

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on Instruction  
January 30, 2014**

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 11:06 a.m. on Thursday, January 30, 2014, in Room #1-104 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

Presiding: Tom Maynard, chair; Sue Melton-Malone, vice chair; Martha M. Dominguez; Geraldine “Tincy” Miller; Marisa B. Perez

Non-Committee Members Present: Pat Hardy

**Public Testimony**

This item provides an opportunity for the public to present testimony at the time the related item comes up for committee discussion or action. The procedures for registering and taking public testimony at State Board of Education committee meetings and general board meetings are provided at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=25769804094> or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

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

**ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.24, Credit by Examination**  
(Second Reading and Final Adoption)  
(Board agenda page II-1)  
[Official agenda item #9]

Monica Martinez, associate commissioner for standards and programs, explained that numerous comments were received regarding the proposed rules.

Public testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Dr. Jim Wussow  
AFFILIATION: Plano ISD

**MOTION:** *It was moved by Dr. Dominguez and seconded by Ms. Perez to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.24, Credit by Examination, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Dr. Dominguez, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education amend §74.24(c)(3) and add new §74.24(c)(4) to read as follows:*

*“Examinations developed by Texas Tech University and The University of Texas at Austin for courses that do not have a state end-of-course assessment shall meet all requirements of paragraph (2) of this subsection not later than the 2018-2019 school year for each of its examinations offered for credit.”*

*“District-developed examinations for courses that do not have a state end-of course assessment shall meet all requirements of paragraph (2) of this subsection no later than the 2018-2019 school year for each of its examinations offering credit.”*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Perez, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education amend the language in §74.24(a)(1) to read as follows:*

*“A school district must provide at least one window to test ~~three days~~ between January 1 and March 31, one window to test ~~three days~~ between April 1 and June 30, one window to test ~~three days~~ between July 1 and September 30, and one window to test ~~three days~~ between October 1 and December 31 annually when each examination for acceleration for each primary school grade level and for credit for secondary school academic subjects required under Texas Education Code, §28.023, shall be administered in Grades 1-12 unless the examination has an administration date that is established by an entity other than the school district. A student may take a specific examination only once during each ~~three-day~~ window. ~~The days do not need to be consecutive but~~ testing window must be designed to meet the needs of all students. The dates must be publicized in the community.”*

**VOTE:** *A vote was taken on the main motion. It carried unanimously.*

2. **Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.38, Requirements for Instruction in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)**  
(First Reading and Filing Authorization)  
(Board agenda page II-9)  
[Official agenda item #10]

Monica Martinez, associate commissioner for standards and programs, explained that House Bill 897 requires the board to adopt rules requiring instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for students in grades 7–12 at least once before graduation.

**MOTION:** *It was moved by Mrs. Melton-Malone and seconded by Mrs. Miller to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.38, Requirements for Instruction in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).*

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mrs. Miller, seconded by Dr. Dominguez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education amend §74.38(f) to read as follows:*  
*“This section applies to any student who entered Grade 7 in the 2010-2011 ~~2009-2010~~ school year and thereafter.”*

**VOTE:** *A vote was taken on Mrs. Melton-Malone's original motion, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.*

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**3. Discussion of the Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency**  
(Board agenda page II-13)

Stacy Avery, Texas GED state administrator, federal and state education policy division, presented data on the close-out of the 2002 GED Test Series, provided an update on progress in the implementation of the new 2014 test series and computer-based testing, and reviewed the potential timeline for the request for proposal (RFP) process.

**4. Review of 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations**  
(Board agenda page II-15)

Monica Martinez, associate commissioner for standards and programs, explained that 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapters A-D are undergoing the required four-year rule review. Ms. Martinez stated that staff will prepare an item for the proposed repeal of rules related to adult basic and secondary education and an item to make necessary amendments to another section of the rule to be presented at the April SBOE meeting.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 1:18 p.m.