

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Columbia, South Carolina

September 10, 2003

The State Board of Education held its September meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, September 10, 2003, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. Greg Killian, Chair; Ms. Victoria Belin; Mr. Jessie R. Curtis; Mr. Mike Forrester; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr.; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger; Mrs. Rebecca Smith; Mrs. Lisa H. Stevens; Mr. Chris Verenes; and Mrs. Kristi Woodall. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board members unable to attend were Mr. Carlos A. Cervantes; Dr. Anne S. Crook; and Dr. Mary Jones who were excused for their absence.)*

OPENING

The meeting was brought to order by Chair Killian. Mr. Lee led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2003

Mr. Verenes moved for the approval of the minutes of the August 13, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

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

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Chair Killian welcomed the visitors present and recognized South Carolina's 2004 Teacher of the Year, Jason Fulmer. Mrs. Paula Gray reported that no news media were present.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

RECOGNITION OF THE 2004 HONOR ROLL TEACHERS AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum introduced the four Honor Roll teachers: Lynn Wilson, Seneca High School, Oconee County School District; Jerry Robertson, Forest Acres Elementary School, Pickens County School District; Randolph M. Brooks, Dreher High School, Richland School District One; and Julie Mayer Lovell, Forestbrook Elementary School, Horry County School District.

Jason Fulmer from Redcliffe Elementary School in Aiken County School District, was introduced by Superintendent Tenenbaum as the 2004 South Carolina Teacher of the Year.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and the respective Board members presented each with an engraved trophy for their accomplishments.

RECOGNITION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL SCHOOL PUBLIC RELATIONS ASSOCIATION 2003 DISTINGUISHED SINGLE PROJECT AWARD

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized the members of the South Carolina chapter of the National School Public Relations Association, SC/NSPRA, for the group's recent national honor for their involvement with the State Department of Education's Red Carpet Schools Program. SC/NSPRA President Michelle Foster and Mary Anne Byrd, Office of Public Information, accepted a plaque recognizing the chapter's accomplishments.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was one public speaker for this meeting:

Patricia McRee—Ms. McRee spoke regarding the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) and her experiences with that program.

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, September 9, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for September 9, 2003—Mr. Lee reported that the agenda for the September 9, 2003, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of August 12, 2003, TRTC Committee Meeting—

Mr. Lee reported that the minutes from the August 12, 2003, meeting were approved as amended to include Mr. Mike Forrester as a member of the Committee.

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.

Mr. Lee reported that item 56-04 was placed on the consent agenda.

Mr. Lee reported that the following item was submitted for information:

- **Meeting the Performance Standards for Teaching: 2003 ADEPT Report**

55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee—

Dr. Harriett Rucker reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, September 9, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for September 9, 2003—

Dr. Rucker reported that the agenda for September 9, 2003, was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of August 12, 2003—

Dr. Rucker reported that the minutes of the August 12, 2003, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

Dr. Rucker reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **Requested Waiver from Chester County School District, Florence School District Two, and Sumter School District 17 of the section of Regulation 43-264.1, Half-Day Child Development Programs, that stipulates that a minimum of 10 percent of the total budget shall be utilized in supplies/materials and equipment for instructional purposes (Section V1 B.1. and 1.)**
- **EIA FY 2002–03 Program Report for Reading Recovery®**
- **South Carolina Junior Academy of Science under South Carolina Academy of Science**

54. Finance and Legislative Committee—

Mrs. Kristin Maguire reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, September 9, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for September 9, 2003—

Mrs. Maguire reported that the agenda for the September 9, 2003, meeting was approved.

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02. Approval of Minutes of August 12, 2003—Mrs. Maguire reported that the minutes of the August 12, 2003, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

Mrs. Maguire reported that the following item was submitted for information:

- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**

52. Educational Policy Committee—Chair Killian reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, September 9, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for September 9, 2003—Chair Killian reported that the agenda for the September 9, 2003, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of August 12, 2003—Chair Killian reported that the minutes for the August 12, 2003, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

Chair Killian reported that item 52-03 was placed on the consent agenda.

04. State Board of Education Committee Structure

On behalf of the Policy, Mr. Killian moved that the State Board of Education suspend the specific Rules of Governance which were delineated in the handout from the Office of General Counsel and distributed at the Policy Committee meeting for a three-month period (October, November, and December 2003) in order to pilot test a new governance system that would abolish the committee structure and have all items considered by the full Board.

After discussion, Mr. Lee called for the vote. The call was seconded by Mrs. Seckinger and approved by the Board.

The motion, which required a two-thirds vote of the Board, failed by a vote of seven (Mrs. Maguire, Dr. Rucker, Mr. Verenes, Mrs. Fort, Mr. Forrester, Mrs. Stevens, and Mrs. Seckinger) for and six (Mr. Lee, Ms. Belin, Mr. Hostetler, Mr. Curtis, Mrs. Woodall, and Mrs. Smith) against.

Mrs. Maguire recommended that a committee be formed to look into the possibility of permanent changes to the Rules of Governance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

56-04. Proposed Amendments to 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-209 (Supp. 2002), Nonprofessional/Paraprofessional Personnel Positions, Qualifications, and Duties (First Reading)

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

52-03. Proposed amendments to 24 S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-274 (Supp. 2001), Student Attendance (First Reading)

The Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TEACHER LICENSURE ISSUES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2003

Chair Killian 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, September 9, 2003.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2003

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the minutes of the September 9, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Seckinger and approved by the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Killian reported that the annual report on Allendale County School District would be prepared and presented to the Board at the December 2003 meeting. Superintendent Tenenbaum announced that a Town Meeting was being held in Allendale in September if anyone was interested in attending.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into executive session to discuss a teacher licensure issue at 9:50 a.m. on motion by Mrs. Maguire, seconded by Mrs. Seckinger.

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session at 10:05 a.m.

Discussion was held regarding the ADEPT process and the possibility of Higher Education having the responsibility for the remediation of teachers.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Maguire moved that the Board adjourn. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. There being no further business the Board adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Chair

Secretary