

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on School Initiatives  
November 20, 2014**

The State Board of Education Committee on School Initiatives met at 10:13 a.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2014, in Room #1-111 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

Presiding: Donna Bahorich, chair; Marty Rowley, vice chair; Barbara Cargill; Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Mavis B. Knight

**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://tea.texas.gov/index4.aspx?id=25769804094&menuid=25769804716> or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

The Committee on School Initiatives received no presentations of public testimony.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**1. Recommendation for Appointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees**

(Board agenda page IV-1)  
[Consent agenda item #(6)]

Ron Rowell, director, school governance, presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding an appointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education approve the appointment of Mr. Robert W. Marshall, to serve a two-year term of office, from November 21, 2014, through November 20, 2016, on the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

**2. Recommendation for Appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees**

(Board agenda page IV-7)  
[Consent agenda item #(7)]

Mr. Rowell presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding an appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend that the State Board of Education approve the appointment of Mr. Patrick Luna, to serve a two-year term of office, from November 21, 2014, through November 20, 2016, on the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

**3. Recommendation for Appointment to the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees**

(Board agenda page IV-29)

[Consent agenda item #(8)]

Mr. Rowell presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding an appointment to the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried by unanimous vote to recommend the State Board of Education approve the reappointments of Dr. Laura J. Munro and Dr. Kevin Odom, to serve a two-year term of office from November 21, 2014, through November 20, 2016, on the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

**ACTION ITEMS**

**4. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, and Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments**

(Board agenda page IV-59)

[Official agenda item #15]

Marilyn Cook, director, educator testing and certification, presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, and Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *By unanimous consent, the Committee on School Initiatives recommends that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 231, Requirements for Public School Personnel Assignments, Subchapter B, Prekindergarten-Grade 6 Assignments, and Subchapter C, Grades 6-8 Assignments. Mrs. Cargill was not present for the vote.*

**5. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, §§233.1, 233.2, 233.6, 233.7, and 233.13**

(Board agenda page IV-79)

[Official agenda item #16]

Ms. Cook presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, §§233.1, 233.2, 233.6, 233.7, and 233.13.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *By unanimous consent, the Committee on School Initiatives recommends that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 233, Categories of Classroom Teaching Certificates, §§233.1, General Authority; 233.2, Generalist; 233.6, Bilingual Education; 233.7, English as a Second Language; and 233.13, Career and Technical Education (certificates not requiring experience and preparation in a skill area). Mrs. Cargill was not present for the vote.*

**6. Review of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.16, Eligibility of Persons with Criminal Convictions for a Certificate under Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 53**

(Board agenda page IV-89)

[Official agenda item #17]

Laura Moriarty, administrative law judge, legal services, presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceeding, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.16, Eligibility of Persons with Criminal Convictions for a Certificate under Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 53.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *By unanimous consent, the Committee on School Initiatives recommends that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 249, Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases, Subchapter B, Enforcement Actions and Guidelines, §249.15, Disciplinary Action by State Board for Educator Certification, and §249.16, Eligibility of Persons with Criminal Convictions for a Certificate under Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 53.*

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**7. Charter School Update**

(Board agenda page IV-99)

Heather Mauzé, director, division of charter school administration, provided updates to the Committee on School Initiatives relative to charter activity since the September board meeting. Ms. Mauzé responded to committee members' questions.

**8. Update on the Long-Range Plan for Public Education**

(Board agenda page IV-101)

Marty Rowley, chair of the ad hoc committee on the Long-Range Plan for Public Education, advised the committee that the ad hoc committee is recommending to the board that a long-range plan be created. The plan will be organized around internal, external and global goals, the details of which are provided in the November 20, 2014, minutes of the ad hoc committee. The tentative timeline calls for the ad hoc committee to present its findings and recommendations to the board at the April meeting. After determining the development process, the board would begin to develop the actual long-range plan in the summer of 2015, with January 2016 as the target completion date. The next meeting of the ad hoc committee will be at 10:00 a.m. January 27, 2015.

The meeting of the Committee on School Initiatives adjourned at 11:20 a.m.