

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee of the Full Board
January 29, 2020**

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 1:08 p.m. on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, 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: Keven Ellis, chair; Lawrence A. Allen, Jr.; Donna Bahorich; Barbara Cargill; Aicha Davis; Pat Hardy; Pam Little; Tom Maynard; Sue Melton-Malone; Ken Mercer; Georgina C. Pérez; Marisa B. Perez-Diaz; Matt Robinson; Marty Rowley

Absent: Ruben Cortez, Jr.

Public Testimony

The Committee of the Full Board heard public testimony on agenda items #1, #2 and #3. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Amendments to *Proclamation 2021* of the State Board of Education Advertising for Bids on Instructional Materials**
(Board agenda page I-138)
[Official agenda item #7]

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Jennifer Burchfiel
AFFILIATION: Dallas Independent School District (ISD)

NAME: Keila Carrillo
AFFILIATION: Dallas ISD

Kelly Callaway, senior director, instructional materials, explained that the item provided an opportunity for the State Board of Education (SBOE) to amend *Proclamation 2021* to reflect revisions to 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 66, State Adoption of Distribution of Instructional Materials, Subchapter B, State Adoption of Instructional Materials, adopted by the SBOE in November 2019. *Proclamation 2021* calls for instructional materials for prekindergarten.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Ms. Perez-Diaz, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve proposed amendments to Proclamation 2021 of the State Board of Education Advertising for Bids on Instructional Materials.*

2. Update on Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) Review
(Board agenda page I-139)
[Official agenda item #8]

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Molly Clayton
AFFILIATION: Texas Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

NAME: Karen Johnson
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Ann Mulvihill
AFFILIATION: Metroplex Area Science Supervisors

NAME: Jennifer Goss
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Linda Cook
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Terry Ward
AFFILIATION: Texas Science Education Leadership Association

NAME: Sandra West
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Meredith Bell
AFFILIATION: Self

NAME: Evan Whitfield
AFFILIATION: Coppell ISD

Monica Martinez, associate commissioner, standards and support services, provided an update on the review process for the health education and physical education TEKS. Ms. Martinez shared upcoming activities related to the review. She also provided an update on the review and revision of the science TEKS and provided an overview of the science content advisor consensus recommendations as well as preliminary results from the science TEKS survey.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Cargill, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried to recommend that the State Board of Education direct the science TEKS review work groups to strongly consider maintaining the language in Biology student expectations 7.B, 4.A, and 6.A as well as 3.A.*

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Cargill, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried to recommend that the State Board of Education direct the science TEKS review work groups to standardize the language of student expectation 3.A in Biology, Chemistry, IPC, and Physics in all other high school science courses.*

MOTION: *It was moved by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Ms. Perez-Diaz to recommend that the State Board of Education direct the science TEKS review work groups to consider how the K-12*

Framework and the Next Generation Science Standards might be incorporated, integrated, or used as a resource in the existing science TEKS that they are reviewing.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Dr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Mercer, and carried unanimously to amend the motion to read:*

“direct the science TEKS review work groups to consider how the K-12 Framework and the Next Generation Science Standards will be ~~incorporated, integrated, or~~ used as a resource in the existing science TEKS that they are reviewing.”

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Little, seconded by Mrs. Cargill, and carried unanimously to amend the motion to read:*

“direct the science TEKS review work groups to consider how the K-12 Framework and the Next Generation Science Standards will be used as a resource to inform recommendations for revision of the in the existing science TEKS that they are reviewing.”

VOTE: *A vote was taken on the original motion to recommend that the State Board of Education direct the science TEKS review work groups to consider how the K-12 Framework and the Next Generation Science Standards will be used as a resource to inform recommendations for revision of the science TEKS. The motion carried unanimously.*

3. **Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 61, School Districts, Subchapter B, Special Purpose School Districts, §61.101, Applicability of State Law for Special Purpose School Districts (First Reading and Filing Authorization)**
(Board agenda page I-142)
[Official agenda item #9]

Ms. Martinez explained that this item provided an opportunity for the committee to further discuss rules regarding The University of Texas (UT) at Austin High School and Texas Tech University (TTU) K-12 special purpose school districts. Dr. Ellis stated his intent to postpone action on the item.

Public testimony was provided by the following individuals:

NAME: Beth Cooper
AFFILIATION: UT Austin High School

NAME: Justin Louder
AFFILIATION: TTU K-12

Dr. Ellis stated his intent to appoint an ad hoc committee to review outstanding issues. The committee asked that TEA staff, representatives of the universities, and the ad hoc committee work together to prepare proposed rule text for consideration in April.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. Discussion of *Proclamation 2022* of the State Board of Education Advertising for Bids on Instructional Materials

(Board agenda page I-146)

Ms. Callaway requested that committee members review the draft proclamation before the April meeting and decide if the courses included in the draft are the courses the board wishes to include in the proclamation.

5. Discussion of Character Traits Instruction

(Board agenda page I-151)

Ms. Martinez provided an overview of recent legislation that requires the State Board of Education (SBOE) to integrate, as appropriate, positive character traits into the essential knowledge and skills adopted for kindergarten through grade 12. She outlined where in the standards character traits are currently addressed and provided two options for the board to consider to address the remaining character traits. The board asked that staff create a new section in the administrative code to address this new requirement.

6. Discussion of Perkins Reauthorization and State Plan

(Board agenda page I-152)

Heather Justice, director, college, career, and military preparation, provided an overview of the draft Texas Perkins V four-year career and technical education state plan. She explained steps that were taken to develop the draft and stated that the plan will be submitted to the SBOE for approval at the April board meeting prior to submission to the U.S. Department of Education in spring 2020.

7. Discussion of Pending Litigation

(Board agenda page I-154)

The committee did not discuss pending litigation; therefore, no executive session was held.

Dr. Ellis adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.