



MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
November Quarterly Meeting
November 21, 2025
9:00 am ET

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MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT	Notes
Mr. Darrell Cobbins - Vice-Chair	X		
Mr. Ryan Holt	X		
Dr. Steven Gentile - THEC Executive Director		X	
Mr. Larry Jensen		X	Excused
Ms. Marsha Johnson		X	Excused
Dr. Ina Maxwell	X		
Ms. Krissi McInturff	X		
Mr. Jordan Mollenhour	X		
Ms. Britain Sapp - Student Member	X		
Mr. Warren Wells		X	Excused
Mr. Bob Eby - Chair	X		

Welcome and Comments (00:00:00-00:05:18)
 Mr. Bob Eby, Chair of the State Board of Education

November 20, 2025, Board Workshop Update (00:05:19-00:09:31)
 Dr. Sara Morrison, Executive Director of the State Board of Education

- I. Consent Items (00:09:32-00:10:03)**
 - A. Adoption of Agenda**
 - B. Minutes from August 15, 2025, SBE Meeting**
 - C. 2026 TISA Review Committee Member Appointments**
 - D. Accountability Hearings Committee Member Appointments**

Chair Eby presented the items. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the consent agenda, and Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

- II. Report Items (00:10:04-00:43:27)**
 - A. State Board of Education Member Reports**

- B. Advisory Council for Students with Disabilities Report**
Ms. Taylor Reid of the Department of Education presented the item.
- C. Tennessee Early Literacy Assessment: Educator Pass Rate Report**
Ms. Taylor Reid of the Department of Education presented the item.
- D. Educator Vacancy Report 2024-25**
Ms. Brooke Amos of the Department of Education presented the item.
- E. Master Plan Annual Report 2025**
Ms. Ali Reid of the State Board presented the item.

III. Consent Items: Educator Licensure Actions (00:43:28-00:45:51)

- A. Licensure Discipline Settlement Approvals**
- B. Automatic License Actions – Revocation & Permanent Revocation**
- C. License Discipline Actions**

Mr. Todd Madison, Alex Anderson, and Ryan Shanahan of the State Board presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins made the motion to approve the staff’s recommendations for licensure actions. Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This motion required a roll call vote, and the motion was approved.

Item/Motion: Consent Items: Educator Licensure Actions				
MEMBER	AYE	NO	PNV	Absent
Mr. Darrell Cobbins - Vice-Chair	X			
Mr. Ryan Holt	X			
Mr. Larry Jensen				X
Ms. Marsha Johnson				X
Dr. Ina Maxwell	X			
Ms. Krissi McInturff	X			
Mr. Jordan Mollenhour	X			
Ms. Britain Sapp - Student Member	X			
Mr. Warren Wells				X
Mr. Bob Eby - Chair	X			

IV. First Reading Items

- A. Organization and Administration of Schools Rule 0520-01-02-.31 (00:45:52-00:51:33)**
Ms. Christy Ballard of the Department of Education presented the item. Mr. Holt provided the motion to accept the item on first reading, and Dr. Maxwell provided the second. This item was accepted by a unanimous voice vote.
- B. Coordinated School Health Policy 4.204 (00:51:34-00:53:40)**
Ms. Lori Paisley of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to accept the item on first reading, and Ms. McInturff provided the second. This item was accepted by a unanimous voice vote.

C. Health Education Standards: Tennessee Lifetime Wellness Standards: Grades 9-12

(00:53:41-00:56:46)

Ms. Lori Paisley of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to accept the item on first reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This item was accepted by a unanimous voice vote.

D. Educator Preparation Policy 5.504 (00:56:47-00:58:22)

Ms. Brooke Amos of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to accept the item on first reading, and Dr. Maxwell provided the second. This item was accepted by a unanimous voice vote.

E. Professional Assessments for Tennessee Educators Policy 5.105 (00:58:23-01:01:44)

Ms. Taylor Reid of the Department of Education presented the item. Dr. Maxwell provided the motion to accept the item on first reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This item was accepted by a unanimous voice vote.

F. Graduation Permissions and Substitutions Policy 3.103 (01:01:45-01:04:51)

Ms. Breanna Sommers of the State Board presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to accept the item on first reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This item was accepted by a unanimous voice vote.

10-minute break

V. Final Reading Items

A. Leave for Teachers Rule 0520-01-02-.04 (01:16:23-01:18:24)

Ms. Taylor Reid of the Department of Education presented the item. Mr. Holt provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This motion required a roll call vote, and the motion was approved.

Item/Motion: Leave for Teachers Rule 0520-01-02-.04	AYE	NO	PNV	Absent
Mr. Darrell Cobbins - Vice-Chair	X			
Mr. Ryan Holt	X			
Mr. Larry Jensen				X
Ms. Marsha Johnson				X
Dr. Ina Maxwell	X			
Ms. Krissi McInturff	X			
Mr. Jordan Mollenhour	X			
Ms. Britain Sapp - Student Member	X			
Mr. Warren Wells				X
Mr. Bob Eby - Chair	X			

B. Educator Licensure Permanent Rules 0520-02-03-.02, -.07, -.11, -.12, and -.13

(01:18:25-01:21:24)

Ms. Taylor Reid of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This motion required a roll call vote, and the motion was approved.

Item/Motion: Educator Licensure Permanent Rules 0520-02-03-.02, -.07, -.11, -.12, and -.13	MEMBER	AYE	NO	PNV	Absent
	Mr. Darrell Cobbins - Vice-Chair	X			
	Mr. Ryan Holt	X			
	Mr. Larry Jensen				X
	Ms. Marsha Johnson				X
	Dr. Ina Maxwell	X			
	Ms. Krissi McInturff	X			
	Mr. Jordan Mollenhour	X			
	Ms. Britain Sapp - Student Member	X			
	Mr. Warren Wells				X
	Mr. Bob Eby - Chair	X			

C. Educator Evaluation Policy 5.201 (01:21:25-01:22:51)

Ms. Brooke Amos of the Department of Education presented the item. Dr. Maxwell provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

D. Literacy and Specialty Area Standards for Educator Preparation Policy 5.505 (01:22:52-01:24:54)

Ms. Brooke Amos of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

E. Physical Education and Physical Activity Policy 4.206 (01:24:55-01:31:18)

Ms. Lori Paisley of the Department of Education presented the item. Chair Eby provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

F. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Standards (01:31:19-01:36:45)

Ms. Deborah Knoll of the Department of Education presented the item. Dr. Maxwell provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

G. Course Access Rules 0520-01-14-.05 and -.07 (01:36:46-01:39:59)

Ms. Rachel Suppé of the State Board presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This motion required a roll call vote, and the motion was approved.

Item/Motion: Course Access Rules 0520-01-14-.05 and -.07				
MEMBER	AYE	NO	PNV	Absent
Mr. Darrell Cobbins - Vice-Chair	X			
Mr. Ryan Holt	X			
Mr. Larry Jensen				X
Ms. Marsha Johnson				X
Dr. Ina Maxwell	X			
Ms. Krissi McInturff	X			
Mr. Jordan Mollenhour	X			
Ms. Britain Sapp - Student Member	X			
Mr. Warren Wells				X
Mr. Bob Eby - Chair	X			

H. Charter Schools Rules 0520-14-01-.01, -.03, -.04, and -.05 (01:40:00-01:51:30)

Ms. Ali Reid of the State Board presented the item. Mr. Mollenhour provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This motion required a roll call vote, and the motion was approved.

Item/Motion: Charter Schools Rules 0520-14-01-.01, -.03, -.04, and -.05				
MEMBER	AYE	NO	PNV	Absent
Mr. Darrell Cobbins - Vice-Chair	X			
Mr. Ryan Holt	X			
Mr. Larry Jensen				X
Ms. Marsha Johnson				X
Dr. Ina Maxwell	X			
Ms. Krissi McInturff	X			
Mr. Jordan Mollenhour	X			
Ms. Britain Sapp - Student Member	X			
Mr. Warren Wells				X
Mr. Bob Eby - Chair	X			

I. Quality Charter Authorizing Standards Policy 6.111 (01:51:31-01:52:32)

Ms. Ali Reid of the State Board presented the item. Dr. Maxwell provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

J. Charter School Authorizer Evaluations Policy 6.113 (01:52:33-01:54:29)

Ms. Ali Reid of the State Board presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Ms. McInturff provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

K. Accountability Hearings Policy 1.600 (01:54:30-02:02:42)

Ms. Ali Reid of the State Board presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

- L. State Approved Textbook and Instructional Materials List: Schedule E (PE, Health, & CTE: IT & Advanced Manufacturing) (02:02:43-02:16:16)**
Ms. Lee Houston of the Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on final reading, and Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- M. State Identified 2024-25 Reward Schools (02:16:17-02:24:37)**
Dr. David Laird of the Department of Education presented the item. Ms. McInturff provided the motion to approve the item on first and final reading, and Dr. Maxwell provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- N. State Identified 2024-25 Priority Schools (02:24:38-02:30:37)**
Dr. David Laird of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on first and final reading, and Ms. McInturff provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- O. State Identified 2024-25 Exemplary Districts (02:30:38-02:33:46)**
Dr. David Laird of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on first and final reading, and Mr. Mollenhour provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- P. State Identified 2024-25 in Need of Improvement Districts (02:33:47-02:43:07)**
Dr. David Laird of the Department of Education presented the item. Vice-Chair Cobbins provided the motion to approve the item on first and final reading, and Mr. Holt provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- Q. Charter School Governing Body Training Policy 6.112 (02:43:08-02:44:10)**
Ms. Ali Reid of the State Board presented the item. Dr. Maxwell provided the motion to approve the item on first and final reading, and Ms. McInturff provided the second. This item was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

VI. Other Business (02:44:11-02:46:58)

VII. Adjournment

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