

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee on School Initiatives
February 2, 2017**

The State Board of Education Committee on School Initiatives met at 9:05 a.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2017, in Room #1-111 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

Presiding: Barbara Cargill, chair; Marisa Perez, vice chair; Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Keven Ellis; Marty Rowley

Public Testimony

This item provides an opportunity for the public to present testimony at the time the related item comes up for committee discussion or action. The procedures for registering and taking public testimony at State Board of Education committee meetings and general board meetings are provided at http://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Leadership/State_Board_of_Education/SBOE_Meetings/SBOE_Operating_Rules_Amended_4-17-15/ or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

The Committee on School Initiatives received no presentations of public testimony.

ACTION ITEM

**1. Election of Chair
(no agenda exhibit)**

State Board of Education (SBOE) operating rules call for each committee to elect a chair from among its members. This item provides an opportunity for each of the SBOE standing committees to elect a chair at this meeting if the SBOE retains the existing committee structure. The chair may then appoint a vice chair. If the board changes the committee structure, the committee may elect a member to preside over this first meeting only. Statutory authority for this action is the Texas Education Code, §7.107.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried unanimously to elect Mrs. Cargill as chair and Ms. Perez as vice chair of the Committee on School Initiatives.*

CONSENT ITEMS

2. Recommendation for Appointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees
(Board agenda page IV-1)
[Consent agenda item #(7)]

Mr. Rowley recused himself from this item.

Ron Rowell, director, governance and investigations, presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding an appointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that based on Mr. Dan Adams' recommendation, the State Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Jaque Branch to serve a term of office, from February 3, 2017 through April 2017, on the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

3. Recommendation for Appointment to the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees

(Board agenda page IV-7)

[Consent agenda item #(8)]

Mr. Rowell presented to the committee information regarding an appointment to the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that based on Colonel David L. Raugh's recommendation, the State Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Deborah Seabron to serve a term of office from February 3, 2017 through September 14, 2017, on the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

4. Recommendation for Appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees

(Board agenda page IV-21)

[Consent agenda item #(9)]

Mr. Rowell presented to the committee information regarding an appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that based on Colonel Thomas G Miner, Jr.'s recommendation, the State Board of Education approve the appointment of Colonel William Morrison II to serve a term of office from February 3, 2017 through February 2, 2018 on the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

CONSENT ITEM

5. Adoption of Review of 19 TAC Chapter 30, Administration, Subchapter A, State Board of Education: General Provisions

(Board agenda page IV-37)

[Consent agenda item #(10)]

Ms. Cristina De La Fuente-Valadez, director of rulemaking, presented the item.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the SBOE adopt the review of 19 TAC Chapter 30, Administration, Subchapter A, State Board of Education: General Provisions.*

ACTION ITEM

6. **Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 30, Administration, Subchapter A, State Board of Education: General Provisions, §30.1, Petition for Adoption of Rule Changes (Board agenda page IV-45)
[Official agenda item #12]**

Ms. Cristina De La Fuente-Valadez, director of rulemaking, presented information regarding the proposed amendment to 19 TAC §30.1.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the SBOE suspend the board operating procedures in accordance with §5.2(a) to allow consideration at first reading and filing authorization; and approve for first reading and filing authorization the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 30, Administration, Subchapter A, State Board of Education: General Provisions, §30.1, Petition for Adoption of Rule Changes, as amended (Attachment A).*

The meeting of the Committee on School Initiatives adjourned at 9:42 a.m.