

**State Board of Education
Summary of Actions
June 25, 2021**

The State Board of Education met on June 25, 2021, and took actions described below. Additional information about each agenda item can be found at [2021 June Agenda | Texas Education Agency](#).

Student Performance

Student performance was provided virtually by the Mariachi Nuevo Santander, Roma High School.

1. Resolutions

Resolution honoring the Student Heroes

The State Board of Education, by unanimous consent, adopted a resolution commending each of the following students for their unselfish volunteerism, good character, and integrity: Arianna Suniga of Medina Valley Independent School District (ISD), Julia Gilliam of Flour Bluff ISD, Michael Frere of North East ISD, Paridhi Latawa of Austin ISD, Byron Randon II of Sweeney ISD, Connelly Cowan of Mount Pleasant ISD, Aubrey Hollingsworth of Hutto ISD, Brock Burgan of Hurst-Euless-Bedford ISD, Pranavi Reddi of Frisco ISD, Zahria Griggs of Harmony School of Excellence in Dallas, Romella Spitzer of Copperas Cove ISD, and Ivy Pham of Wichita Falls ISD.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the State Board of Education Support Division at (512) 463-9007.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda

The State Board of Education approved the following items on the consent agenda.

(1) Approval of Updates and Substitutions to Adopted Instructional Materials

The State Board of Education approved the request from Learning A–Z to update content in its adopted product Raz Plus ELL Texas Edition, grades 2–4.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Instructional Materials and Implementation Division at (512) 463-9601.

(2) Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter D, Special Education Services and Settings, §89.61, Contracting for Residential Educational Placements for Students with Disabilities, and §89.63, Instructional Arrangements and Settings

The State Board of Education approved for first reading and filing authorization proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter D, Special Education Services and Settings, §89.61, Contracting for Residential Educational Placements for Students with Disabilities, and §89.63, Instructional Arrangements and Settings.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of Special Populations and Monitoring Department of Special Education at (512) 463-9414.

(3) Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 105, Foundation School Program, Subchapter A, Definitions, §105.1, Rules for the Definition of Tax Levy and Tax Collection

The State Board of Education approved for second reading and final adoption the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 105, Foundation School Program, Subchapter A, Definitions, §105.1, Rules for the Definition of Tax Levy and Tax Collection, and made an affirmative finding that immediate adoption of the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 105, Foundation School Program, Subchapter A, Definitions, §105.1, Rules for the Definition of Tax Levy and Tax Collection, is necessary and shall have an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the State Funding Division at (512) 463-9238.

(4) Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 109, Budgeting, Accounting, and Auditing, Subchapter B, Texas Education Agency Audit Functions, §109.25, State Compensatory Education Program Reporting and Auditing System

The State Board of Education approved for first reading and filing authorization the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 109, Budgeting, Accounting, and Auditing, Subchapter B, Texas Education Agency Audit Functions, §109.25, State Compensatory Education Program Reporting and Auditing System.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Financial Compliance Division at (512) 463-9095.

(5) Ratification of the Purchases and Sales of the Investment Portfolio of the Permanent School Fund for the Months of March and April 2021

The State Board of Education removed this item from the consent agenda.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(6) Report on the Permanent School Fund Liquid Account

The State Board of Education ratified the purchases and sales of the Permanent School Fund Liquid Account for the period March 1, 2021, through April 30, 2021, in the amounts of \$194,784,513 and \$16,173,997 respectively.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(7) Review of the Bond Guarantee Program Charter Capacity

The committee took no action; therefore, there was an automatic increase due to no action being taken. This item was removed from the consent agenda.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(8) Review of the Permanent School Fund Real Estate Asset Class and Real Estate Policy and Tactical Plan

The State Board of Education removed this item from the consent agenda.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(9) Selection of Qualified Respondents to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Outside Legal Counsel for the State Board of Education and the Texas Permanent School Fund: Fiduciary, Investment Contracting, Real Estate, Tax and Disclosure Counsel

The State Board of Education approved the list of qualified respondents for the categories of fiduciary, investment contracting, real estate, tax, and disclosure counsel.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(10) Approval of the Selection of a Firm(s) to Provide Services Related to U.S. High Yield Fixed Income Discretionary Investment Managers for the Texas Permanent School Fund and the State Board of Education as outlined in Request for Proposal (RFP) 701-21-002 and Authorization for Contract Execution by the Commissioner of Education

The State Board of Education approved execution of agreements with Pine Bridge Investments and Barings LLC, for the management of the Permanent School Fund's (PSF) U.S. high yield fixed income discretionary investments and provide each manager with the authorization to initially invest up to \$600 million in U.S. high yield fixed income securities for the PSF and authorized contract execution by the commissioner of education. .

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(11) Selection of State Board Member Nominees for Statewide Board Positions

The State Board of Education removed this item from the consent agenda.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

(12) Recommendation for Reappointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District Board of Trustees

The State Board of Education approved the reappointment of Ms. Jacque Branch to serve a two-year term of office from June 25, 2021, to June 25, 2023, on the Boys Ranch ISD Board of Trustees.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Division of School Governance at (512) 475-3697.

(13) Recommendation for Reappointment to the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees

The State Board of Education approved the reappointment of Ms. Lisa M. Brown to serve a term of office from June 25, 2021, through June 25, 2023, on the Fort Sam Houston ISD Board of Trustees

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Division of School Governance at (512) 475-3697.

(14) Recommendation for Appointments to the Lackland Independent School District Board of Trustees

The State Board of Education approved the appointments of Mr. John Sheehan and Mr. John K. Jackson and the reappointment of Mrs. Jere M. Pace, to serve terms of office from June 25, 2021, through June 25, 2023, on the Lackland ISD Board of Trustees.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Division of School Governance at (512) 475-3697.

(15) Approval of 2021–2025 Rule Review Plan for State Board of Education Rules

The State Board of Education approved the proposed 2021-2025 Rule Review Plan for State Board of Education Rules.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Rulemaking Division at (512) 463-9734.

COMMITTEE OF THE FULL BOARD

3. Proposed New 19 TAC Chapter 112, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Science, Subchapter C, High School, §§112.46-112.51 (Second Reading and Final Adoption)

The State Board of Education approved for second reading and final adoption proposed new 19 TAC Chapter 112, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Science, Subchapter C, High School, §112.46, Implementation of Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Science, High School, Adopted 2021; §112.47, Aquatic Science, Adopted 2021 (One Credit); §112.48, Astronomy, Adopted 2021 (One Credit); §112.49, Earth Science Systems, Adopted 2021 (One Credit); §112.50, Environmental Systems, Adopted 2021 (One Credit); and §112.51, Specialized Topics in Science, Adopted 2021 (One Credit), as amended and recommended by the Committee of the Full Board.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

4. Consideration of the Commissioner of Education’s Generation 26 Open-Enrollment Charter School Proposals

The State Board of Education approved three of the seven new charter schools recommended by the commissioner of education. Those are: Thrive Center for Success (Magnolia); Rocketship Public Schools (Fort Worth); and Essence Preparatory Charter School (San Antonio).

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Charter School Authorizing and Administration Division at (512) 463-9575.

5. Update on Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) Review

The State Board of Education took no action on this item.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

6. Proposed Repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter D, Other High School Mathematics Courses, §§111.56-111.59 (Second Reading and Final Adoption)

The State Board of Education approved for second reading and final adoption the proposed repeal of 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter D, Other High School Mathematics Courses, §§111.56-111.59.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

7. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.28, Students with Dyslexia and Related Disorders (First Reading and Filing Authorization)

The State Board of Education approved for first reading and filing authorization the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions, §74.28, Students with Dyslexia and Related Disorders.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Curriculum Standards and Student Support Division at (512) 463-9581.

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE/PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND

8. Ratification of the Purchases and Sales of the Investment Portfolio of the Permanent School Fund for the Months of March and April 2021

The State Board of Education ratified the purchases and sales for the months of March and April 2021, in the amounts of \$1,164,734,198 and \$1,129,916,374, respectively.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

9. Review of the Permanent School Fund Real Estate Asset Class and Real Estate Policy and Tactical Plan

The State Board of Education approved proposed changes to the Real Estate Investment Policy Statement and the Annual Tactical Plan, Appendix B of the Real Estate Investment Policy Statement.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.

10. Selection of State Board Member Nominees for Statewide Board Positions

The State Board of Education approved the nominees to be sent to the Governor for the Teacher Retirement System Board and The School Land Board.

Staff Contact: Questions about this item should be directed to the Office of the Permanent School Fund at (512) 463-9169.