

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**WEDNESDAY, May 11, 2005**  
**9:00 A.M.**  
**RUTLEDGE STATE OFFICE BUILDING—BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**MINUTES**

The State Board of Education (Board) held its May meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, May 11, 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; Dr. Anne Crook; Mr. Jessie Curtis; Mrs. Brenda Fort; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Mr. Ben Mitchell; Dr. Harriett Rucker; Mrs. Terrye Seckinger; Mr. Phillip Shoopman; Ms. Diane Sumpter; Mr. John Tindal; and Mr. Ron Wilson. Absent were Ms. Rebecca Burch, Ms. Virginia Wilson, and Dr. Kristi Woodall.

**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 MINUTES FOR APRIL 12, 2005 AND APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD MEETING FOR APRIL 13, 2005**

Mrs. Brenda Fort moved for approval of the minutes of the April 12, 2005, State Board Public Hearing and the April 13, 2005, State Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ron Wilson and approved by the Board.

**APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA FOR MAY 11, 2005**

Mr. John Tindal moved for approval of the Agenda for the May 11, 2005, State Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Diane Sumpter and was approved by the Board.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND NEWS MEDIA**

Chair Forrester welcomed the visitors present. There were no news media present.

**AWARDS TO RETIRING STATE BOARD MEMBERS**

Chair Forrester recognized Dr. Dennis Nielsen, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit. On behalf of the Board and the citizens of South Carolina, Chair Forrester thanked Dr. Nielsen for his service on the Board. Dr. Nielsen was unable to attend the meeting.

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**RECOGNITION OF NEW STATE BOARD MEMBERS**

Chair Forrester introduced new Board member, Mr. Benjamin Mitchell of Colleton, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, replacing Dr. Dennis Nielsen. Since Mr. Mitchell had already signed the Oath of Office on April 22, 2005, the Oath was not administered.

**STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT**

**RECOGNITIONS**

Superintendent Tenenbaum commended Rock Hill School District Three on receiving the South Carolina Literacy Award for 2003-04 and the 2005 Civic Star Award for South Carolina. The District held a fall literacy walk that resulted in twenty-three district schools having new books retained in literacy closets for use by teachers and students. Dr. Gwen Kodad, Associate Superintendent, Rock Hill School District Three, accepted the award on behalf of the school district.

Superintendent Tenenbaum announced that the South Carolina Association of School Administrators recognized four schools as winners of the 2005 Carolina First Palmetto's Finest Schools Award. The 2005 honorees are: Independence Elementary School, York School District Three; Keels Elementary School, Richland School District Two; Northside Middle School, Lexington School District Two; and W.J. Keenan High School, Richland School District One.

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Coach Chip Atkins, Richland School District One Lower Richland Diamond boys' basketball team. The National Federation of State High School Associations named Coach Atkins the National Coach of the Year.

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Christine Haff with the Kershaw County's Applied Technology Education Campus as the National Business Education Association's Secondary Teacher of the Year.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public speakers for this meeting.

**STATE BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Victoria Belin, Chair**

Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee

**Anne Crooke, presiding**

Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee

**Joe Isaac, presiding**

Finance and Legislative Committee

**Mike Forrester, Chair**

Educational Policy Committee

56. **Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification (TRTC) Committee**—Victoria Belin reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee, met on Wednesday, May 11, 2005.
01. **Approval of Agenda for May 11, 2005**—Ms. Belin reported that the agenda for May 11, 2005, meeting was approved.
  02. **Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2005**—Ms. Belin reported that the minutes for the April 12, 2005, meeting were approved.
  03. **Consent Agenda**—Ms. Belin reported no items were placed on the consent agenda.
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 Wednesday, May 11, 2005.
01. **Approval of Agenda for May 11, 2005**—Dr. Crook reported that the agenda for May 11, 2005, meeting was approved.
  02. **Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2005**—Dr. Crook reported that the minutes for the April 12, 2005, meeting were approved.
  05. **Propose Amendments to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-234 (Supp. 2004), Defined Program, Grades 9–12**  
  
On behalf of the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee, Dr. Crook moved that the State Board of Education adopt the recommendations to approve the proposed amendments to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-234 (Supp. 2004) Defined Program, Grades 9–12.  
  
The motion did not require a second because it came from a committee. The motion carried.

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08. **Consent Agenda**—Dr. Crook reported that items 55-03, 55-04, and 55-06, were placed on the consent agenda.

Dr. Crook reported that the following item was presented as information.

Requested K4 Waivers for 2004-05 per Regulation 43-264.1, Half-Day Child Development Programs, Section VII(B)

54. **Finance and Legislative Committee**—Mr. Joe Isaac, on behalf of Ms. Rebecca Burch, reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Wednesday, May 11, 2005.

01. **Approval of Agenda for May 11, 2005**—Mr. Isaac reported that the agenda for May 11, 2005, meeting was approved.

02. **Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2005**—Mr. Isaac reported that the minutes for the April 12, 2005, meeting were approved

03. **Finance and Legislative Committee Meeting Overview**— Mr. Isaac reported that Mr. John Cooley, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Finance, gave a brief overview of the items that were to be presented to the Finance and Legislative Committee.

04. **School Bus/Boat Per Mile Permit Rate Methodology (Second Reading)**

On behalf of the Finance and Legislative Committee, Mr. Isaac moved that the State Board of Education adopt the school bus/boat per mile permit rate for Second Reading. The motion.

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

07. **Consent Agenda**—Mr. Isaac reported there were no items placed on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Isaac reported that the following items were presented for information.

- State Board of Education Financial Statements
- Legislative Update

52. **Educational Policy Committee**—Mike Forrester, Chair reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Wednesday, May 11, 2005.

01. **Approval of Agenda for May 11, 2005**—Mr. Forrester reported that the agenda for May 11, 2005, meeting was approved.

02. **Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2005**—Mr. Forrester reported that the minutes for the April 12, 2005, meeting were approved

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03. **Education Policy Committee Overview**—Mr. Forrester reported that Dale Stuckey, Chief Counsel, Office of General Counsel, on behalf of Mrs. Ellen Still, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Policy, Research, and Technology, gave a brief overview of the items that were to be presented to the Educational Policy Committee.
05. **House and Senate Requests Regarding State Board of Education Regulations, if needed**
- Mr. Forrester reported there was no request 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 an item 52-04 was placed on the Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items were approved by the Board without further debate upon a motion by Mrs. Kristin Maguire, seconded by Mr. Ron Wilson.

- 55-03 **Annual Report of the Accreditation of School Districts in South Carolina for the 2004–05 School Year**
- Motion that the State Board of Education adopt the recommendation to approve the Annual Report of the Accreditation of School Districts in South Carolina for the 2004-05 School Year.
- 55-04 **Revisions to the Guidelines for Retraining Assistance Program for School Faculty and Administration (First Reading)**
- Motion that the State Board of Education adopt the revisions to the Guidelines for Retraining Assistance Program for School Faculty and Administration (First Reading).
- 55-06 **Guidelines for Extending Course Make-Up Requirements Beyond Thirty Days (Second Reading)**
- Motion that the State Board of Education adopt the revisions to the guidelines for extending course make-up requirements beyond thirty days (Second Reading).
- 52-04 **Request for Approval of Recommendations for Vacancies on the State Board Awards Nominating Committee for the 2005 Volunteer Awards Program**
- Motion that the State Board of Education adopt the request for approval of recommendations for vacancies on the State Board Awards Nominating Committee for the 2005 Volunteer Awards Program.

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**EDUCATOR LICENSURE ACTION CASES**

The meeting was brought to order by Chair-Elect Isaac.

**Approval of minutes of April 12, 2005, meeting**

Dr. Harriett Rucker moved for approval of the minutes of the April 12, 2005, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ron Wilson and approved by the Board.

The State Board of Education (Board) held a meeting at 11:03 A.M., Tuesday, April 12, 2005, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building, to discuss educator licensure cases. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. Joe Isaac, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Mrs. Rebecca R. Burch; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Dr. Dennis Nielsen; Mrs. Terrye Seckinger; Mr. Phillip Shoopman; Ms. Diane Sumpter; Mr. John Tindal; Mr. Ron Wilson; Ms. Virginia Wilson; and Dr. Kristi Woodall.

Chair-Elect Isaac declared the Board in Executive Session.

Open Session

Dr. Harriett Rucker moved that the State Board of Education approve the request to vacate the Order of Revocation of South Carolina educator certificate #177068 issued to Kristin Ezquerra, approved at the March 8, 2005, Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rebecca Burch and approved by the Board. The motion carried with two opposing votes by Mr. Ron Wilson and Mrs. Terrye Seckinger; Mr. John Tindal abstained.

Chair Elect Isaac declared the Board back in Executive Session.

Open Session

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the permanent suspension of South Carolina educator certificate #211956 issued to Dennis Harold Feltz, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Terrye Seckinger and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #203338 issued to Kenneth Cook, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ron Wilson and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #171977 issued to Donna Galloway, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Terrye Seckinger and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #220328 issued to Paul Humphries, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rebecca Burch and approved by the Board.

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Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #181403 issued to Melodi Jamison, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Terrye Seckinger and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #193134 issued to Robert Sutton, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rebecca Burch and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #211256 issued to Daniel Wallace, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Terrye Seckinger and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the one year suspension on South Carolina educator certificate #904397 issued to Harold Bell, for breach of contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rebecca Burch and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the one-year suspension on South Carolina educator certificate #209579 issued to Kimberly Howard, for breach of contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rebecca Burch and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the public reprimand on of South Carolina educator certificate #147675 issued to Timothy Cox, for test security violation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dennis Nielsen and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the public reprimand on South Carolina educator certificate #129732 issued to Sally Flinn, for test security violation. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Brenda Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Terrye Seckinger moved that the State Board of Education approve the public reprimand on South Carolina educator certificate #100638 issued to Debbie Minors Greenleaf, for test security violation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Kristi Woodall and approved by the Board. The motion carried with one opposing vote by Mr. Ron Wilson and Mrs. Brenda Fort abstained.

The Board adjourned at 11: 56 P.M. for lunch and reconvened at 12:15 P.M.

Chair-Elect Isaac declared the Board back into Executive Session.

Open Session

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve the voluntary surrender of administrative certification and approve the public reprimand on South Carolina educator certificate #141675 issued to Darrell Ricketts, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Ms. Diane Sumpter and approved by the Board. The motion carried with four opposing votes by Mr. Ron Wilson, Dr. Kristi Woodall, Terrye Seckinger, and Mr. Phillip Shoopman.

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Open Session

Mrs. Krisin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education approve a South Carolina educator certificate in Theater for Elizabeth A. Bridges. The motion was seconded by Dr. Harriett Rucker and approved by the Board.

Chair-Elect Isaac declared the Board back in Executive Session.

Open Session

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education disapprove a South Carolina certificate in Media Specialist for Kathryn Sanders. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Terrye Seckinger and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Kristin Maguire moved that the State Board of Education disapprove a South Carolina certificate in mathematics for Edward U. Turner. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Terrye Seckinger and approved by the Board.

<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>
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There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

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Chair

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Secretary