

Minutes

Standards, Learning, and Accountability (SLA) Committee Meeting

Date

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

Time

10:00 a.m.

Location

**Room 806, Rutledge Building
1429 Senate Street
Columbia, SC 29201**

Dr. Ivan Randolph, Chair

***Dr. Julie Fowler, Deputy Superintendent for College and Career Readiness and
Staff Liaison to the Committee***

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I. Welcome and Determination of a Quorum

Dr. Ivan Randolph, Committee Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. A quorum was present.

Standards, Learning, and Accountability Committee (SLA) members in attendance were Ivan Randolph, PhD, Eighth Judicial Circuit; Thomas Shortt, EdD, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit; Mike Brennan, Governor's Appointee; and Jeff Kubu, Tenth Judicial Circuit, on phone conference.

Standards, Learning, and Accountability Committee (SLA) member Dr. Sharon Wall, Eleventh Circuit, was absent.

State Board member Danny Varat, PhD, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, was also in attendance.

South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) staff in attendance were Julie Gore Fowler, PhD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of College and Career Readiness; Barbara A. Drayton, Deputy General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Division for Legal Affairs; Susan Creighton, Education Associate, Office of Assessment, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness; Sheila Quinn, EdD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness; Judy Hair, Administrative Assistant, Office of Assessment, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness; Marlene Sellars, Program Assistant, Office of Special Education Services, Division of College and Career Readiness; John Payne, Director, Office of Special Education Services, Division of College and Career Readiness; Daniel Ralyea,

Director, Office of Research and Data Analysis, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness;
and Crystal Dennis, Minutes Taker, Division of College and Career Readiness.

II. Recognition of Visitors, Including News Media

Chair Randolph welcomed the following visitors to the SLA Committee meeting: Toni Chewning, Palmetto State Teachers Association (PSTA); Craig King, PSTA; and Kathy Maness, PSTA. There were no news media in attendance.

III. Approval of Committee Minutes for October 14, 2015

Chair Randolph asked if there were any objections to approving the minutes for the SLA meeting on October 14, 2015, as presented. Hearing none, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

IV. Approval of Committee Agenda for November 10, 2015

Chair Randolph asked if there were any objections to approving the agenda for the SLA meeting on November 10, 2015, as presented. Hearing none, the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

V. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

VI. Board Items

FOR APPROVAL

01. Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-262 (R.43-262), Assessment Program (First Reading)—Susan Creighton, Education Associate, Office of Assessment, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness.

Susan Creighton gave a report to request approval to eliminate Section H that designates specific gateway courses. The removal of this section will allow for more flexibility in the selection of administered courses and the ability to make changes more expeditiously. Ms. Creighton reported that they will resubmit the ESEA Waiver to add English 1 and Algebra 1 as the end-of-course tests that will be used for federal accountability. Approval would require students who have the same standard to take the end-of-course tests.

This item was approved in committee and will be presented to the Board for first reading.

FOR INFORMATION

02. Update on Statewide Assessment Programs—Susan Creighton, Education Associate,
Office of Assessment, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness

Susan Creighton gave a report to provide an update of the status of statewide assessment programs.

VII. Consent Agenda

There were no items placed on the Consent Agenda.

VIII. Other Business

There was no other business.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.