

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Summary of Actions
September 2, 2020

The State Board of Education met virtually on September 2, 2020 and took the actions described below. Additional information about each agenda item can be found at <https://tea.texas.gov/node/422751>.

1. Approval of Consent Agenda

(1) Ratification of the Purchases and Sales of the Investment Portfolio of the Permanent School Fund for the Months of May and June 2020

The board ratified the purchases and sales of investments executed in the portfolio of the Permanent School Fund for the months of May and June 2020 in the amounts of \$895,238,762 and \$1,065,447,343, respectively.

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

(2) Determination as to Whether Transfers May be Made from the Permanent School Fund to the Available School Fund

The board approved a distribution to the Available School Fund of approximately \$1.102 billion for fiscal year 2021.

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

(3) Proposed Amendments to the Investment Procedures Manual

The board approved the amendments to the Investment Procedures Manual as presented by staff.

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

(4) Review of the Permanent School Fund Real Estate Policy and Tactical Plan

The board approved the proposed Real Estate Annual Tactical Plan as presented.

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

(5) Authorization to Issue a Request for Proposals for Emerging Manager Investment Management in the Private Equity and Real Estate Asset Classes for the Permanent School Fund

The board approved the issuance of the Request for Proposals for Investment Management Services for a Private Equity Emerging Manager program and a Private Real Estate Emerging Manager program for the Texas Permanent School Fund and the State Board of Education.

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

(6) Recommendation for Appointments to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees

The board approved the appointment of Ms. Glenda M. Solomon to serve a two-year term of office, from September 2, 2020, to September 2, 2022, on the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the School Governance Division at (512) 475-3697.

(7) Recommendation for Appointment to the Boys Ranch School Independent School District Board of Trustees

The board approved the re-appointment of Mr. Robert Marshall to serve a two-year term of office, from November 16, 2020, to November 16, 2022, on the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the School Governance Division at (512) 475-3697.

COMMITTEE OF THE FULL BOARD

- 2. 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
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)**

The board approved for second reading and final adoption 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; and made an affirmative finding that immediate adoption of 19 TAC Chapter 61, School Districts, Subchapter B, Special Purpose School Districts, §61.101, Applicability of State Law for Special Purpose School Districts, is necessary and shall have an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register. The new rule identifies provisions of the Texas Education Code (TEC) that are not applicable to the special purpose school districts operated by Texas Tech University (TTU) and The University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin).

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

- 3. Approval of Proclamation 2022 Questions and Answers**

The board approved the *Proclamation 2022* Questions and Answers as presented.

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

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

- 4. Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum, §74.1, Essential Knowledge and Skills, and §74.3, Description of a Required Secondary Curriculum
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)**

The board approved for second reading and final adoption the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum, §74.1, Essential Knowledge and Skills, and §74.3, Description of a Required Secondary Curriculum; and made an affirmative finding that immediate adoption of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum, §74.1, Essential Knowledge and Skills, and §74.3, Description of a Required Secondary Curriculum, is necessary and shall have an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register. The amendments update the rules to align with recent legislation and with changes to the technology applications and career and technical education (CTE) Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

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

5. Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 120, Other Essential Knowledge and Skills, Subchapter A, Character Traits (Second Reading and Final Adoption)

The board approved for second reading and final adoption proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 120, Other Essential Knowledge and Skills, Subchapter A, Character Traits; and made an affirmative finding that immediate adoption of 19 TAC Chapter 120, Other Essential Knowledge and Skills, Subchapter A, Character Traits, is necessary and shall have an effective date of August 1, 2021. This rule action adds new essential knowledge and skills for positive character traits to align with the requirements in House Bill 1026.

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

6. Report from the Commissioner of Education Regarding Updated TEKS Alignment for Adopted Instructional Materials

The board required all publishers to make corrections listed in the *TEKS Update Report of Required Corrections and the Report of Editorial Changes*; approved changes and corrections submitted in response to written comments and public testimony; and updated the official TEKS percentage for instructional materials reviewed for TEKS Updates on the Instructional Materials Current Adoption Bulletin.

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

7. Approval of Update to Instructional Materials for Learning A–Z

The board approved the request from Learning A–Z to update content in three of its adopted products *Raz Plus ELL Texas Edition*, Kindergarten; *Raz Plus ELL Texas Edition*, grade 1; and *Raz Plus ELL Texas Edition*, grade 2.

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

8. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 66, State Adoption and Distribution of Instructional Materials, Subchapter A, General Provisions, §66.15, Administrative Penalty (First Reading and Filing Authorization)

The board approved for first reading and filing authorization a proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 66, State Adoption and Distribution of Instructional Materials, Subchapter A, General Provisions, §66.15, Administrative Penalty. The proposed amendment would address penalties for failure to comply with state law and rule governing review and adoption of instructional materials.

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

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL INITIATIVES

9. Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations Related to Trustee Team Building Training

The board postponed action on the *Recommended Revisions to School Board Member Training – Framework for School Board Development* to the November 2020 meeting.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the School Governance Division at (512) 475-3697.