

Minutes
Standards, Learning, and Accountability (SLA) Committee Meeting

Date
Tuesday, October 11, 2016

Time
10:00 a.m.

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

Dr. Sharon Wall, 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. Sharon Wall, Committee Chair, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. A quorum was present.

Standards, Learning, and Accountability Committee (SLA) members in attendance were: David F. Whittemore, Jr., Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, and Jane Harmon, Seventh Judicial Circuit, appointed by Board Chair Michael Brenan as a voting member for the October 11 SLA meeting.

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; Sheila Quinn, EdD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness; Elizabeth Jones, Director, Office of Assessment, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness; Anne Pressley, Director, Office of Standards and Learning, Division of College and Career Readiness; Rick Blanchard, Education Associate, Office of Standards and Learning, Division of College and Career Readiness; 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; and Crystal Dennis, Minutes Taker, Division of College and Career Readiness.

II. Recognition of Visitors, Including News Media

Chair Wall welcomed the following visitors to the SLA Committee meeting: Kevin Andrews, Education Oversight Committee and Asenth Dixon, The College Board. There were no news media in attendance.

III. Approval of Committee Minutes for October 11, 2016

Chair Wall asked if there were any objections to approving the minutes for the SLA meetings held on October 11, 2016, as presented. Hearing none, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

IV. Approval of Committee Agenda for November 8, 2016

Chair Wall requested that Item # 2 Standard Setting for SC READY (ELA and mathematics) and End-of-Course Examination Program (EOCEP) English 1 and Algebra 1 tests be pulled from the agenda and placed on the November agenda. Hearing no objections or any other changes, the agenda was approved with the noted change by unanimous consent.

V. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

VI. Board Items

FOR APPROVAL

- 01. Proposed Amendments to the State Board (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-258.1 (R.43-258.1), Advanced Placement (First Reading)—Richard Blanchard, Education Associate, Office of Standards and Learning, Division of College and Career Readiness.**

Rick Blanchard presented on the proposed changes in the regulation. South Carolina was one of the first states in the country to require additional training to teach AP courses, which started in the mid 1980's with the EIA Act. Initially, it was a 45 contact hours or 3 graduate credit hours course that was required to have AP endorsement. Other states have gone to a 30-hour professional development model using College Board approved consultants/trainers. The request for the change came from the Instructional Leaders Roundtable group. South Carolina teachers had issues when they went out of state for training and then returned to South Carolina and were not able to get the added

endorsement required to teach classes. Request approval of the adding of the option of a 30-hour College Board approved training session to the existing options: 1) 45 contact hours or 3 graduate credit hours or other SCDE approved training programs, 2) the 30-hour College Board approved training, and 3) Ph.D. or terminal degree will now add the special endorsement. Teachers in the districts will have more flexibility and will be able to meet the criteria in South Carolina as well as in other states.

The motion was approved for Second Reading.

This item was approved in committee.

FOR INFORMATION

VII. Consent Agenda

There were no items to be placed on the Consent Agenda for the Full Board.

VIII. Other Business

There was no other business.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.