

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD
STATE BOARD ROOM, SUITE 1-20
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

May 25, 2017

The State Board of Education met in regular session at 9:31 a.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2017, in the Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, May 25, 2017.

The following were present:

Ms. Terrie Cheadle, Chief Executive Secretary
Mr. Brad Clark, General Counsel

Members of the State Board of Education present:

State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister, Chairperson of the Board
Mr. William "Bill" Flanagan, Claremore
Ms. Cathryn Franks, Roosevelt
Mr. Daniel Keating, Tulsa
Mr. Robert J. Ross, Oklahoma City
Mr. William "Bill" Price, Oklahoma City

Members of the State Board of Education not present:

MG (R) Lee Baxter, Lawton

Others in attendance are shown as an attachment.

**CALL TO ORDER
AND
ROLL CALL**

State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister called the State Board of Education regular meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ms. Cheadle called the roll and ascertained there was a quorum.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, OKLAHOMA
FLAG SALUTE, AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Superintendent Hofmeister led Board Members and all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, a salute to the Oklahoma Flag, and a moment of silence.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Information from the State Superintendent

Superintendent Hofmeister update Board Members on legislation; grades 3-5 paper test, grades 6-12 online testing and test coordinator feedback; National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) report on Oklahoma gains, improvements and rankings; and early childhood teacher shortages.

Employee for the month April

Superintendent Hofmeister recognized Amy Neihues, Regional Coordinator, SoonerStart-Oklahoma City as the April employee of the month.

Employee for the month May

Superintendent Hofmeister recognized Angela Kwok, Project Director of Assessments & Instruction, Office of Special Education as the May employee of the month.

Employee Service Recognitions

Superintendent Hofmeister recognized State Department of Education employee Renee' McWaters, Executive Deputy Director of State Aid, Financial Services for 25 years of service to the state of Oklahoma.

**Oklahoma Student Leader Delegates for the
United States Senate Youth Program**

Superintendent Hofmeister recognized and congratulated Andrew (Drew) Hill and Pranoy Behera on being selected Oklahoma student leader delegates for the United States Senate Youth Program. Mr. Hill is a senior at Norman North High School and Senior Class President. Mr. Behera, a senior at Bartlesville High School, is a Student Council representative and President of the National Honor Society.

Student leader delegates received a \$10,000 college scholarship and attended the annual program in Washington, D.C. March 4-11. Both delegates appreciated the opportunity to experience the nation's government in action and meeting President Donald Trump, Vice President Pence, Chief Justice John Roberts, various ambassadors and policy makers.

First-Year Superintendents

First-year superintendent Renee Dove, Okmulgee Public Schools; Vince Vincent, Dewey Public Schools, and Shana Thiel, Maple Public School attended the meeting.

BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE

April 27, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes of the State Board of Education Approved

Board member Franks moved to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2017, regular meeting. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, abstain; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Update on the ESSA-Tribal Consultation Report

Greg Anderson, Secretary of Education, Muscogee (Creek) Nation presented an update on the ESSA Tribal Nations and Public School Collaborative Engagement Workshop, April 5, 2017. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation hosted the informational workshop in conjunction with the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes, Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) and United States Department of Education (USDE).

Mr. Anderson said the workshop has been deemed an "historic event" for federal, state, LEAs, Tribal Nations and stakeholders. It provided an opportunity to discuss the successes and challenges of transforming educational opportunities for Native American children; inform public schools and tribal nations on the ESSA mandates/new requirements; and partner, collaborate, develop strategies and strengthen educational opportunities. An Executive Summary was provided to members of State Board of Education.

Sarah Bice, Tribal Education Partnership Project Coordinator and Jackie White, Sr. Executive Director Federal Programs, Union Public Schools assisted in developing the workshop forum, survey data, and consultation input.

Presentation of "ELEVATE"

Phil Bacharach, Chief of Staff, highlighted an internship program at Hilldale High School-Muskogee Public Schools. Internship models and opportunities are key parts of the New Skills for Youth, redefining the senior year, and new accountability system post-secondary opportunities. Additional school internship/apprenticeship programs are available on the State Department of Education website.

CONSENT DOCKET Approved

Discussion and possible action on the following deregulation applications, statutory waivers, and exemptions for the 2016-2017 school year and other requests:

- (a) **Abbreviated School Day – OAC 210:35-29-2 and 210:35-3-46**
Hobart Public Schools, Kiowa County
Purcell Public Schools, McClain County
Shawnee Public Schools, Pottawatomie County
- (b) **Cooperative Agreements for Alternative Education Programs – 70 O. S. § 1210.568**
Bishop Public Schools, Comanche County
- (b) **Library Media Services – OAC 210:35-5-71 and 210:35-9-71**
Gracemont Public Schools, Caddo County
Yukon Public Schools, Canadian County
Sterling Public Schools, Comanche County
Vinita Public Schools, Craig County
Arapaho-Butler Public Schools, Custer County
Hobart Public Schools, Kiowa County
Ryal Public Schools, McIntosh County
Fairview Public Schools, Major County
Riverside Public Schools, Canadian County
Bluejacket Public Schools, Craig County
Ponca City Public Schools, Kay County
Wainwright Public Schools, Muskogee County
Bixby Public Schools, Tulsa County
- (d) **Library Media Specialist Certificate Exemption – 70 O. S. § 3-126**
Yukon Public Schools, Canadian County
- (e) Request approval on exceptions to State Board of Education teacher certification regulations to permit issuance of emergency (provisional) certificates – **70 O. S. § 6-187**

Board member Ross moved to approve the Consent Docket. Board member Franks seconded the motion.

Board members asked questions and discussed Red Tape task force reviews and reporting.

The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS and PLANNING

Fountas, Pinnell and Istation as Reading Sufficiency Act Screeners Approved

Dr. Cindy Koss, Deputy Superintendent, Academic Affairs and Planning presented a request to add Fountas, Pinnell and Istation as Reading Sufficiency Act (RSA) Screeners pursuant screening instruments requirements in 70 O.S. §1210.508C and 70 O.S. §1210.508C(C)(1-5).

Board member Flanagan moved to approve the request for screeners. Board member Franks seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Focus Field of Study for a Pre-Engineering Academy at Moore Norman Technology Center Academy-Approved

Levi Patrick, Director of Computer Science and Secondary Mathematics Education, presented a recommendation request for Moore Norman Technology Center to offer a Focus Field of Study for tenth grade students expanding the current Pre-Engineering Academy. All application requirements for an academy focus field of study were met.

Board members asked questions and discussed focus field of study and academy requirements.

Board member Price moved to approve the Focus Field of Study request. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

One-time Severance Allowance payments to former certified and support employees Grant Public School District mandatorily annexed to Hugo Public School District - Approved

Matt Holder, Deputy Superintendent of Federal Programs & Finance, presented a recommendation request to approve severance payments to former certified and support employees of Grant Public School District.

Board members asked questions and discussed school consolidations and funding procedure/process; and eligibility review.

Board member Flanagan moved to approve the list of severance payment recommendations, a legal review of Charles Bradley's application and the list of denial recommendations. Board member Franks seconded the motion.

The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, abstain; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Legislative Update

Carolyn Thompson, Chief of Government Affairs reviewed common education funding bills that included Senate Bill 860-General Appropriations, Senate Bill 852-Rainy Day formula funding transfer, House Bill 2360-formula funding transfer from Rainy Day, Senate Bill 842- funding transfer to Ad Valorem Reimbursement, House Bill 1837-Lottery Revenue appropriations, and Teacher Pay revenues.

Ms. Thompson presented 2017-18 legislated pilot programs and task forces for adoption and implementing college and career planning tools in House Bill-2155-Individual Career Achievement Plans (ICAP), House Bill 2008-Dyslexia Task Force, Senate Bill 514-Administrative Cost Task Force and House Bill-1578 School Finance Review Commission. Bills signed by Governor Fallin include House Bill 1694-A-F, House Bill 1760 and Senate Bill 84-RSA, Senate Bill 428-Retired Teachers, House Bill 2155-ICAP, and House bill 2386 Teacher Definition.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE

Amend the State Board of Education sponsorship contract with the Academy of Seminole Charter School - Approved

Brad Clark, General Counsel, State Board of Education, presented a request to amend the Academy of Seminole Charter School sponsorship contract delaying opening the school by one year. The Academy of Seminole Charter School agreed to the delay allowing time to complete agreements with a charter school manager.

Board member Price moved to approve the amended contract. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Resolve into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O. S. §§ 307 (B) (4) (7) and (8) for the purpose of discussing possible action to issue emergency orders summarily suspending the teacher certificate and certificate number of Megan Sloan pending individual proceedings for revocation or other action - 70 O. S. § 3-104; 75 O. S. § 314; OAC 210-1-5-6 - Approved

Resolve into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O. S. §§ 307 (B) (4) (7) and (8) for the purpose of discussing possible action to accept the Hearing Officer's proposed orders to revoke the teacher certificates and certificate numbers of 1) Jean Slankard; 2) Austin Quinton; and 3) George Russell – 70 O. S. § 3-104; OAC 210-1-5-6 – Approved

**Resolve into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O. S. §§ 307 (B) (4) (7) and (8)
for the purpose of discussing a proposed settlement of the pending proceeding
to revoke the Oklahoma teaching certificate of Jandolyn Overton –
OAC 210-1-5-6; and 70 O. S. § 3-104 - Approved**

Board member Ross moved to convene into Executive Session at 11:17 a.m. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Brad Clark, General Counsel, State Board of Education remained in the Executive Session.

Return to Open Session

Board member Franks moved to return to Open Session at 11:35 a.m. Board member Ross seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Superintendent Hofmeister said no decisions were made on the matters discussed in the Executive Session.

Board member Ross moved to issue an emergency order summarily suspending the teacher certificate and certificate number of **Megan Sloan** therefore approving the application to suspend. Board member Franks seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Board member Ross moved to accept the Hearing Officers proposed orders to revoke the teaching certificates and numbers of **Jean Slankard, Austin Quinton** and **George Russell**. Board member Franks seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Board member Ross moved to accept the proposed settlement of the pending proceeding to revoke the Oklahoma teaching certificate of **Jandolyn Overton**. Board member Franks seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Board member Price moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:37 a.m. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. Board members unanimously agreed.

The next regular meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Thursday, June 22, 2017, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will convene at the State Department of Education-State Board Room, 2500 North Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Joy Hofmeister, Chairperson of the Board

Terrie Cheadle, Chief Executive Secretary