

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Columbia, South Carolina

June 9, 2004

The State Board of Education held its June meeting at ten o'clock, Wednesday morning, June 9, 2004, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Dr. Mary E. Jones, Chair; Mr. Paul M. (Mike) Forrester, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Ms. Rebecca Burch; Dr. Anne S. Crook; Mr. Jessie Curtis; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Mr. Joe Isaac; Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr.; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Dr. Dennis Nielsen; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mr. Phillip Shoopman; and Ms. Virginia J. Wilson. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board members unable to attend were Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger and Mrs. Kristi Woodall who were excused for their absence.)*

OPENING

The meeting was brought to order by Chair Jones. Ms. Wilson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2003

Dr. Rucker moved for the approval of the minutes of the May 12, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort 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. Forrester and approved by the Board.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Chair Jones welcomed the visitors present. Mrs. Paula Gray introduced Adam Starks from WLTX-TV 19.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

RECOGNITION OF WINNER OF THE NATIONAL DISPELLING THE MYTH AWARD

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized St. James-Gaillard Elementary School in Orangeburg Consolidated School District Three. In 2002, St. James-Gaillard outperformed ninety-seven percent of South Carolina schools on the state's third-grade math assessment and eighty-two percent in fourth-grade reading. For its efforts toward narrowing the achievement gap between groups of students, St. James-Gaillard has received national recognition—the Education Trust's "Dispelling the Myth" award.

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Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Dr. Anne Crook presented an engraved plaque to Michelle Wilson, Principal, and Dr. David Longshore, Superintendent.

RECOGNITION OF A WINNER OF THE 2004 TECH-SAVVY SUPERINTENDENT AWARDS

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Dr. Karen Woodward, Superintendent of Lexington School District One. Dr. Woodward was one of two South Carolina superintendents and one of ten nationwide to receive the *e-School News* 2004 Tech-Savvy Superintendent award. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Jessie Curtis presented Dr. Woodward with an engraved trophy for this accomplishment. The other recipient was Dr. Jim Ray, Superintendent, Spartanburg County School District Three. Dr. Ray was recognized during the March State Board meeting.

RECOGNITION OF THE WINNER OF THE NATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR STATE GUIDANCE LEADERSHIP ABC'S OF CAREER AWARENESS AND EXPLORATION AWARD

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Gilbert Middle School, Lexington County School District One. Gilbert Middle School was selected by the National Consortium for State Guidance Leadership as the winner of its "ABC's of Career Awareness and Exploration Award" for the most outstanding career guidance program in the nation. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Jessie Curtis presented an engraved plaque to Carole Dunlap, Guidance Director; Alan Zwart, Principal; and Dr. Karen Woodward, Superintendent for receiving this award.

RECOGNITION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION LAW RELATED EDUCATION COMMITTEE 2004 SCHOOL OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized E. L. Wright Middle School, Richland County School District Two. E. L. Wright Middle School was chosen by the South Carolina Bar Law Related Education (LRE) Division as the 2004 LRE School of the Year. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Dr. Mary Jones presented an engraved trophy to Keith Price, Principal, and Terry Boone, a member of E. L. Wright's team of teachers.

RECOGNITION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION LAW RELATED EDUCATION COMMITTEE 2004 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Sharon McAbee, the 2004 South Carolina Bar Law Related Teacher of the Year. Ms. McAbee teaches at Riverside Middle School in Greenville County. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Phillip Shoopman presented an engraved trophy to Ms. McAbee for this accomplishment.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was one public speaker for this meeting. Jeanne Polyak, Foreign Academic and Cultural Exchange Services, Inc., spoke regarding requirements for foreign visitor teachers.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 10:30 A.M. to hold the Committee meetings.

RECONVENE FULL BOARD MEETING

The Board reconvened at 12:35 P.M.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Brenda Fort, Chair
Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee

Dr. Harriett Rucker, Chair
Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee

Mrs. Kristin Maguire, Chair
Finance and Legislative Committee

Dr. Mary Jones, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

56. Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee—Mrs. Fort reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (TRTC) met on Wednesday, June 9, 2004.

01. Approval of Agenda for June 9, 2004—Mrs. Fort reported that the agenda for the June 9, 2004, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of May 11, 2004, TRTC Committee Meeting—Mrs. Fort reported that the minutes from the May 11, 2004, meeting were approved.

55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee—Dr. Harriett Rucker reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Wednesday, June 9, 2004.

01. Approval of Agenda for June 9, 2004—Dr. Rucker reported that the agenda for June 9, 2004, was approved.

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02. Approval of Minutes of May 11, 2003—Dr. Rucker reported that the minutes of the May 11, 2003, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

Dr. Rucker reported that the following item was submitted for information:

- **Identification of students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) in South Carolina**

54. Finance and Legislative Committee—Mrs. Kristin Maguire reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Wednesday, June 9, 2004.

01. Approval of Agenda for June 9, 2004—Mrs. Maguire reported that the agenda for the June 9, 2004, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of May 11, 2003—Mrs. Maguire reported that the minutes of the May 11, 2003, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved as amended.

06. Consent Agenda—Mrs. Maguire reported that Items 54-03, 54-04, and 54-05 were placed on the consent agenda.

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

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

52. Educational Policy Committee—Dr. Jones reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Wednesday, June 9, 2004.

01. Approval of Agenda for June 9, 2004—Dr. Jones reported that the agenda for the June 9, 2004, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of May 11, 2003—Dr. Jones reported that the minutes for the May 11, 2003, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

05. House or Senate Requests Regarding State Board of Education Regulations—Dr. Jones reported that no requests were received.

06. Consent Agenda—Dr. Jones reported that Items 52-03 and 52-04 were placed on the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

54-04. Facilities Waiver Request—Pickens County School District (Renewal)

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

54-05. Recommended Approval of Property Disposal—Georgetown County School District

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

52-03. Request for approval of recommendations for vacancies on the State Board Awards Nominating Committee for the 2004 Volunteer Awards Program

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

52-04. Procedural Guidelines for determining satisfactory implementation of approved recommendations and expected progress in schools rated as unsatisfactory (Second Reading)

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS EDUCATOR LICENSURE ISSUES

The Board went into executive session to discuss educator licensure issues at 12:38 P.M.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session.

Dr. Jones moved that the State Board of Education approve the initial certification in Elementary Education of Moneshia D. Eady contingent upon the presentation of a court order of expungement. The motion was seconded by Dr. Rucker and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education grant entrance in the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) to Mark C. Fraiser. The motion was seconded by Ms. Belin and approved by the Board with two opposing votes by Mr. Hostetler and Mr. Shoopman.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #148171 issued to Molly Bruton beginning June 9, 2004, until the financial obligation to the State of South Carolina established in the National Board

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Certification loan agreement is satisfied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #147117 issued to Janice Gamble beginning June 9, 2004, until the financial obligation to the State of South Carolina established in the National Board Certification loan agreement is satisfied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #157517 issued to Lark Hunter beginning June 9, 2004, until the financial obligation to the State of South Carolina established in the National Board Certification loan agreement is satisfied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #196617 issued to Bernethio Livingston beginning June 9, 2004, until the financial obligation to the State of South Carolina established in the National Board Certification loan agreement is satisfied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #156389 issued to Tracey Barfield beginning June 9, 2004, until the financial obligation to the State of South Carolina established in the National Board Certification loan agreement is satisfied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #181597 issued to Anetra Beaufort beginning June 9, 2004, until the financial obligation to the State of South Carolina established in the National Board Certification loan agreement is satisfied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education suspend South Carolina educator certificate #213704 issued to Allison M. Thompson from February 13, 2004, through February 12, 2005, for unprofessional conduct, breach of contract. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education permanently revoke South Carolina educator certificate #144996 issued to Bradford Gulley for unprofessional conduct effective June 9, 2004. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #097371 issued to Alvin Moore Usher effective June 9, 2004. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

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Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education accept the voluntary retroactive suspension of South Carolina educator certificate #099155 issued to Willie Edney from July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2004, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shoopman and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education summarily suspend South Carolina educator certificate #211956 issued to Dennis Feltz until a due process hearing is held, or this matter is otherwise resolved. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education summarily suspend South Carolina educator certificate #170739 issued to Jay McJunkin until a due process hearing is held, or this matter is otherwise resolved. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education accept the voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #156932 issued to Sinclair Swan effective June 9, 2004. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 1:40 P.M.

Chair

Secretary