

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OLIVER HODGE EDUCATION BUILDING:
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD, ROOM 1-20
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

March 5, 2012

The State Board of Education met in regular session at 1:35 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2012, in the Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 12:07 p.m. on Friday March 2, 2012.

The following were present:

Ms. Connie Holland, Chief Executive Secretary
Ms. Terrie Cheadle, Administrative Assistant

Members of the State Board of Education present:

State Superintendent Janet Barresi, Chairperson of the Board
MG (R) Lee Baxter, Lawton
Ms. Amy Ford, Durant (departed at 3:00 p.m.)
Mr. Brian Hayden, Enid
Ms. Joy Hofmeister, Tulsa
Mr. William "Bill" Price, Oklahoma City
Mr. William "Bill" Shdeed, Oklahoma City

Others in attendance are shown as an attachment.

**CALL TO ORDER
AND
ROLL CALL**

Superintendent Barresi called the State Board of Education special meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ms. Holland called the roll and ascertained there was a quorum.

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

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

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Office of Instruction

**Adopting the Reward, Targeted, Intervention, Focus,
Priority and C³ Schools, Procedures and the District Capacity
Determination Review Process as the Process to Identify
Schools that are Consistently Listed as Persistently Low-Achieving
Schools in Accordance with 70 O.S. § 1210.544 Approved**

Superintendent Barresi said at the February 23, 2012, Board meeting Mr. Richard Caram, Director of C³ Schools, reviewed the procedures and process to identify schools that are consistently listed as persistently low-achieving schools. Board approval is requested for the process. Mr. Caram was present for comments or questions.

Board Member Baxter asked if there were changes to what was presented at the February 23, 2012, State Board meeting?

Mr. Caram said there are no changes.

Board Member Baxter made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Hayden seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Ford, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; and Mr. Price, yes.

Board Member Price asked when comparing Academic Performance Index (API) scores to the schools who are on the list persistently low-achieving, there is a great correlation but it is only an 85 percent correlation. Some API scores were low but the school(s) escaped being on the list. What are some of the other factors that come into play in addition to API? Why did some schools make the list and others did not?

Ms. Maridyth McBee, Assistant State Superintendent, Accountability and Assessment, said the criteria is slightly different in the way reading and math is calculated. It was most important to identify each school in the state and so the end count of how many students had to be in a subgroup is lower for a newly identified priority school than it was on the original API scores. Sometimes there is an API or the API did not count for the low-performing because there was

not enough students in that category. Also, API includes things like graduation rate and attendance, which are not included in identifying the priority list. As we go through this list and the “A” through “F” criteria, a workbook will be formulated that describes exactly how to calculate and get on a list.

LEGAL SERVICES

Permanent Rule Adoption Approved

Ms. Kim Richey, Assistant General Counsel, said on December 15, 2011, the SDE published a notice rules would be promulgated. These rules were released to the public on December 19, 2011, opened for public comment through and Hearing on February 16, 2012. The public comment was extended through March 1, 2012, at 4 p.m.

Ms. Richey presented six rules for permanent rule adoption. She reviewed the rule revisions and modifications that were made as a result of written and oral comments presented at the public hearing on Thursday, February 16, 2012.

Chapter 1. State Board of Education; Subchapter 3. Departmental Precepts-creates a procedure for the determination of severance to be paid to teachers who lost their employment due to annexation, consolidation, and dispensation.

Board Member Baxter made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Ford seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; and Ms. Ford, yes.

Chapter 1. State Board of Education; Subchapter 5. Due Process – revokes trial de novo rules provisions and amends probationary and non-career teacher due process.

Board Member Ford made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Hayden seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Ford, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; and Mr. Price, yes.

Chapter 10. School Administration and Instructional Services: Subchapter 1. General Provisions – clarifies the current statutory scheme relating to emergency, open, special education, and gifted transfers.

Board Member Baxter made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Hofmeister seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; and Ms. Ford, yes.

Chapter 15. Curriculum and Instruction; Subchapter 27. Reading Sufficiency Act – updates requirements for assessing and identifying students for Reading Sufficiency Act (RSA) program and addresses third-grade retention, good cause exemptions to retention and mid-year promotion.

Board Member Ford made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Price seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Ford, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; and Mr. Price, yes.

Chapter 30. School Facilities and Transportation; Subchapter 5. Transportation – establishes a process by which insulin dependent individuals may be employed as bus drivers

and sets forth eligibility and monitoring requirements for both the individual and employing school district.

Board Member Hayden made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Ford seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; and Ms. Ford, yes.

Chapter 15. Curriculum and Instruction; Subchapter 34. Supplemental Online Course Procedures – pertains to implementation of online course delivery.

Board Member Baxter made a motion to approve the request and Board Member Price seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Ford, yes; Mr. Hayden, yes; Ms. Hofmeister, yes; Gen. Baxter, yes; Mr. Shdeed, yes; and Mr. Price, yes.

LEGAL SERVICES

Report on Current Rule Promulgation

Ms. Kim Richey, Assistant General Counsel, said notice was published on February 15, 2012 for new promulgated rules. Public comment for these rules will close with a Hearing Monday, March 19, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. Those rules include bullying, GED testing fee, “A” through “F” grading system, six-year comprehensive local education plan, social studies curriculum, gifted and talented education funds, teacher certifications and finance/school audit clarifications.

FIRST-YEAR SUPERINTENDENTS

First-year superintendent(s) attending the meeting was Dr. Kristy Ehlers, Superintendent, Fletcher Public Schools.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. Board Member Hayden made a motion to adjourn and Board Member Hofmeister seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Thursday, March 29, 2012, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will convene at the State Department of Education, 2500 North Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Janet Barresi, Chairperson of the Board

Connie Holland, Chief Executive Secretary