

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Columbia, South Carolina**

**February 12, 2003**

The State Board of Education held its February meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, February 12, 2003, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. Greg Killian, Chair; Dr. Mary E. Jones, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Mr. Carlos A. Cervantes; Dr. Anne S. Crook; Mr. Clarence Dickert; Mr. Mike Forrester; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr.; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Mr. James Mattos; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger; Mrs. Rebecca Smith; Mr. Chris Verenes; and Mrs. Kristi Woodall. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education.

**OPENING**

Former Chair J. Spratt White led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2003**

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the minutes of the January 8, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickert and then approved by the Board.

**APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA**

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mattos and approved by the Board.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA**

Chair Killian welcomed the visitors present. Mrs. Paula Gray introduced Bill Robinson, *The State*.

**AWARDS TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBER(S)**

Chair Killian recognized Mrs. Gail Moss, Seventh Judicial Circuit, and Mr. J. Spratt White, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit. On behalf of the Board and the citizens of these Judicial Circuits, Chair Killian thanked Mrs. Moss and Mr. White for their service and presented them with a certificate. Mr. White was also given a plaque for his service as Chair of the Board in 2002.

**RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS/OATH OF OFFICE**

Chair Killian introduced new Board members, Mr. Paul M. (Mike) Forrester of Spartanburg, Seventh Judicial Circuit; and Mrs. Kristi Woodall of Union, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit.

Chair Killian administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Forrester and Mrs. Woodall.

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"I do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified according to the Constitution of this State, to exercise the duties of the office to which I have been appointed, and that I will to the best of my ability, discharge the duties thereof, and preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of this State and of the United States. So help me God."

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Superintendent Tenenbaum introduced Dr. Arthur Stellar, President, The Horace Mann League. On behalf of the Horace Mann League, Dr. Stellar presented a framed print of Horace Mann to Superintendent Tenenbaum and the Board acknowledging their outstanding efforts to improve and advance public schools in every city and every district across South Carolina.

**REPORT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Superintendent Tenenbaum introduced Dr. Alveda King, Deputy Secretary's Regional Representative from Region IV of the United States Department of Education. Dr. King brought greetings from the United States Department of Education and told the Board to contact them if they can help in any way.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public speakers for this meeting.

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Mr. Marion B. Lee, Chair**  
**Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee**

**Dr. Harriett Rucker, Chair**  
**Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee**

**Mrs. Kristin Maguire, Chair**  
**Finance and Legislative Committee**

**Mr. Greg Killian, Chair**  
**Educational Policy Committee**

**56. Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee**—Mr. Marion B. Lee reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (*TRTC*) met on Tuesday, February 11, 2003.

**01. Approval of Agenda for February 11, 2003**—Mr. Lee reported that the agenda for the February 11, 2003, meeting was approved.

**02. Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2003, TRTC Committee Meeting**—Mr. Lee reported that the minutes from the January 7, 2003, meeting were approved.

**03. TRTC Committee Meeting Overview**—Mr. Lee reported that Dr. Janice Poda, Senior Director, Division of Teacher Quality, gave a brief overview of the items that were presented to the TRTC Committee and introduced Ms. Jane Turner, the newly appointed director of the Office of Teacher Preparation, Support, and Assessment.

**04. Recommendations for a cut score on ETS ParaPro test for instructional Title I paraprofessionals who need to meet the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act by January 8, 2006 (First Reading)**—Mr. Lee reported that the Office of Teacher Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Teacher Quality recommended that the cut score for South Carolina paraprofessionals be set at 456.

On behalf of the TRTC Committee, Mr. Lee moved that the State Board of Education accept the recommendation to approve the cut score for the ETS ParaPro test for paraprofessionals at 456 (First Reading). The motion was approved by the Board.

Mr. Lee reported that item 56-05 was placed on the consent agenda.

Mr. Lee reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **Report for Proviso 1.15 (SDE: Teachers/temporary or Emergency Certificates)**
- **External Evaluation of the ADEPT System**

**55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee**—Dr. Harriett Rucker reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, February 11, 2003.

**01. Approval of Agenda for February 11, 2003**—Dr. Rucker reported that the agenda for February 11, 2003, was approved.

**02. Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2003**—Dr. Rucker reported that the minutes of the January 7, 2003, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

**54. Finance and Legislative Committee**—Mrs. Kristin Maguire reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, February 11, 2003.

**01. Approval of Agenda for February 11, 2003**—Mrs. Maguire reported that the agenda for the February 11, 2003, meeting was approved.

**02. Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2003**—Mrs. Maguire reported that the minutes of the January 7, 2003, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

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Mrs. Maguire reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**
- **Legislative Update**

**52. Educational Policy Committee**—Chair Killian reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, February 11, 2003.

**01. Approval of Agenda for February 11, 2003**—Chair Killian reported that the agenda for the February 11, 2003, meeting was approved with an amendment to add Item 52-06, House Request regarding State Board of Education Regulation 43-236, Career or Technology Centers/Comprehensive High Schools.

**02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of January 7, 2003**—Chair Killian reported that the minutes for the January 7, 2003, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

Chair Killian reported that items 52-03, 52-04, 52-05, and 52-06 were placed on the consent agenda.

Chair Killian reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **South Carolina Charter School: Five-year Evaluation Report**
- **Update on Adequate Yearly Progress**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items were approved by the Board without further debate upon motion by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mrs. Maguire:

**56-05. Recommended revisions in the criteria for designating geographic areas (schools) for the teacher loan program administered by the South Carolina Student Loan Corporation (First Reading)**

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

**52-03 External Review Team Reports**

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

**52-04. Guidelines for the Unsafe School Choice Option (First Reading)**

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

**52-05. Approval of Amendment to Rules of Governance, BBCA, Policy Committee (First Reading)**

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

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**REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TEACHER LICENSURE ISSUES OF  
FEBRUARY 11, 2003**

Chair-Elect Jones gave a report of the actions taken by the State Board of Education concerning teacher licensure issues in the State of South Carolina on Tuesday, February 11, 2003.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2003**

Mrs. Seckinger moved for the approval of the minutes of the February 11, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

By consent of the Board, the meetings in November 2003 will be held on Wednesday, November 12 and Thursday, November 13 due to a State holiday on Tuesday, November 11, 2003.

Chair Killian appointed the following Board members to serve on the Charter Schools Ad Hoc Committee: Mrs. Seckinger, Chair; Mr. Forrester; Ms. Belin; Mrs. Fort; and Mr. Cervantes.

Chair Killian appointed the following Board members to serve on the ABCTE Ad Hoc Committee: Mr. Lee, Chair; Mr. Hostetler; Mrs. Maguire; and Mrs. Woodall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Mattos moved that the Board adjourn. Mrs. Maguire seconded the motion. There being no further business the Board adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

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Chair

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Secretary