Student Art Competition to Develop a Permanent School Fund Logo

The board approved policies and procedures related to an art contest to design a logo for the Permanent School Fund. The contest will be open to public school students who are in grades 9-12 during the 2018-2019 school year. The winning artist will receive a cash prize of \$3,000 and the runner-up will receive \$1,000.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the State Board of Education Support Division at (512) 463-9007.

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL INITIATIVES

11. Review of the Commissioner of Education's Generation 23 Charter Proposals

The board endorsed four new charter schools approved by the commissioner. They are Elementary School for Education Innovation (Lubbock); Bloom Academy Charter School (Houston); Promesa Academy Charter School (San Antonio); and Rêve Preparatory Academy (Houston). The schools will open in the 2019-2020 school year.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Charter Schools Division at (512) 463-9575.

12. Development of a Long-Range Plan for Public Education

The board authorized the Texas Comprehensive Center at the American Institutes of Research and Texas Education Agency staff to move forward with drafting a Long-Range Plan for Public Education based on the vision statements and recommendations proposed by the Long-Range Plan Steering Committee.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the State Board of Education Support Division at (512) 463-9007.