



MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Called WebEx Meeting
April 12, 2021
9:00 A.M. (CDT)
Meeting Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yiWwEghWfjU>

Note: These minutes correspond to the video recording. Each item has a minute counter assigned to the subject location in the audio file.

Member	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x	
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x	
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x	
Mr. Mike Edwards	x	
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x	
Mr. Garren Hamby	x	
Mr. Larry Jensen	x	
Ms. Elissa Kim		x-excused
Dr. Emily House - Interim THEC Director	x	
Mr. Nate Morrow	x	
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove	x	

Welcome & Introductions

Chairman Lillian Hartgrove, Chairman of the State Board of Education and Dr. Sara Morrison, Executive Director of the State Board of Education (00:00-04:00)

ESSER Grant Updates/Discussion

Commissioner Penny Schwinn, Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Education (04:00-36:15)

I. Statement of Necessity

Ms. Angie Sanders, General Counsel for the State Board of Education (36:15-37:25)

II. Consent Items

Chairman Lillian Hartgrove (37:25-38:23)

A. Adoption of Agenda by Roll Call Vote Chairman Lillian Hartgrove

Item/Rule: Adoption of Agenda			
Motion: Mr. Edwards			
Second: Mr. Eby			
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x		
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x		
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x		
Mr. Mike Edwards	x		
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x		
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x		
Mr. Larry Jensen	x		
Mr. Nate Morrow	x		
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x		

III. Action Items (Final Reading)

All items require a roll call vote.

A. Educator Evaluation Policy 5.201

(38:25-49:41)

Final reading of the policy to update the educator evaluation policy in alignment with rule revisions and legislation from the 2021 Special Session. Staff amended this item since first reading. Mr. Jack Powers, Director of Policy for the Tennessee Department of Education, presented the item.

Item/Rule: Educator Evaluation Policy 5.201			
Motion: Mr. Ferguson			
Second: Mr. Morrow			
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x		
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x		
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x		
Mr. Mike Edwards	x		
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x		
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x		
Mr. Larry Jensen	x		
Mr. Nate Morrow	x		
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x		

B. Continuous Learning Plans (CLP) Permanent Rule 0520-01-17

(49:41-56:11)

Final reading of the rule to establish a permanent expectation for districts and the public charter schools to maintain CLPs for use in the event of emergencies that affect school operations. Staff amended this rule since first reading. Ms. Amy Owen, Director of Policy and Research for the State Board of Education, presented the item.

Item/Rule: Continuous Learning Plans (CLP) Permanent Rule 0520-01-17			
Motion: Mr. Eby Second: Mr. Morrow			
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x		
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x		
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x		
Mr. Mike Edwards	x		
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x		
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x		
Mr. Larry Jensen	x		
Mr. Nate Morrow	x		
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x		

C. Summer Learning Program Requirements Emergency Rule 0520-01-03-. 14 (56:11-1:12:42)

First and final reading of emergency rule 0520-01-03-. 14 to establish specific requirements related to summer learning programs in the summer of 2021. Mr. Jack Powers presented the item. **Note:** An amendment was proposed by Mr. Eby to strengthen demonstrated content knowledge and language contained in the rule. Members voted on the amendment and all members in attendance accepted the amendment.

Item/Rule: Summer Learning Program Requirements Emergency Rule 0520-01-03-. 14 (Amendment vote)			
Motion: Mr. Eby Second: Mr. Edwards			
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x		
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x		
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x		
Mr. Mike Edwards	x		
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x		
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x		
Mr. Larry Jensen	x		
Mr. Nate Morrow	x		
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x		

(1:12:42-1:13:44)

Item/Rule: Summer Learning Program Requirements Emergency Rule 0520-01-03-. 14 (Vote on rule as amended)			
Motion: Mr. Darnell Second: Mr. Cobbins			
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x		
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x		
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x		

Mr. Mike Edwards	x		
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x		
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x		
Mr. Larry Jensen	x		
Mr. Nate Morrow	x		
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x		

D. Requirements as a Result of the COVID-19 Health Emergency, Emergency Rule 0520-02-03-.15 (1:13:44-1:35:45)

First and final reading of the rule 0520-02-03-. 15 to incorporate flexibility for permits and endorsement exemption waivers for the 2020-21 school year, pursuant to recently passed legislation. Ms. Angie Sanders presented the item.

Item/Rule: Requirements as a Result of the COVID-19 Health Emergency, Emergency Rule 0520-02-03-. 15			
Motion: Mr. Cobbins			
Second: Mr. Ferguson			
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x		
Mr. Nicholas Darnell	x		
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x		
Mr. Mike Edwards			x
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x		
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x		
Mr. Larry Jensen	x		
Mr. Nate Morrow	x		
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x		

E. Textbook and Instructional Materials Waiver Request: Clinton City Schools (1:35:45-1:45:50)

First and final reading of the item to consider a textbook and instructional materials waiver request from Clinton City Schools for third grade English language arts materials. Ms. Amy Owen presented the item.

Item/Rule: Textbook and Instructional Materials Waiver Request: Clinton City Schools				
Motion: Mr. Eby				
Second: Mr. Cobbins				
Member	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Darrell Cobbins	x			
Mr. Nicholas Darnell				x
Mr. Bob Eby - Vice Chairman	x			
Mr. Mike Edwards	x			
Mr. Gordon Ferguson	x			
Mr. Garren Hamby - Student member	x			
Mr. Larry Jensen	x			
Mr. Nate Morrow	x			

Ms. Lillian Hartgrove - Chairman	x			
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IV. Adjournment

(1:48:18)

REMAINING MEETING DATES FOR 2021:

**May 21, 2021
July 23, 2021
October 29, 2021**

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