

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Action Item**  
May 20, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Minutes of April 10 and 11, 2014, State Board of Education Meetings

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

N/A

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The minutes of the April 10 and 11, 2014, State Board of Education meetings are presented for approval.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Minutes, April 10 and 11, 2014

**Facilitator/Presenter:** Chair Gary Chartrand

**MINUTES  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING**

April 10, 2014  
Department of Education  
Turlington Building  
325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1703/07  
Tallahassee, FL

Chair Gary Chartrand called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed members and guests to the State Board of Education meeting. The following members were present: Vice Chair John Padget, Ada Armas, John Colon, Marva Johnson, Rebecca Fishman Lipsey and Andy Tuck.

**MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. Tuck welcomed Ms. Johnson to the Board and wished Mr. Colon and Ms. Fishman Lipsey happy birthday. Mr. Tuck stated that he is looking forward to the presentation by Rod Duckworth, Chancellor, Career and Adult Education, and reminded everyone to keep businesses and future business in the forefront when talking about career and technical education.

Dr. Armas welcomed Ms. Johnson to the Board.

Vice Chair Padget welcomed Ms. Johnson to the Board and requested frequent, timely and in depth reports on the status of the new assessment.

Ms. Johnson stated her excitement to be on the Board and to be part of its very important work.

Ms. Fishman Lipsey welcomed Ms. Johnson to the Board and agreed with the comments by Mr. Padget for regular updates on the assessment. She also requested regular updates with benchmarks on the progress in regards to technology. Ms. Fishman Lipsey stated that this is a really important time for teacher retention and encouraged districts and schools to inform great teachers that they are valued and that we want them to return.

Mr. Colon welcomed Ms. Johnson to the Board and echoed Mr. Tuck's comments regarding Chancellor Duckworth's presentation. He also expressed his support for Speaker Weatherford's efforts to lower the tuition rate for undocumented students to the in-state rate.

Chair Chartrand recognized Commissioner Stewart for all her work on the Florida Standards and the selection of the next assessment. Chair Chartrand agreed with Vice Chair Padget in making sure that everything regarding the assessment goes as planned and full implementation of the standards in grades four through 12.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Stewart read the names of the five finalists for school-related employee of the year and stated that they will all be recognized at Legoland on April 25<sup>th</sup> when the winner will be announced: Debra Alvis Greenwald, Administrative Assistant, Booker Middle School, Sarasota County Public Schools; James Lefko, Food Services Manager, Bayshore Elementary School, Lee County Public Schools; Toni Padgett, Career Specialist, Fleming

Island High School, Clay County Public Schools; Kathy Morrissey, Executive Assistant, Professional Learning Department, Florida Virtual Schools; and Deloris Patterson, School Secretary, Dr. Phillips High School, Ninth Grade Center, Orange County Public Schools.

Commissioner Stewart explained that the assessment is currently being field tested on the entire student population in Utah and will provide Florida with a very good sampling without the need for additional testing. She also provided that the contract with the American Institutes for Research (AIR) should be finalized in May. Vice Chair Padgett expressed his interest in being updated on the process and cited the Pearson problems and the pains of a project not going well. Ms. Fishman Lipsey requested a detailed timeline to keep the Board up to date on the progress. Ms. Johnson requested the metrics being used to determine the success of the field testing in Utah. Chair Chartrand requested Utah's student performance as it relates to the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) in comparison to Florida.

Chair Chartrand called for a motion to approve the Commissioner's Report. The motion was made by Vice Chair Padgett with a second by Mr. Colon. The motion passed unanimously.

### **MINUTES**

Chair Chartrand called for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2014 Board meeting. The motion was made by Vice Chair Padgett with a second by Dr. Armas. The motion passed unanimously with the exception of Ms. Johnson who abstained from voting as she was not a member at that time.

### **UPDATE**

#### **K-12 Public Schools – Superintendent Carlene Anderson on behalf of the Florida Association of District School Superintendents**

Chair Chartrand recognized Carlene Anderson, Superintendent, Walton County Public Schools, to present on behalf of the Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS). Superintendent Anderson stated support for the state process with local selection of instructional materials and accountability legislation currently moving through the House and Senate. Superintendent Anderson expressed the need for a detailed timeline for implementation of the new assessment, sufficient time for professional development for teachers and school administrators, and load testing the system before going to computer-based testing. She explained that superintendents do not support a standard contract for charter schools and that districts should retain the ability to negotiate a contract with applicants/charter providers.

#### **Florida College System – President Jim Henningsen, on behalf of the Council of Presidents**

Chair Chartrand recognized Dr. Jim Henningsen, President, College of Central Florida, on behalf of the Council of Presidents. President Henningsen announced that the presidents have reached a compromise with the Senate for a review of the baccalaureate process and for a pause of no new proposals from March 31, 2014 to May 31, 2015. President Henningsen provided updates on the following items that are being monitored throughout the 2014 legislative session: performance measures, residency issues for in-state tuition for students of undocumented parents, technical colleges and textbook affordability.

**CONSENT ITEM**

**Adoption of Resolutions Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Not Exceeding \$450,000,000 State of Florida, Full Faith and Credit, State Board of Education Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) Refunding Bonds, 2014 Series (to be determined)**

Chair Chartrand called for a motion to approve the consent item. Vice Chair Padgett made the motion with a second by Mr. Tuck. The motion passed unanimously with the exception of Mr. Colon who abstained from voting and filed a Form 8A – Memorandum of Voting Conflict For State Officers.

Chair Chartrand announced that the remainder of the Board meeting will be at the Betty Easley Center on April 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, Chair Chartrand adjourned the meeting of the State Board of Education at 7:03 p.m.

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Cathy Schroeder, Corporate Secretary

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Gary Chartrand, Chair

**MINUTES  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING**

April 11, 2014

Betty Easley Conference Center  
Capital Circle Office Center  
4075 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Chair Gary Chartrand called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed members and guests to the State Board of Education meeting. The following members were present: Vice Chair John Padget, Ada Armas, John Colon, Marva Johnson, Rebecca Fishman Lipsey and Andy Tuck.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-6.0571, Career and Technical Education and Adult General Education Standards and Industry-Driven Benchmarks**

Chair Chartrand recognized Rod Duckworth, Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education, to answer any questions. Chair Chartrand called for a motion to approve Rule 6A-6.0571 as presented. Vice Chair Padget made the motion with a second by Mr. Colon. Ms. Fishman Lipsey recommended prior to deleting courses to try and recruit students to those course areas that are in high demand in the workforce. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-10.040, Basic Skills Requirements for Postsecondary Career and Technical Certificate Education**

Chair Chartrand recognized Chancellor Duckworth to answer any questions. Vice Chair Padget made the motion with a second by Dr. Armas. Vice Chair Padget requested Chancellor Duckworth to provide more details on the existing skills gaps and how to better match those with programs during his presentation next month. Chancellor Duckworth explained that at the next meeting there will local representatives who will represent the business and industry partners who work with the local school district along with the technical centers to explain to the Board how they work through the process locally and how they work to recruit students. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of New Rule 6A-14.0303, General Education Core Course Options**

Chair Chartrand recognized Matthew Bouck, Director, Office of Articulation, to provide an overview of the rule. Mr. Bouck stated that this rule implements a requirement in law to institute a set of general education core course options for the required 36-hour general education component of an associate in arts (AA) and baccalaureate degrees around the state. Chair Chartrand called for a motion to approve Rule 6A-14.0303 as presented. Vice Chair Padget made the motion. Ms. Fishman Lipsey explained her disagreement with a statewide law that obligates every college and university-level student to take a narrow band of specific classes. She agreed that there is a moral obligation to make sure that students take a breadth of classes and are exposed to all sorts of content areas, science, math and English, et cetera. But once students graduate from high school and are adults and are paying to attend institutions for a baccalaureate or an associate's degree, we should not be forcing them to retake high school by mandating lists of classes they need to take. Vice Chair Padget requested more information on the 36 hours of general education and

how it applies to the 120 hours at a university and 60 hours in a college. Mr. Bouck stated that the 36 hours of general education applies to an AA degree and a baccalaureate degree at a university and administrators, faculty from institutions, universities, and colleges from around the state participated in identifying these courses. He further explained that the university system will be approving an almost identical rule in June to apply to the universities with general education core course options. Chair Chartrand reminded the Board that vote before the Board is not for the law but for the approval of the rule. Ms. Johnson asked if students could test out of any of these required courses. Mr. Bouck explained that students can use an accelerated mechanism to generate the credit and that would satisfy the requirement. Dr. Armas seconded the motion. The new rule passed 5-2. In favor: Chair Chartrand, Dr. Armas, Mr. Colon, Ms. Johnson, and Mr. Tuck. Opposed: Vice Chair Padgett and Ms. Fishman Lipsey.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

Chair Chartrand called for a motion to approve consent items one and two. Vice Chair Padgett made the motion with a second by Mr. Tuck. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Chartrand announced that the next meeting will be on May 18<sup>th</sup> in Santa Rosa County.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, Chair Chartrand adjourned the meeting of the State Board of Education at 9:15 a.m.

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Cathy Schroeder, Corporate Secretary

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Gary Chartrand, Chair