

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

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

November 25, 2019

The State Board of Education met in regular session at 9:32 a.m. on Thursday, November 25, 2019, in the Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 22, 2019.

The following were present:

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

Members of the State Board of Education present:

State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister, Chairperson of the Board
Mr. Brian Bobek, Oklahoma City
Mr. William “Bill” Flanagan, Claremore
Mrs. Carlisha Williams Bradley, Tulsa
Mrs. Estela Hernandez, Oklahoma City
Mrs. Jennifer Monies, Oklahoma City

Members of the State Board of Education not present:

Mr. Barry “Kurt” Bollenbach, Kingfisher

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 9:32 a.m. Ms. Cheadle called the roll and ascertained there was a quorum.

Superintendent Hofmeister welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Representative Rhonda Baker, Common Education Committee Chair; Representative Tammy West, Majority Caucus Chair, and Senator Carri Hicks, Education Committee member.

**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

Recognition of Department Employee for the month of November

Superintendent Hofmeister recognized Kelsey Malicott, Certification Specialist II, Teacher Certification as employee for the month November.

Information from the State Superintendent

Superintendent Hofmeister updated on the EngageOK Federal Programs Summit, key speakers Patrick Rooney, United States Department of Education, and Thang Piang, mentor, Jenks Public Schools; EngageOK Administrators Conference; February 17, 2020 conference “Bridges of Hope: Teaching in the Shadow of Trauma” and keynote speaker Dr. Bruce Perry and founder of The Child Trauma Academy; and the Teacher Table Initiative (Teacher Shortage Taskforce subgroup).

BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE

**October 24, 2019 regular meeting minutes
of the State Board of Education - Approved**

Board member Flanagan moved to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2019, regular meeting. Board member Monies seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Hernandez; yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Ms. Monies, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

First-Year Superintendents

First-year Superintendent, Cory Sauser, Billings Public Schools attended the meeting.

CONSENT DOCKET - Approved

Discussion and possible action on the following deregulation applications, statutory waivers, and exemptions for the 2019-2020 school year and other requests:

- (a) **Abbreviated School Day – OAC 210:35-29-2 and 210:35-3-46**
Central Public Schools, Stephens County

3 Year Request

Lexington Public Schools, Cleveland County

- (b) **Library Media Services – OAC 210:35-5-71 and 210:35-9-71**

3 Year Request

Carnegie Public Schools, Caddo County
Peggs Public schools, Cherokee County
Drumright Public Schools, Creek County
Crutcho Public Schools, Oklahoma County
Broken Arrow Public Schools, Tulsa County

Board members discussed and asked questions regarding **Abbreviated Day waiver requests**, Consent Docket item 6. (a), from Central and Lexington Public Schools; and **Library Media Services waiver requests**, Consent Docket item 6. (b).

Ryan Pieper, Executive Director, Accreditation, clarified the Central Public Schools request for one hour per day for five days was to use that one hour time period for a credit recovery program prior to students obtaining a full schedule requirement for alternative education. Student(s) not passing a class can be placed in alternative placement one hour cohort to keep them on track to graduate, as opposed to falling behind and necessitate their entire day in an alternative education type setting. The school district provides the student more services than required and would meet the requirements for traditional students 6 hours or rigor per day, but would not meet the standard.

Board member Hernandez moved to approve Consent Docket 6. (a) and (b), **Abbreviated Day** and **Library Media Services** waiver requests. Board member Williams Bradley seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Hernandez; yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Ms. Monies, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

- (c) Request approval on **exceptions** to State Board of Education
Teacher certification regulations to permit issuance of emergency
(provisional) certificates –**70 O.S. § 6-187**

Brad Clark, General Counsel, said in previous meetings board members discussed emergency certification requirements and going forward effective July 2019 the

department sent out guidance/requirements for emergency certification. Applicants requesting to teach in grades preK-3 who do not have a relevant degree nor work experience are required to attend the SDE provided LETRS training by November 15. If unable to attend prior to the November 15 deadline, applicants and school districts are required to appear before the State Board of Education (SBE) to request the emergency certification based on 70 O.S. § 6-187(F).

Board members asked questions and discussed applicant/school **emergency certificate requests** that included Catlyn Bird, Stana Self, and Earl Dalke, Superintendent, **Hugo Public Schools**; Todd Burk and Shanda Brody, Principal, **Putnam City School District**; Stephanie Saccente and Tracy Thompson, Talent Management Strategist, **Tulsa Public Schools**.

Board member Flanagan moved to approve issuance of emergency certificates for the four presenters and remaining exceptions list. Board member Bobek seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Hernandez, yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Mr. Flanagan yes; Mr. Bobek yes; Ms. Monies, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

STUDENT LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

Statewide Assessment results

Christina McCreary, Assistant Executive Director, Assessment, presented the results of the Oklahoma school testing program 2019 state assessments in grades 3-8 and 11 math and English language arts (ELA); grades 5, 8 and 11 (college and career ready) Science, and grade 11 U.S. History (field test). All subjects and grade levels are federally mandated, and Oklahoma also mandates U.S. History.

Board members asked questions and discussed the results/reviews of new academic standards, testing program/proficiency resets, state alignments; subject and grade level proficiency, percentages and performance; SDE interim assessment (benchmarks) reviews, ESSA requirements, school district best practices and partners, vendor assessment reviews, current and previous year tests and standards comparisons, aligned supplemental resources, curriculum framework resource tools, future data trends/timelines; contracted evaluator experts, RSA 3 year grade level percentages, college and career readiness data; and effects of state economy/funding.

SCHOOL SUPPORT & ACCOUNTABILITY

Oklahoma School Report Cards –Approved

Maria Harris, Executive Director of Accountability presented the 2019 Oklahoma School Report Cards recommendation comprised of metrics and indicators. Ms. Harris highlighted the accountability system purpose and goals, system operations and results, impacts and future steps that will help schools recognize improvements and support needs.

Board members discussed and asked questions regarding the Oklahoma report card and accountability data, communication, support and school quality; indicator

results, overall grades, metric categories, diploma issuance; ESSA data requirements, school information system selections, SDE data collections, timelines, grade validation request/portals; report card indicators, overall letter grades, three year graduation rate; school district utilizing curriculum tools, progressions, student outcomes; Project ECHO peer tool, future data tools, professional development and collaborations; and dashboard updates(Oklaschools.com).

Board member Williams Bradley moved to release the 2019 report card scores for all sites across the state of Oklahoma. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Monies, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Ms. Hernandez; yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

LEGAL SERVICES/STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Rule Amendments – Approved

Lori Murphy, Assistant General Counsel, presented the following amended rules:

- (1) Title 210. State Department of Education
Chapter 1. State Board of Education
Subchapter 1. General Provisions
210:1-1-2. Definitions [AMENDED]
- (2) Title 210. State Department of Education
Chapter 10. School Administration and Instructional Services
Subchapter 13. Student Assessment
210:10-13-20. Academic Performance Index [REVOKED]
- (3) Title 210. State Department of Education
Chapter 10. School Administration and Instructional Services
Subchapter 13. Student Assessment
210:10-13-24. Medical exemptions from chronic absenteeism [REVOKED]

Board member Bobek moved to approve the amended rules request. Board member Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Hernandez; yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Ms. Monies, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Resolve into Executive Session

pursuant to 25 O.S. §§ 307 (B) (4) and (8) for the purpose of discussing possible action to accept the Hearing Officer's proposed orders to revoke the teacher certificate and certificate numbers of **McKensy Maddox** and **Jill Divine - 70 O.S. § 3-104; OAC 210-1-5-6**

Resolve into Executive Session
pursuant to 25 O.S. §§ 307 (B) (4) (7) and (8) for the purpose of discussing possible action to issue an emergency order summarily suspending the teacher certificates and certificate numbers of **Yahola A. Tiger** pending an individual proceeding for revocation or other action - **70 O.S. § 3-104; 75 O.S. § 314; OAC 210-1-5-6**

Resolve into Executive Session
pursuant to 25 O.S. §§ 307 (B) (4) to discuss pending litigation, *Oklahoma Public Charter School Association v. Oklahoma State Board of Education*, in the **District Court of Oklahoma County**, CV-2017-1330

Resolve into Executive Session
pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B) (4) to discuss pending litigation, *Midwest City-Del City Independent School District #52, et al., and Western Heights Independent School District #I-1 v. Oklahoma State Department of Education, Joy Hofmeister, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; and Oklahoma State Board of Education*, in the **District Court of Oklahoma County**, CV-2016-1965 and CJ-2016-4826

Board member Flanagan moved to convene into Executive Session at 11:56 a.m. Board member Monies seconded the motion: The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Monies, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Mr. Flanagan yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Ms. Hernandez, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Return to Open Session

Board member Flanagan moved to return to Open Session at 12:30 p.m. Board member Monies seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Hernandez; yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Ms. Monies, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

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

Board member Hernandez motioned to accept the Hearing Officer's proposed orders to revoke the teacher certificates and certificate numbers of **McKensey Maddox** and **Jill Divine**. Board member Monies seconded the motion: The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Monies, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Mr. Flanagan yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Ms. Hernandez, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Board member Monies moved to suspend the teacher certificate and certificate number of **Yahola A. Tiger**. Board member Bobek seconded the motion: The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Hernandez; yes; Ms. Williams Bradley, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Bobek, yes; Ms. Monies, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Brad Clark, General Counsel, Lori Murphy, Assistant General Counsel, and Telana McCullough, Staff Attorney, remained in the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Board member Williams Bradley moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:32 p.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, December 19, 2019, at 1:00 p.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