

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OKLAHOMA STATE DEPT. OF EDUCATION  
OLIVER HODGE BUILDING  
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD  
STATE BOARD ROOM, SUITE 1-20  
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

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## AGENDA

**Thursday, June 24, 2021**

1. Call to order and roll call – 9:30 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance, Salute to the Oklahoma State Flag, and Moment of Silence  
*(I salute the flag of the State of Oklahoma. Its symbols of peace unite all people.*
3. **STATE SUPERINTENDENT**  
Information from the State Superintendent
  - Recognition of Department Employee for the month of June: **Frances Clevenger**
  - Recognition of Oklahoma U.S. Presidential Scholars **Emily Jordan Benelli Ward**, Locust Grove High School, Locust Grove, Oklahoma and **Sean Michael Kuehn**, Charles Page High School, Sand Springs, Oklahoma
4. **BOARD - ADMINISTRATIVE**
  - (Action) (a) Discussion and possible action on minutes of the May 17, 2021, Special State Board of Education meeting
  - (Action) (b) Discussion and possible action on minutes of the May 24, 2021, Special State Board of Education meeting
  - (Action) (c) Discussion and possible action on minutes of the May 27, 2021, Special State Board of Education meeting
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Patrons may speak to the Board on any matter set forth on the current board agenda, excluding any matter which may be identified as including and/or pertaining to a proposed executive session. Comments on current board agenda items will be limited to the **first ten (10)** individuals who email [Terrie.Cheadle@sde.ok.gov](mailto:Terrie.Cheadle@sde.ok.gov) by 5:00 p.m. on June 23, 2021, advising of their intent to provide public comment to the Board. In the email requesting to provide public comment, the individual or representative must provide their name, email and phone number, along with the agenda item to be commented on. A time limit of four (4) minutes will be allowed for each speaker addressing an item set forth on the current board agenda.

Further, three (3) individuals per board meeting may speak to matters **not** on the current board agenda. Individuals desiring to speak must email [Terrie.Cheadle@sde.ok.gov](mailto:Terrie.Cheadle@sde.ok.gov) by 5:00 p.m. on June 23, 2021, advising of their intent to provide public comment to the Board on a matter that is not on the current board agenda.

Provided, however, a time limit of three (3) minutes will be allowed for each speaker addressing a matter not set forth on the current board agenda.

For all public comments, in the Board Chairperson's sole discretion, the time limit may be extended. Further, the Board Chairperson may interrupt and/or terminate any presentation during public comment, which does not conform to the procedures outlined under this Section. The Board Chairperson reserves and retains the right to interrupt, terminate, or postpone public comment as necessary to effectuate the management of the public meeting.

**6. CONSENT DOCKET (Action)**

Discussion and possible action on the following deregulation applications, statutory waivers, and exemptions for the 2020-2021 school year - **70 O.S. § 3-104**; **OAC 210:35-1-4**

- (Action) (a) Request approval on exceptions to State Board of Education teacher certification regulations to permit issuance of emergency (provisional) certificates - **70 O.S. § 6-187**
- (Action) (b) Request state accreditation approval as a private school for **Solid Foundation Preparatory Academy, Tulsa, Oklahoma** - **OAC 210:35-33-1** and **70 O.S. § 3-104(7)**
- (Action) (c) Request state accreditation approval as a private school for **Terra Verde Discovery School, Norman, Oklahoma** - **OAC 210:35-33-1** and **70 O.S. § 3-104(7)**

*All of the items of routine nature normally approved at board meetings will be approved by one vote unless any board member desires to have a separate vote on any or all of these items.*

**7. CURRICULUM and INSTRUCTION – Tiffany Neill, Deputy Superintendent**

- (Action) (a) Discussion and possible action to approve Reading Sufficiency Act screeners for students in kindergarten through third grade - **70 O.S. § 1210.508C(D)(1-5)** - **Melissa Ahlgrim, Director of Reading Sufficiency**

**8. SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES – Todd Loftin, Deputy Superintendent**

- (Action) (a) Discussion and possible action to approve Dyslexia Screening Assessments for students in kindergarten through third grade - **70 O.S. § 1210.508C(D)(1-5)** - **Michele DeBerry, Special Education Services Program Specialist**

**9. FEDERAL PROGRAMS & FINANCE – Monty Guthrie, Deputy Superintendent**

- (a) Presentation and discussion on the Oklahoma Advisory Council Indian Education Annual Report – **Jackie White, Executive Director, Indian Education**

**10. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS – Carolyn Thompson, Chief of Government Affairs**

- (a) Presentation and discussion on the FY2022 Education Budget

**11. TEACHER CERTIFICATION – Brad Clark, General Counsel**

- (Action) (a) Discussion and possible action to issue certificates to teach to persons who have successfully completed a competency examination provided by Educational Testing Service – Praxis Series Tests (ETS – Praxis), recognizing ETS – Praxis as an examination used in a majority of other states - [70 O.S. § 6-190\(H\)](#)

**12. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE – Brad Clark, General Counsel**

- (a) Report, update and discussion on **Sovereign Community School**, including the school’s 5-year financial plan, leadership and governance, student enrollment, liabilities and assets, measurements of operational progress from the April 9 and April 22, 2021, State Board of Education meetings - **70 O.S. §§ 3-104, 3-104.4 and 3-137; OAC 210:35-3-201**
- (Action) (b) Discussion and possible action to resolve into Executive Session pursuant to **25 O.S. §§ 307 (B) (4) and (7)** for the purpose of discussing possible action to issue an emergency order summarily suspending the educator certificate (Superintendent, Prek-12) and certificate number of **Mannix Barnes** pending an individual proceeding for revocation or other action - **70 O.S. § 3-104; 75 O.S. § 314; OAC 210-1-5-6**
1. Vote to Convene in Executive Session
  2. Vote to Acknowledge Return to Open Session
  3. Discussion and possible action regarding the matters discussed in Executive Session
- (Action) (c) Update, report, discussion on the performance review and accreditation status of **Western Heights Independent School District**, including conditions and corrective actions, and possible action to modify the conditions of the district’s status of Accredited with Probation, and possible action to provide notice of state intervention and/or possible loss of accreditation and annexation - **70 O.S. § 3-104, 3-104.3, 3-104.4 and OAC 210:35-3-201**
- (Action) (d) Discussion and possible action to request a special investigative audit of **Western Heights Independent School District** for fiscal years 2019-20 to current and any other years deemed necessary for compliance with statutes, rules, policies and internal control procedures or other items applicable to Western Heights Independent School District - **74 O.S. § 213**

**13. ADJOURNMENT (Action)**