

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee on Instruction
January 28, 2016**

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 9:12 a.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2016, 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:

Presiding: 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.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum, §74.5, Academic Achievement Record (Transcript) and High School Diploma

(First Reading and Filing Authorization)

(Board agenda page II-1)

[Consent agenda item #(1)]

Shelly Ramos, curriculum division director, explained that this item would update the rules on the academic achievement record to align with recent legislative changes that eliminated the requirement that certain information be identified on the high school diploma.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Maynard, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum, §74.5, Academic Achievement Record (Transcript) and High School Diploma.*

2. **Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 126, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Technology Applications, Subchapter D, Other Technology Applications Courses, §126.65, Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science Principles (One Credit), Adopted 2016**

(First Reading and Filing Authorization)

(Board agenda page II-7)

[Consent agenda item #(2)]

Ms. Ramos stated that this item proposed adding a new Advanced Placement computer science principles course to the Texas Administrative Code as an option for students to earn credit toward high school graduation requirements. The proposal recommends the course be offered for one credit and include Algebra I as a suggested prerequisite.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Ms. Perez, seconded by Mr. Maynard, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 126, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Technology Applications, Subchapter D, Other Technology Applications Courses, §126.65, Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science Principles (One Credit), Adopted 2016.*

ACTION ITEMS

3. **Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 127, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Career Development, Subchapter B, High School, §127.16, Extended Career Preparation (One Credit), Adopted 2016**

(First Reading and Filing Authorization)

(Board agenda page II-13)

[Official agenda item #10]

Ms. Ramos explained that the proposal would add Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for a new career preparation course to allow students to earn up to a total of three credits each in Career Preparation I and Career Preparation II.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Maynard, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 127, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Career Development, Subchapter B, High School, §127.16, Extended Career Preparation (One Credit), Adopted 2016.*

4. **Proposed Approval of Innovative Courses**

(Board agenda page II-21)

[Official agenda item #11]

Ms. Ramos requested that the item be withdrawn because no applications for innovative courses that require board approval had been received.

CONSENT ITEM

5. Recommendations Regarding Renewal of Instructional Materials Contracts

(Board agenda page II-25)

[Consent agenda item #(3)]

Ms. Callaway explained that the instructional materials contracts for products adopted through *Proclamation 2010* (English and Spanish Language Arts and Reading, English I and II for Speakers of Other Languages, and English Language Proficiency Standards, grades 9-12), will expire on August 31, 2016. This item provided an opportunity for the board to approve a four-year extension of the contracts to ensure that these materials remain available for distribution to school districts until new materials are adopted.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Maynard, seconded by Mrs. Miller, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education renew contracts for instructional materials adopted under Proclamation 2010 in the subject areas and for the periods indicated in Attachment II of the board agenda, II-28.*

DISCUSSION ITEM

6. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter C, Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency

(Board agenda page II-37)

Ms. Martinez explained that the proposed amendments would update the rules related to the administration of high school equivalency examinations by multiple providers, including offering both paper-based and computer-based testing formats; accommodations for applicants with documented disabilities; court-ordered examinations; and fees and other provisions for the issuance of certificates.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 9:56 a.m.