

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee of the Full Board
Wednesday, June 25, 2025**

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 9:03 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, in room, #2.035 of the Barbara Jordan Building, 1601 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present: Aaron Kinsey, chair; Gustavo Reveles; LJ Francis; Marisa B. Perez-Diaz; Staci Childs; Rebecca Bell-Metereau; Will Hickman; Julie Pickren; Audrey Young; Keven Ellis; Tom Maynard; Pam Little; Brandon Hall; Tiffany Clark; Evelyn Brooks

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Commissioner's Comments
(Board agenda page I-39)

Mike Morath, the Commissioner of Education, discussed the most recent STAAR testing results. He also explained current requirements and the application process for new charter schools. Commissioner Morath also provided a summary of each of the Generation 30 charter applicants to be considered as part of a separate item in this agenda. He then provided an update on the 89th Legislative Session and the SBOE priorities and their progress in the Legislature, along with other legislation passed which had an impact on the SBOE, including changes to school funding formulas.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Adoption of Review of 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment, Subchapter A, General Provisions, Subchapter B, Implementation of Assessments, and Subchapter C, Local Option
(Board agenda page I-40)
[Official agenda item #5]

José Ríos, Associate Commissioner of Assessment and Reporting explained that the rules being reviewed address the development and administration of tests, voluntary assessment of private school students, the schedule for the release of tests, and administration and reporting of group-administered achievement tests. There was discussion about methods of amending these rules, which was deemed to be beyond the scope of the posting for this item.

MOTION: *It was moved by Member Francis to recommend that the State Board of Education adopt the review of 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment, Subchapter A, General Provisions, Subchapter B, Implementation of Assessments, and Subchapter C, Local Option.*

Member Brooks requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	Yes
Member Francis	Yes
Member Perez-Diaz	Yes
Member Childs	Absent
Member Bell-Metereau	Yes
Member Hickman	Yes

Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	Yes
Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	Yes
Member Hall	Yes

Member Clark	Yes
Member Brooks	No

Chair Kinsey	
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The motion was adopted 12-1.

3. **Consideration of the Commissioner of Education's Generation 30 Open-Enrollment Charter School Proposals**

(Board agenda page I-21)

[Official agenda item #6]

Marian Schutte, Deputy Associate Commissioner, Authorizing and Policy, noted that this item provides the committee and board an opportunity to review and take action or no action on the commissioner's list of proposed Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter Schools scheduled to open in the 2026-2027 school year. If awarded, the charters will have an initial five-year term.

The list of proposed schools is as follows:

- Arcadia High School (Houston)
- Fort Worth STEAM Academy (Fort Worth);
- Frank Liu Jr. Academy for Music and Arts (Houston);
- The Museum School of East Dallas (Dallas);
- Unidos Soccer Leadership Academy (San Antonio); and
- Valenta Academy (Bastrop)

Invited and public testimony was heard.

Arcadia High School (Houston)

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Arcadia High School (Houston) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	No
Member Francis	Yes
Member Perez-Diaz	Abstain
Member Childs	Yes
Member Bell-Metereau	Abstain
Member Hickman	Abstain
Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	Yes

Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	No
Member Hall	Yes
Member Clark	No
Member Brooks	No
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was adopted 7-4, with 3 abstaining.

Fort Worth STEAM Academy (Fort Worth)

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Fort Worth STEAM Academy (Fort Worth) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	No
Member Francis	Yes
Member Perez-Diaz	Yes
Member Childs	Yes
Member Bell-Metereau	No
Member Hickman	Abstain
Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	Yes

Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	Yes
Member Hall	Yes
Member Clark	No
Member Brooks	No
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was adopted 9-4, with 1 abstaining.

Frank Liu Jr. Academy for Music and Arts (Houston)

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Frank Liu Jr. Academy for Music and Arts (Houston) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	No
Member Francis	Yes
Member Perez-Diaz	Yes
Member Childs	Yes
Member Bell-Metereau	No
Member Hickman	Yes
Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	Yes

Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	No
Member Hall	Yes
Member Clark	No
Member Brooks	No
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was adopted 9-5.

The Museum School of East Dallas (Dallas)

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School The Museum School of East Dallas (Dallas) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	No
Member Francis	No
Member Perez-Diaz	No
Member Childs	Abstain
Member Bell-Metereau	No
Member Hickman	Yes
Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	Yes

Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	Yes
Member Hall	Yes
Member Clark	No
Member Brooks	No
Chair Kinsey	

Adopted 7-6 with 1 abstaining.

Unidos Soccer Leadership Academy (San Antonio)

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Unidos Soccer Leadership Academy (San Antonio) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	Yes
Member Francis	No
Member Perez-Diaz	Yes
Member Childs	Yes
Member Bell-Metereau	No
Member Hickman	No
Member Pickren	No
Member Young	No

Member Ellis	No
Member Maynard	No
Member Little	No
Member Hall	Yes
Member Clark	Yes
Member Brooks	No
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was defeated 5-9.

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education **veto** the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Unidos Soccer Leadership Academy (San Antonio) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	No
Member Francis	Yes
Member Perez-Diaz	No
Member Childs	No
Member Bell-Metereau	Yes
Member Hickman	Yes
Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	Yes

Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	Yes
Member Hall	No
Member Clark	No
Member Brooks	Yes
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was adopted 9-5.

Valenta Academy (Bastrop)

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Valenta Academy (Bastrop) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	No
Member Francis	Yes
Member Perez-Diaz	No
Member Childs	No
Member Bell-Metereau	No
Member Hickman	No
Member Pickren	Yes
Member Young	No

Member Ellis	No
Member Maynard	No
Member Little	No
Member Hall	Yes
Member Clark	No
Member Brooks	No
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was defeated 3-11.

MOTION: It was moved by Member Little to recommend that the State Board of Education **veto** on the proposed Generation 30 Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter School Valenta Academy (Bastrop) as recommended by the Commissioner.

Member Reveles requested that the vote be taken by roll call.

Member Reveles	Yes
Member Francis	No
Member Perez-Diaz	Yes
Member Childs	Absent
Member Bell-Metereau	Yes
Member Hickman	Yes
Member Pickren	No
Member Young	Yes

Member Ellis	Yes
Member Maynard	Yes
Member Little	Yes
Member Hall	No
Member Clark	Yes
Member Brooks	Yes
Chair Kinsey	

The motion was adopted 10-3.

Chairman Kinsey adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.