

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Columbia, South Carolina

February 13, 2002

The State Board of Education held its February meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, February 13, 2002, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. J. Spratt White, Chair; Mr. Greg Killian, Chair-Elect; Mr. Carlos A. Cervantes; Dr. Anne S. Crook; Mr. Clarence Dickert; Mr. Thomas C. Ewart; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Dr. Mary E. Jones; Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr.; Mrs. Frances P. Lewis; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Mr. James Mattos; Mrs. Gail Moss; Mr. Robert E. Scarborough; Mr. Chris Verenes; and Mr. Jim White. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board member unable to attend was Mr. James C. McRae who was excused for his absence.)*

INVOCATION

The Honors Play Production class from Lexington High School, Lexington County School District One, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance and performed prior to the February 13, 2002, meeting of the State Board of Education.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2002

Mr. Lee moved for the approval of the minutes of the January 9, 2002, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Verenes 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. Lee and approved by the Board.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Chair White welcomed the visitors present. Mr. Rob Harper, Office of Public Information stated that no news media were present.

AWARDS TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBER(S)

Chair White recognized Mr. Robert Scarborough, First Judicial Circuit. On behalf of the Board and the citizens of this Judicial Circuit, Chair White thanked Mr. Scarborough for his service and presented him with a certificate.

Mr. Scarborough stated that being on the State Board of Education is a very important position and he is sure Dr. Crook will do a great job for the First Judicial Circuit.

RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS/OATH OF OFFICE

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Chair White introduced new Board member, Dr. Anne S. Crook of St. Matthews, First Judicial Circuit. Dr. Crook replaces Mr. Robert Scarborough.

Chair White administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Crook.

"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."

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

Chair White reported that Superintendent Tenenbaum was invited to Washington, DC, to meet with the United States Secretary of Education, Rod Paige. There was no additional report.

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

Mrs. Frances Lewis, Chair
Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee

Mr. James G. Mattos, Chair
Finance and Legislative Committee

Mr. J. Spratt White, 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 12, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for February 12, 2002—Mr. Lee reported that the agenda for the February 12, 2002, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of January 8, 2002, TRTC Committee Meeting—Mr. Lee reported that the minutes from the January 8, 2002, 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.

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Mr. Lee reported that items 56-04, 56-05, 56-06, and 56-07 were placed on the consent agenda.

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

- **Report for Proviso 1.15 (SDE: Teachers/Temporary Certificates)**
- **South Carolina's pilot of the Milken Teacher Advancement Program (TAP)**
- **Data available on teacher education programs to determine effectiveness of programs**

55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee—Mrs. Frances Lewis reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, February 12, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for February 12, 2002—Mrs. Lewis reported that the agenda for February 12, 2002, was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of January 8, 2002—Mrs. Lewis reported that the minutes of the January 8, 2002, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

Mrs. Lewis reported that the following items were presented for information:

- **Modified School Year or School Day Schedule Performance Report, 2000-01**
- **Requested Waiver Request of the Section of Regulation 43-264.1, Half Day Child Development Programs from Greenville County School District, Marion County School District Two, Ware Shoals School District 51 (Greenwood), the School District of Calhoun County, and District Five Schools of Spartanburg County that stipulates that a minimum of 10-percent of the total budget shall be utilized in supplies/materials and equipment for instructional purposes (Section VI B.1. and 1.**

54. Finance and Legislative Committee—Mr. James Mattos reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, February 12, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for February 12, 2002—Mr. Mattos reported that the agenda for the February 12, 2002, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of January 8, 2002—Mr. Mattos reported that the minutes of the January 8, 2002, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

Mr. Mattos reported that items 54-03 and 54-04 were placed on the consent agenda.

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

- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**
- **Additional Assurance Forms for Meeting the Requirements to Employ Retired Individuals for School Year 2000-01**
- **Assurance Forms for Meeting the Requirements to Employ Retired Individuals for School Year 2001-02**

52. Educational Policy Committee—Chair-Elect Killian reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, February 12, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for February 12, 2002—Chair-Elect Killian reported that the agenda for the February 12, 2002, meeting was approved as presented.

02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of January 8, 2002—Chair-Elect Killian reported that the minutes for the January 8, 2002, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Maguire moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickert and approved by the Board. The following items were approved by the Board without further debate:

56-04. The Professional Review Committee's (PRC) recommendations for adding middle level teacher education programs at Coastal Carolina University and USC Spartanburg

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

56-05. Replacement tests for the State Trade Competency Exams (TCEs) (Second Reading)

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

56-06. Implementation Timeline to Replace Existing Trade Competency Examinations (TCEs)

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

56-07. Request for Waiver of Timeline in Regulation 43-205.1, Assisting, Developing, and Evaluating Professional Teaching (ADEPT), for Cherokee County

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

54-03. Facilities Waiver Request—Newberry County School District

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

54-04. Statewide Capital Needs Report, "Public School Capital Needs 2001/02–2006/07"

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The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

52-03 Nominations for 2003 National State Board of Education Officers

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

52-04. House Requests Regarding State Board of Education Regulation 43-262, Testing Program

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

**REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TEACHER LICENSURE ISSUES OF
FEBRUARY 12, 2002**

Chair-Elect Killian gave a report of the actions taken by the State Board of Education concerning teacher certification issues in the State of South Carolina on Tuesday, February 12, 2002.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2002

Mr. Killian moved for the approval of the minutes of the February 12, 2002, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Moss and approved by the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair White announced that the October meetings would be held on Monday, October 7 and Tuesday, October 8, 2002, to accommodate the NASBE Annual Conference. Chair White also informed the Board members that they are invited to a dinner in honor of the Palmetto's Finest Schools on March 12, 2002, and a luncheon for the 2002 SAT Competition Awards on March 13, 2002.

The Board expressed an interest in starting the Wednesday (full Board) meetings at 9:00 A.M. rather than 10:00 A.M., especially if the committee meetings can be completed by 4:30 P.M. on Tuesdays.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The State Board of Education went into Executive Session to discuss teacher licensure issues at 10:00 A.M. Mr. Lee introduced the motion. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire. The motion was approved by the Board.

OPEN SESSION

Mr. Lee moved that the State Board of Education reinstate South Carolina teaching certificate #148983 issued to Craig Mayer. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lewis and approved by the Board.

Mr. Mattos moved that the State Board of Education go into Executive Session to discuss additional teacher licensure issues. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

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Open Session

Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education uphold the recommendation to suspend South Carolina teaching certificate #203429 issued to Amanda C. Robertson from May 6, 2001, through May 5, 2004, for unprofessional conduct, and to require her appearance before the State Board of Education for a successful character and fitness review prior to reinstatement. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lewis. The motion failed.

Mr. Mattos moved that the State Board of Education go into Executive Session to discuss additional teacher licensure issues. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

Open Session

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education permanently revoke South Carolina teaching certificate #195048 issued to Reginald Michael Anderson effective February 13, 2002, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lewis and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education permanently revoke South Carolina teaching certificate #194122 issued to Robert Todd Watson effective February 13, 2002, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mattos and approved by the Board.

Mr. Dickert moved that the State Board of Education permanently revoke South Carolina teaching certificate #180387 issued to Michael Desmond Woods effective February 13, 2002, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mattos and approved by the Board.

Mr. Dickert moved that the State Board of Education permanently revoke South Carolina teaching certificate #203394 issued to Alva Sanders effective February 13, 2002, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education summarily suspend South Carolina teaching certificate #121783 issued to Lou Ann Brown Parris until a due process hearing is held or this matter is otherwise resolved. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lewis and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education summarily suspend South Carolina teaching certificate #174930 issued to John P. Huggins until a due process hearing is held or this matter is otherwise resolved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickert and approved by the Board.

Mr. Mattos moved that the State Board of Education summarily suspend South Carolina teaching certificate #121970 issued to Titus Briggs until a due process hearing is held or this

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matter is otherwise resolved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickert and approved by the Board.

Mr. Dickert moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina teaching certificate #200627 issued to Patricia R. Garza from September 7, 2001, through September 6, 2002, for unprofessional conduct due to breach of contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lee and approved by the Board.

Mr. Lee moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina teaching certificate #135638 issued to Janet Sue Kirby from October 10, 2001, through July 31, 2002, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickert and approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Mattos moved that the Board adjourn. Mrs. Maguire seconded the motion. There being no further business the Board adjourned at 12:16 P.M.

Chair

Secretary