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### Local School Board Member Training Policy 2.100

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#### **The Background:**

T.C.A. § 49-2-202(a)(6) requires the State Board of Education (State Board) to establish the minimum requirements for the annual training of local school board members. State Board Rule 0520-01-01-.11 sets forth the process for approval of the training courses and requires the appointment of an advisory committee to evaluate and recommend course proposals for State Board approval.

State Board staff received twenty (20) applications by the February 15<sup>th</sup> deadline from three (3) prospective course providers, several of which were applying for reapproval of a training course: Leadership Institute, Pathway2Careers, and Tennessee School Boards Association. The advisory committee met on March 21<sup>st</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> to evaluate the applications, provide feedback to applicants as needed, and prepare its recommendation for the State Board.

The advisory committee voted to recommend nineteen (19) of the twenty (20) applications for State Board approval. Applicants may choose to reapply or apply to provide additional training courses annually. The recommended courses are included in this policy. The advisory committee's evaluation rubrics for all the proposed courses are provided for reference and include evidence in support of the advisory committee's decisions. Training course approvals are valid for three (3) years, unless otherwise noted in this policy.

#### **The Fiscal Analysis Impact:**

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Board staff prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule, or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. While there is no definitive financial impact on an LEA, should a local school board choose to select a training that has a cost associated with it, a cost would be incurred.

#### **Policy Justification:**

T.C.A. § 4-5-230 requires that justification for adopting an item as a policy instead of a rule be submitted to the chair of the Government Operations Committee. This item is proposed to be adopted as a policy because it defines or explains the meaning of a statute or rule and/or concerns only the internal management of state government that does not affect private rights or privileges.

#### **Connection to the [Master Plan](#):**

This item supports the State Board's strategic focus on Engagement and Accountability outlined in the Master Plan by providing the list of approved training courses for local school board members to choose from in accordance with annual training requirements in T.C.A. § 49-2-202(a)(6).

**The Recommendation:**

State Board staff recommends approval of this item on first and final reading.