

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2005  
RUTLEDGE STATE OFFICE BUILDNG  
BASEMENT AUDITORIUM  
9:00 A.M.  
MINUTES**

The State Board of Education held its March meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, March 9, 2005, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. Mike Forrester, Chair; Mr. Joe Isaac, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Ms. Rebecca R. Burch; Dr. Anne S. Crook; Mr. Jessie R. Curtis; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. Marion B. Lee; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Dr. Dennis J. Nielsen; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mrs. Terrye Seckinger; Mr. Phillip Shoopman; Ms. Diane Sumpter; and Ms. Virginia Wilson. Mr. Ron Wilson and Dr. Kristi Woodall were absent.

**WELCOME**

The meeting was brought to order by Chair Forrester. The audience was asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Terrye Seckinger moved for approval of the minutes of the February 9, 2005, State Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Brenda Fort and approved by the Board.

**APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA**

Ms. Victoria Belin moved for approval of the agenda for March 9, 2005. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rebecca Burch and approved by the Board.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA**

Chair Forrester recognized Senator Greg Ryberg, who attended the Board meeting on behalf of Ms. Elizabeth Victor. Ms. Victor was being honored by the State Board. There was no news media present.

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**AWARDS TO RETIRING STATE BOARD MEMBER**

Dr. Mary Jones, Fifth Judicial Circuit, was recognized upon her retirement from the State Board of Education. Dr. Jones was unable to be present at the Board meeting.

**RECOGNITION OF NEW STATE BOARD MEMBER**

Chair Forrester introduced the new Board member, Ms. Diane Sumpter of Columbia. Ms. Sumpter replaced Dr. Mary Jones on the Fifth Judicial Circuit. Since Ms. Sumpter had already signed the Oath of Office on February 28, 2005, the Oath of Office was not administered.

**STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT**

**RECOGNITION OF STUDENT WHO DEVELOPED GIRLS AGAINST BULLIES (GAB)**

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Ms. Elizabeth (Liz) Victor for developing Girls Against Bullies (GAB) under the umbrella of the Aiken County Teen Pregnancy Prevention Council. Ms. Victor has been named one of our state's distinguished finalists in the tenth annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program. Her program focuses on such topics as the definition of bullying, specific bullying behaviors, the effects of bullying, and resources available to students.

Ms. Victor thanked the State Board for being asked to attend the Board meeting. After leaving the State Board of Education meeting, Ms. Victor visited the State Capitol, where she was recognized by the full Senate.

Ms. Tenenbaum presented Ms. Victor with a certificate.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Ms. Victoria Belin, Chair  
Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee**

**Dr. Kristi Woodall, Chair  
Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee**

**Ms. Rebecca Burch, Chair  
Finance and Legislative Committee**

**Mr. Mike Forrester, Chair  
Educational Policy Committee**

**56**    **Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee**—Ms. Victoria Belin reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (TRTC) met on Tuesday, March 8, 2005.

**01.**    **Approval of Agenda for March 8, 2005**—Ms. Belin reported that the agenda for the March 8, 2005, meeting was approved.

**02.**    **Approval of Minutes for February, 2005**—Ms. Belin reported that the minutes for the February 8, 2005, meeting were approved.

**03.**    **TRTC Committee Meeting Overview**—Ms. Belin reported that Dr. Janice Poda, Senior Director, Division of Teacher Quality, gave a brief overview of the items that were to be presented to the TRTC Committee.

**04.**    **Policy Guidelines for South Carolina Teacher Education Units (2002) (Second Reading)**

On behalf of the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee, Ms. Belin moved that the State Board of Education approve the Policy Guidelines for South Carolina Teacher Education Units (2002) (Second Reading), as amended.

The motion did not require a second because it came from a committee. The motion carried.

**05.**    **Consent Agenda**

No items were placed on the consent agenda

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55. **Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee**—Dr. Anne Crook on behalf of Dr. Kristi Woodall reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, March 8, 2005.
01. **Approval of Agenda for March 8, 2005**—Dr. Crook reported that the Agenda for February 8, 2005, was approved.
02. **Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2005**—Dr. Crooke reported that the minutes of the February 8, 2005, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.
03. **Curriculum and Instructional Materials Meeting Overview**— Dr. Crook reported that Ms. Lucinda Saylor, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Curriculum Services and Assessment, gave a brief overview of the items that were to be presented to the Curriculum and Instruction Committee
04. **Recommendations for Appointments to the 2005 Instructional Materials Review Panels**
- On behalf of the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee, Dr. Crook moved that the State Board of Education approve the recommendations for instructional Materials Review Panel members.
- The motion did not require a second because it came from a committee.  
The motion carried
06. **Consent Agenda**—Dr. Woodall reported that item 55-05 was placed on the consent agenda:
54. **Finance and Legislative Committee**—Ms. Rebecca Burch reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, March 8, 2005.
01. **Approval of Agenda for March 8, 2005**—Ms. Burch reported that the agenda for the March 8, 2005, meeting was approved.
02. **Approval of Minutes for February 8, 2005**—Ms. Burch reported that the minutes for February 8, 2005, Finance and Legislative Committee, were approved.
03. **Finance and Legislative Committee Meeting Overview**—Ms. Burch reported that Mr. John Cooley, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Finance and Operations, presented an overview of the items on the Committee Agenda.

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04. **Consent Agenda**—No items were placed on the consent agenda.

05. **Other Business**

Ms. Burch reported that the following items were presented for information.

- State Board of Education Financial Statements
- Legislative Update

52. **Educational Policy Committee**—Mr. Forrester reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, March 8, 2005.

01. **Approval of Agenda for February 8, 2005**—Mr. Forrester reported that the agenda for the March 8, 2005, meeting was approved.

02. **Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2005**—Mr. Forrester reported that the minutes for the February 8, 2005, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

03. **Education Policy Committee Overview**—Mr. Forrester reported that Dale Stuckey, Chief Counsel, Office of General Counsel, on behalf of Mrs. Ellen Still, presented an overview of the items before the Committee.

04. **External Review Team Reports**

On behalf of the Educational Policy Committee, Mr. Forrester moved that the State Board of Education approve the External Review Team Reports.

The motion did not require a second because it came from a committee. The motion carried.

05. **House and Senate Requests Regarding State Board of Education Regulations, if needed**

There were no requests received from the House of Representatives or the Senate by the Board to withdraw, amend, or resubmit any State Board of Education Regulations.

07. **Consent Agenda**—Mr. Forrester reported that no items were placed on the consent agenda.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following item was approved by the Board without further debate upon a motion by Mr. Marion Lee, seconded by Mr. Joe Isaac.

**55-05 Guidelines for Extenuating Circumstances R 43-274 (First Reading)**

Motion that the State Board of Education approve the Guidelines for Extenuating Circumstances R 43-274 for First Reading.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

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Chair

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Secretary