

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee of the Full Board
Tuesday, September 10, 2024**

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, in the State Board of Education Room, #1-104, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present: Aaron Kinsey, chair; Rebecca Bell-Metereau; Evelyn Brooks; Staci Childs; LJ Francis; Patricia Hardy; Will Hickman; Keven Ellis; Pam Little; Tom Maynard; Melissa Ortega; Marisa B. Perez-Diaz; Julie Pickren; Audrey Young

Public Testimony

The Committee of the Full Board heard public testimony on agenda item #1. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Public Hearing Regarding Instructional Materials Submitted for Approval by the State Board of Education Under Instructional Materials Review and Approval Cycle 2024
(Board agenda page I-1)

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Caren Edelstein
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Erica Winsor
AFFILIATION: Jewish Federation of San Antonio

NAME: Susan Nayak
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Terry Kosobud
AFFILIATION: Grandparents for Public Schools

NAME: Sharyn Vane
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Alissa Crabtree
AFFILIATION: Texas Council of Teachers of English Language Arts

NAME: Grace Bonilla
AFFILIATION: Texas Impact

NAME: Kimmie Fink
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Courtney Toretto
AFFILIATION: Anti-Defamation League

NAME: Barbara Baruch
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Mara Bim
AFFILIATION: Faith Commons

NAME: Cindi Castilla
AFFILIATION: Texas Eagle Forum

NAME: Emily Bourgeois
AFFILIATION: Shalom Austin

NAME: Jackie Besinger
AFFILIATION: National Alliance for Education Freedom

NAME: Nancy Kasten
AFFILIATION: Faith Commons

NAME: Tammy Fogle
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Linda Litzinger
AFFILIATION: Texas Parent to Parent

NAME: Amy Litzinger
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Liz Case
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Jonathan Davis
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Amy Ramsey
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Katherine Schaeffer
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Mary Spradlin
AFFILIATION: Pastors for Texas Children

NAME: Robert Norris
AFFILIATION: Grandparents for Public Schools

NAME: Debra Hughey
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Hayden Cohen
AFFILIATION: Students Engaging in Advancing Texas

NAME: Lisa Jacob
AFFILIATION: Baptist Joint Committee

NAME: Jacqueline Freeman
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Emerald Belmarez
AFFILIATION: Texas Freedom Network

NAME: Luke Parkitny
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Elizabeth McManus
AFFILIATION: Jubilee Episcopal Church

NAME: William Collins
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Francine Erickson
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Linda Cross
AFFILIATION: Royal Lane Baptist Church

NAME: Hayden Paul
AFFILIATION: Jubilee Episcopal Church

NAME: Keisha Russell
AFFILIATION: First Liberty Institute

NAME: Upneet Kaur
AFFILIATION: Sikh Coalition

NAME: Sandeep Mangat
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Madeline Steubing
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Alice Linahan
AFFILIATION: Women On The Wall

NAME: Mary Castle
AFFILIATION: Texas Values

NAME: Mara Nathan
AFFILIATION: Temple Beth-El

NAME: Aaron Harris
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Marcia Strickler-Watson
AFFILIATION: Citizens Defending Freedom

NAME: Rubinder Kaur
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Sarah Macias
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Kim Batchelor
AFFILIATION: Texas Christians for Reproductive Justice

NAME: Robert Baumgardner
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Melinda Preston
AFFILIATION: County Citizens Defending Freedom

NAME: Aron Ra
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Brenda Howard
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Courtnie Bagley
AFFILIATION: Texas Public Policy Foundation

NAME: Donna Smith
AFFILIATION: Citizens Defending Freedom

NAME: Christie Slape
AFFILIATION: Moms for Liberty – Williamson County

NAME: Jonathan Greer
AFFILIATION: Royal Lane Baptist Church

NAME: Ross Halfant

AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Lisa Epstein
AFFILIATION: Jewish Federation of San Antonio

NAME: Paul Colbert
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Amanda Tyler
AFFILIATION: Baptist Joint Committee for Religious

NAME: Mark Chancey
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Anita Tyler
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Cathy Sweeney
AFFILIATION: Arapaho United Methodist Church

NAME: Allison Berker
AFFILIATION: Individual

NAME: Cynthia Barrows
AFFILIATION: Texas Freedom Network

NAME: Jennifer Bates
AFFILIATION: Arapaho United Methodist

NAME: Al Lindsey
AFFILIATION: Christians Against Christian Nationalism

NAME: Arshia Papari
AFFILIATION: Individual

A public hearing before the State Board of Education (SBOE) where testimony is presented regarding instructional materials submitted for approval in response to the Request for Instructional Materials (RFIM) for Instructional Materials Review and Approval (IMRA) Cycle 2025. This RFIM called for instructional materials for instructional materials for full-subject, tier-one instructional materials for K–5 English and Spanish language arts and reading and K–12 mathematics and partial-subject, tier-one instructional materials for K–3 English and Spanish phonics.

2. Update on the Review of the Instructional Materials Submitted for Approval by the State Board of Education Under Instructional Materials Review and Approval Cycle 2024
(Board agenda page I-2)

Colin Dempsey, director, district operations, technology & sustainability supports, explained this item provides the opportunity for the board to discuss the Request for Instructional Materials (RFIM) that was issued in February 2024, calling for instructional materials for full-subject, tier-one instructional

materials for K–5 English and Spanish language arts and reading and K–12 mathematics and partial-subject, tier-one instructional materials for K–3 English and Spanish phonics. All materials submitted in response to RFIM 2024 were reviewed for standards alignment, quality and suitability in summer 2024. Instructional materials are scheduled for approval by the SBOE in November 2024. This item provided an opportunity for staff to update the board on the status of the IMRA Cycle 2024 instructional materials review. Texas Education Code §31.022.

Additionally, staff presented to the board an after-action review on the current year’s cycle, including IMRA rubrics, instructional materials selection for this cycle and IMRA reviewer selection.

ACTION ITEM

- 3. Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 67, State Review and Approval of Instructional Materials, Subchapter B, State Review and Approval, §67.43, Lists of Approved and Rejected Instructional Materials
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)
(Board agenda page I-4)
[Official agenda item #3]**

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 4. Discussion of the Schedule for Future Instructional Materials Review and Approval Cycles and Future Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills Review and Revision**
(Board agenda page I-9)

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

- 5. Discussion of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills Certification Process: The Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials**
(Board agenda page I-12)

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

- 6. Discussion of Draft Quality Rubrics for Instructional Materials Review and Approval Cycle 2025**
(Board agenda page I-13)

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

ACTION ITEMS

- 7. Approval of Updates to and Ratification of Standards- Alignment Percentages of Instructional Materials Adopted Under *Proclamation 2024***
(Board agenda page I-15)

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

8. **Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 67, State Review and Approval of Instructional Materials, Subchapter B, State Review and Approval, §67.25, Consideration and Approval of Instructional Materials by the State Board of Education (First Reading and Filing Authorization)**
(Board agenda page I-18)
[Official agenda item #5]

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

DISCUSSION ITEM

8. **Discussion of Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 67, State Review and Approval of Instructional Materials, Subchapter B, State Review and Approval, §67.27, IMRA Reviewers: Eligibility and Appointment; §67.29, IMRA Reviewers: Training, Duties, and Conduct; §67.31, Procedures for Public Access to and Handling of IMRA Samples; §67.33, Public Comment on Instructional Materials; §67.39, Updates to Approved Instructional Materials; and §67.41, New Editions of Approved Instructional Materials; and Subchapter C, Local Operations, §67.61, Sample Copies of Instructional Materials for School Districts; §67.63, Selection and Local Adoption of Instructional Materials by School Districts; and §67.69, Local Review of Classroom Instructional Materials**
(Board agenda page I-22)

This item was postponed to the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Full Board.

Chairman Kinsey adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.