



Mississippi Department of Education

"A Quality Education for Every Child... Every Child a Reader."

Mississippi Board of Education
January 20, 2012
8:30 A.M.
4th Floor Boardroom
Central High School Building
359 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Agenda

- I. Call to order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Invocation
- III. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of December 15, 2011
- IV. Additions or deletions –
Approval of agenda
- V. Report of the Chair
- VI. Approval of Action Items
(Items below are numbered to correspond to the items as discussed on Thursday, January 19, 2012.)
05. Approval to modify contract with Measured Progress for Fiscal Year 2012 to increase the scope of technical services and products for the Mississippi Alternate Assessment of Extended Curriculum Frameworks
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
06. Approval to modify contract with Connections Academy, LLC for the operation of the Mississippi Virtual Public School System
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
07. Approval of textbooks as recommended by the 2011 State Textbook Rating Committee for adoption in the areas of Reading K-3, Literature/Reading 4-8, Literature/Reading 9-12 and Social Studies: World Geography and Citizenship – 6th Grade
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

08. Approval to contract with vendors as recommended by the 2011 State Textbook Rating Committee for the adoption of textbooks in the areas of Reading K-3, Literature/Reading 4-8, Literature/Reading 9-12 and Social Studies: World Geography and Citizenship – 6th Grade
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
09. Approval to revise the Mississippi Early Learning Standards for Classrooms Serving Four-Year Old Children (English Language Arts and Mathematics)
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments)
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
10. Approval to revise the Mississippi Early Learning Standards for Classrooms Serving Three-Year Old Children (English Language Arts and Mathematics)
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments)
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
11. Approval of revision/removal of the following State Board Policies
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
 - A. Approval to revise State Board Policy 2100 – Class Size
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - B. Approval to revise State Board Policy 2901 – Curriculum Guides
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - C. Approval to revise State Board Policy 2902 – Approved Courses for the Secondary Schools
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - D. Approval to revise State Board Policy 2904 – Early Learning Guidelines for Four Year Old Children
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - E. Approval to revise State Board Policy 3700 – Gifted
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - F. Approval to revise State Board Policy 4400 – Kindergarten
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)

- G. Approval to remove State Board Policy 1703 – Assistant Teacher Program
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - H. Approval to remove State Board Policy 6006 – Kindergarten Classrooms
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
 - I. Approval to remove State Board Policy 6300 – Reading Improvement Program
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
12. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process to revise/remove the following State Board Policies:
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
- A. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To remove State Board Policy 2400 – Consolidated Applications (Federal Funds)
 - B. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 4200 – Homeless
 - C. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To remove State Board Policy 4700 – Level 1 and 2 Districts Consolidated Applications
 - D. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 7801 – Complaint Procedures
 - E. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 7802 – Expenditure of Funds on Instruction
13. Approval of critical shortage subject areas and geographical regions for the following programs: Federal Stafford Program, Federal Perkins Loan, Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program, Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program, and the William Winter Teacher Scholar Loan Program
(Office of Quality Professionals & Special Schools)
14. Approval of request from Delta State University for a Master’s Program in Educational Leadership as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure Development
(Office of Quality Professionals & Special Schools)

15. Approval of Teacher Education Program Accreditation for the Institutions that met the 2011 Process and Performance Standards as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Licensure and Certification and Development
(Office of Quality Professionals & Special Schools)
 16. Approval of revision Appendix A and Standard 20 of the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2010*, to include the Career Pathway Option as required by Section 37-16-17 of the *Mississippi Code of 1972*, as amended
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
(Office of Educational Accountability)
 17. Approval of contract with Joe DeCastra to provide project management and business analytical services
(Office of Educational Accountability)
 18. Approval of contract with Godwin Group to provide design and development services, technical assistance, and content management (technical writing) expertise in support of the MDE management team
(Office of Educational Accountability)
 19. Approval of Consent Item
 - A. Approval of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
- VII. Recognition Ceremony
- **2011 Administrator of the Year Finalists/Winner**
 - Congressional District 1
Dr. Deborah Davis, Principal
Tupelo Public School District
 - Congressional District 2
Dr. Debra Mays-Jackson, Principal
Jackson Public School District
 - Congressional District 3
Mr. Richard Morrison, Principal
Rankin County School District
 - Congressional District 4
Dr. Kenneth Culpepper, Principal
Laurel School District

- **December 2011 MDE Employee of the Month**
Lakechia Grant
Office of Curriculum and Instruction
Education Specialist Senior
- **January 2012 MDE Employee of the Month**
Virgie Webb
Office of Career and Technical Education
Projects Officer III

VIII. State Board of Education

01. Report on meetings attended
02. Approval of attendance at meetings

IX. Other Business

X. Adjournment

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