

MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ladislaus B. Dombrowski Board Room
John A. Hannah Building
608 West Allegan
Lansing, Michigan

December 7, 2010
9:30 a.m.

Present: Mr. Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman
Mrs. Kathleen N. Straus, President
Mr. John C. Austin, Vice President
Mrs. Carolyn L. Curtin, Secretary
Mrs. Marianne Yared McGuire, Treasurer
Mrs. Nancy Danhof, NASBE Delegate
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Bauer
Ms. Casandra E. Ulbrich
Mr. Daniel Varner
Mr. Michael Zeig, representing Governor Jennifer M. Granholm,
ex officio

Also Present: Ms. Matinga Ragatz, 2010-2011 Michigan Teacher of the Year

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Flanagan called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

II. INFORMATIONAL FOLDER ITEMS

- A. Information on Nominations to the Special Education Advisory Committee
- B. Information on the 2009-2010 Annual and Final Report of the Professional Standards Commission for Teachers
- C. Information on Great Parents, Great Start Grant Program Legislative Report
- D. Information on the Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC) Great Start Collaborative Legislative Report

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ORDER OF PRIORITY

Mrs. Danhof moved, seconded by Mrs. Bauer, that the State Board of Education approve the agenda and order of priority, as modified.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

IV. INTRODUCTION OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS, DEPARTMENT STAFF, AND GUESTS

Mrs. Eileen Hamilton, State Board Executive, introduced members of the State Board of Education, Department of Education staff, and guests attending the meeting.

V. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mr. Flanagan gave roses to the members of the Board whose terms expire at the end of the year and retiring Department employees who were present at the meeting. He said they have devoted themselves to the children of the State of Michigan, and they will be greatly missed.

Mr. Flanagan said Elizabeth Bauer and Carolyn Curtin will end their eight-year terms on the Board on January 1, 2011, and Reginald Turner resigned from the Board in October to devote more time to his family and legal career. Mr. Flanagan said they have shared their expertise in a bipartisan manner and provided dedicated service to the citizens of Michigan, and they will be honored with a reception following the meeting.

Mrs. Straus said she also appreciates the work of Department employees and Board members. She said she is proud of the collegial, bipartisan manner with which Board members have worked and the contributions of Mrs. Bauer, Mrs. Curtin, and Mr. Turner will be missed.

VI. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION HONORING ELIZABETH W. BAUER

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Straus, that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010, honoring Elizabeth W. Bauer.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Bauer said she was leaving Board members with a charge, and she distributed written messages to Board members. She urged them to have courage and persevere and listen to students about what they need and to design programs that are relevant.

Mr. Austin said Mrs. Bauer has been such a strong advocate for what needs to be done and has lived a life of service of the Board.

Mrs. Curtin said she has always admired and respected Mrs. Bauer because she brings knowledge and advocacy to the Board, and her presence will be missed.

Mrs. Straus presented the Board resolution to Mrs. Bauer. Mrs. Straus said Mrs. Bauer raised the Board's consciousness level to new heights, and she is a visionary who helps her colleagues think more clearly and focused.

The resolution honoring Mrs. Bauer is attached as Exhibit A.

VII. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION HONORING CAROLYN L. CURTIN

Mrs. McGuire moved, seconded by Ms. Ulbrich, that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010, honoring Carolyn L. Curtin.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Straus said Mrs. Curtin brought a wonderful, positive attitude of hope to the Board. Mrs. Straus said Mrs. Curtin has never been concerned with her own glory or advancement, and the Board is very grateful for her service.

Mrs. Curtin said during her tenure the Board has worked diligently to bring No Child Left Behind and Adequate Yearly Progress together; adopt the Grade Level Content Expectations; increase graduation requirements; and craft "Recommendations to Better Support Michigan's Education System – Reforms, Restructuring, and Revenues."

Mrs. Curtin said Board members adopted a practice of working until bipartisan agreements were reached, and she hopes that practice will be adopted by the Legislature. She said she is extremely grateful for everyone she has worked with, because she has learned so much from them. She said she has tried to make a difference, and she thanked her family for their patience.

Mr. Austin said Mrs. Curtin had the ability to succinctly state what needed to be done and how to do it, and she has made tremendous contributions.

Mrs. Danhof said she admires the way Mrs. Curtin faces the day's problems and works to get them done.

Mrs. Bauer said she campaigned with Mrs. Curtin in 2002 and they became fast friends. She said she appreciates her focus on early childhood education and her bipartisanship.

Ms. Ulbrich said Mrs. Bauer and Mrs. Curtin have both been tremendous examples and mentors for other women.

Mrs. Straus presented the Board resolution to Mrs. Curtin, and she thanked her for her service. She said Mrs. Curtin brought a calming presence to the Board and it has been a pleasure to work with her.

The resolution honoring Mrs. Curtin is attached as Exhibit B.

VIII. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION HONORING REGINALD M. TURNER, JR.

Mrs. Danhof moved, seconded by Mrs. Bauer, that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010, honoring Reginald M. Turner, Jr.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Flanagan said Mr. Turner will be present at the reception following the meeting, and he will be appropriately recognized for his service on the Board.

The resolution honoring Mr. Turner is attached as Exhibit C.

IX. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mr. Flanagan said Mrs. Eileen Hamilton, State Board Executive, will be retiring on January 1, 2011. He said she will be honored at the reception, but he wanted to give her a public thank you for exemplary service to the State Board of Education and Department.

X. RECESS

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting at 10:14 a.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

XI. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Flanagan called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

XII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Presentation on New Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) Writing Assessment

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer
- Dr. Joseph Martineau, Director, Educational Assessment and Accountability
- Dr. Steve Viger, Manager of Measurement Research and Psychometrics, Educational Assessment and Accountability
- Mrs. Wendy Gould, Education Assessment Specialist, Educational Assessment and Accountability

The presentation provided an update on the status of the new Michigan Educational Assessment Program writing assessment, and described the process that will be used to set standards this winter. The new writing test will provide more instructionally relevant information to teachers and parents.

The development of the assessment will continue and recommended performance standards (cut scores) will be presented to the Board for approval in February, 2011.

A PowerPoint presentation was shown.

Board member comments and *clarifications* included:

1. written in plain language and easily understandable by parents and students;
2. in the essay response to student writing samples there is a statement that asks what the writer could do to improve the sample; please clarify that statement – *students should be aware of how to improve what they have written such as review and proofread for accuracy in grammar and spelling;*

3. future teachers should have experience in assessment in their teacher preparation curriculum – *rubrics are available on the Michigan Department of Education website; may be an issue for Deans to discuss; a representative from the Dean's Council in attendance at Board meetings may be helpful;*
4. how do you ensure questions are not biased – *there is a comprehensive screening process of stakeholders in content review groups and bias and sensitivity review groups; differential item functional analysis is used;*
5. how long will it take to get the results back to the classroom teacher – *results are expected to be back in mid-December which is six weeks after the testing window closes; school personnel can analyze data files, but they cannot release the information to the public until reports are validated;*
6. many people have poor grammar skills and this emphasis on writing should help improve instruction;
7. when is writing assessed – *grades 4, 7, and 11;*
8. who grades the assessments – *they are read and graded by teachers and educators;*
9. many education reforms are driven to tie various systems of analysis to student performance, so there is a need to effectively measure student performance; pleased to see Michigan in the vanguard of trying to address student assessment and performance; measuring content and measuring ability to apply and communicate the content to others are two different things; how far away are we from being able to measure verbal communication skills related to the presentation of information – *adoption of the Common Core Standards indicate that English Language Arts includes speaking and listening; many higher order skills have not been assessed due to high costs; due to economies of scale in the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium that will be possible in 2014;*
10. it is good that scorers who make the judgment also take the assessment first; how often will assessments change as trends change – *typically want a statistical trend that can be followed over time;*

11. text messaging has created shortcuts in spelling; how will this affect formal writing – *students need to learn when it is appropriate to use shortcuts;*
12. are states eliminating writing testing due to the high cost – *yes, several states have eliminated writing testing; the states that have adopted Common Core Standards and joined the Smarter Balanced Assessment will benefit from a cost-effective writing test that will be developed due to economies of scale;*
13. is there bias involved in measuring the level of verbal communication – *testing of English language learners could inform that discussion because many of those tests require the speaking and the listening portion;*
14. is there geographic bias – *stakeholders represent all areas of the state;*
15. teacher preparation must provide the proper training for formative assessments in writing, speaking, and listening – *professional teaching standards include some of this; it is important to train preservice teachers in the use of formative assessment and the data;*
16. there needs to be data for teacher preparation institutions linked to teachers and student performance so that everyone can benefit from the knowledge of what is being done well and what can be improved upon;
17. professional development for current teachers is also important – *teachers can be trained in range finding by scoring papers, and this is very good professional development;*
18. students are losing the ability to write; is the assessment done online – *currently paper and pencil, anticipated to be online in 2014 with paper and pencil as an option; and*
19. are there cursive and printing data – *no, but anecdotally handwriting is poor.*

B. Presentation on Proposed Standards for the Preparation of Teachers of Industrial and Technology Education

The following individuals presented:

- Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer

- Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Professional Preparation Services
- Mr. Thomas Bell, Higher Education Consultant, Professional Preparation Services

In order to provide teachers who are prepared to meet the needs of K-12 school districts, the Industrial Technology and Technology and Design endorsement standards have been combined and revised to incorporate both endorsement standards into the Standards for the Preparation of Teachers of Industrial and Technology Education. The Standards are the result of collaborative efforts by experts at teacher preparation institutions and intermediate school districts.

The standards will be available on the Internet for field review in January and February and final approval by the Board in mid-2011.

A PowerPoint presentation was shown.

Board member comments and *clarifications* included:

1. this is a good addition and reference to the Common Core Standards is also a good addition; and
2. there are standards that do not have a level of proficiency and are shown in the gray areas – *areas shown in gray are not reviewed, because the elements below the shading are reviewed.*

XIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (CONTINUED)

E. Discussion Regarding Criteria for Grant Programs

Criteria for State-Approved Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Providers

Mrs. McGuire asked if a school district can start a Supplemental Educational Services (SES) program. Ms. Linda Forward, Director, Office of Education Improvement and Innovation, said districts can start a SES program, but the district must apply and go through a process to be an SES provider.

Mrs. McGuire asked for explanation of the evaluation process, which Ms. Forward provided. Mrs. McGuire asked if ineffective SES providers are decertified. Ms. Forward said providers can be decertified. Mrs. McGuire asked if parent and teacher comments are considered. Ms. Forward said letters from the public are received and responded to continually.

Mrs. McGuire said it is her understanding that the application is submitted by computer transmission without hard copy back up. She asked what allowances are made in cases where glitches occur. Ms. Forward said if staff is contacted immediately, someone works with the person trying to submit the application. Mrs. McGuire suggested that an instant receipt reply be sent to the sender.

Mrs. McGuire said there should be an appeal process. Ms. Forward said the Supplemental Educational Services Providers Program has one staff member. Ms. Forward said an appeal process is a possibility in the future.

Mrs. Straus asked if the Board-approved criteria for Supplemental Educational Services Providers are included in statute. Ms. MaryAlice Galloway said the criteria for SES Providers are included in Title I federal guidance and the state develops an approval system.

Ms. Galloway, Deputy Superintendent and State School Reform Officer, said the Board-approved criteria stated that certified teachers should be used in Supplemental Educational Services Provider Programs, and the Federal government would not allow states to include that provision. Mrs. Straus said the reauthorization of Elementary and Secondary Education Act should include the use of certified teachers in Supplemental Educational Services Providers Programs. Mr. Flanagan said Board members could also encourage the National Association of State Boards of Education to influence the use of certified teachers in these programs.

Criteria for Allocation of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Title I School Improvement Funds

Mr. Varner asked if there are schools eligible for School Improvement Funds that did not submit an approvable plan. Ms. Forward said there were a few schools and those schools are eligible to apply in the next round. She said the majority of schools that submitted plans last spring submitted approvable plans.

Mr. Varner asked if the schools that did not submit approvable plans have any commonalities. Ms. Forward said they were randomly distributed, and they lacked a coherent plan.

Mrs. Straus asked if a local community is aware that its district does not have an approvable plan. Ms. Galloway said multiple communications are sent to the local school board president and superintendent.

Ms. Ulbrich asked if schools that are not performing well can view applications of school districts that submitted approvable plans. Ms. Forward said all applications that were awarded funding are posted on the Michigan Department of Education website per federal guidance.

Mrs. Bauer said there are ways to empower local control. She said the Michigan Association of School Boards could offer classes. Mrs. Danhof said grant writing classes are offered at annual and regional conferences. Mrs. Danhof said there could be classes on how to assess results.

Mr. Flanagan suggested that Department staff notify local superintendents and board presidents of the website to view successful proposals.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the Committee of the Whole at 12:07 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 1:14 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

XV. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

- G. Approval of Minutes of Committee of the Whole and Regular Meeting of November 9, 2010

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Bauer, that the State Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Meeting of November 9, 2010.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

XVI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. State Board of Education Presidency

Mrs. Straus said her term as President is ending, and she does not intend to seek the Presidency of the Board in the coming year. She said she would like to give her final President's Report at the January meeting.

XVII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Reports

- H. Human Resources Update
- I. Report on the Cheyboygan-Otsego-Presque Isle Educational Service District Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services

Grants

- I. Report on Grant Awards
 - 2010-2011 Striving Readers – Initial
 - 2009-2010 Enhancing Education Through Technology, Title II, Part D, Competitive Programs – Amendment
 - 2009-2010 Enhancing Education Through Technology, Title II, Part D, Competitive Programs – ARRA – Amendment
 - 2009-2010 Enhancing Education Through Technology, Title II, Part D, Competitive Program, Michigan Education Data Portal Grant – Initial
 - 2010-2011 Enhancing Education Through Technology, Title II, Part D, Competitive Program, Michigan Education Data Portal Grant – Initial and Continuation
 - 2010-2011 Enhancing Education Through Technology, Title II, Part D, Competitive Program, 21st Century Learning Environments Initiative, E-Learning Consortium – Continuation
 - 2010-2011 Mathematics and Science Partnership (MSP) Grant Program (Title II (B)) – Amendment
 - 2011-2012 Mathematics and Science Partnership (MSP) Grant Program (Title II (B)) – Initial
 - 2010-2011 Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs – Initial
 - 2010-2011 Title I, Part D – Prevention and Intervention for Neglected and Delinquent – Initial
 - 2010-2011 Title VI, Part B, Rural and Low Income School Programs – Initial

Mr. Flanagan said he attended the Council of Chief State School Officers Conference, and he also represented Governor-elect Rick Snyder at an event in Washington, D.C.

XVIII. REPORT OF MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Ms. Matinga Ragatz, 2010-2011 Michigan Teacher of the Year, presented her report.

Ms. Ragatz shared experiences of how discussions regarding teacher evaluation issues impact teachers.

XIX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

- A. Mr. David Hales, Farmington Hills, Michigan. Mr. Hales, representing the Michigan Social Studies Supervisors Association, provided verbal comments on the Social Studies consultant vacancy in the Michigan Department of Education.
- B. Mr. David Borth, Big Rapids, Michigan. Mr. Borth, representing the Network of Michigan Educators, provided verbal comments regarding the remarkable performance of retiring Board members Elizabeth Bauer and Carolyn Curtin, and staff members Eileen Hamilton and Jean Shane.

XX. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE MICHIGAN ACCOUNTABILITY WORKBOOK

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Joseph Martineau, Director, Educational Assessment and Accountability; and Dr. Venessa Keesler, Manager, Evaluation Research and Accountability; presented Approval of Amendments to the Michigan Accountability Workbook.

Dr. Vaughn said the 2010-2011 Accountability Workbook was presented to the Board at its October meeting and was being presented to the Board for approval with the inclusion of minor revisions as identified by the Board at its October meeting. She said the revisions are described in the transmittal memorandum from the Superintendent. She said the Accountability Workbook is Michigan's annual negotiation of the details of the Department's accountability plan with the U.S. Department of Education, as required under the No Child Left Behind Act.

Ms. Ulbrich asked if there is a deadline for submission to the U.S. Department of Education, because Michigan School Accountability and Assessment System (MI-SAAS) is included in the document and it has not yet been approved by the Michigan Legislature. Dr. Vaughn said the deadline for submission is in January, however technical amendments can be submitted later. Ms. Ulbrich asked if a statement should be made indicating that it is a proposed accreditation system that must go through additional steps before it can be implemented.

Mr. Austin said that the accreditation system has been approved by the State Board of Education, and it is under review by the relevant legislative committees as required by statute.

Mrs. McGuire said she continues to have misgivings regarding MI-SAAS. She said it is punitive and she doesn't like the inclusion of MI-SASS in the Accountability Workbook.

Mrs. Danhof moved, seconded by Mr. Austin, that the State Board of Education approve the Accountability Workbook Amendments for 2010-11 as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010.

There was consensus that the cover letter transmitting the Accountability Workbook will include a statement that MI-SAAS has been approved by the State Board of Education, and is currently under consideration by education legislative committees as required by Michigan statute.

Mrs. Straus said she voted no on MI-SAAS, and the new Legislature will have new people that may raise legitimate questions. Mrs. Straus said there is the possibility that the issue may be revisited and amendments may added at a later date.

Mr. Austin said he would encourage a vote on the Michigan Accountability Workbook, since MI-SAAS is only one component of the Workbook.

The vote was taken on the motion.

**Ayes: Austin, Bauer, Curtin, Danhof, Straus, Ulbrich, Varner
Nay: McGuire**

The motion carried.

XXI. APPROVAL OF MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND TRUST FUND SPENDING PLAN FOR 2010-2011

Mrs. Carol Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Rick Floria, Director, Financial Management; and Mr. Alex Davlantes, School District Consultant; presented Approval of Michigan School for the Blind Trust Fund Spending Plan for 2010-2011.

Mrs. Wolenberg said Mr. Floria will be retiring as Director of Financial Management on January 1, 2010. Mrs. Wolenberg and Mr. Flanagan thanked Mr. Floria for his years of service to the citizens of Michigan.

Mrs. Wolenberg said at the October 11, 2010, Michigan School for the Blind Trust Fund Committee meeting, members reviewed the FY 2010-11 spending plan for Camp Tuhsmeheeta. Mrs. Wolenberg said Mrs. Bauer, Mrs. McGuire, and Mrs. Straus serve on the Trust Fund Committee.

Mrs. Wolenberg said that the spending plan identified a total operation cost for Camp Tuhsmeheeta for fiscal year 2011 of \$194,800 including new roofs on Maple, Birch, and Elm Halls, as well as fascia boards for White Pine Lodge.

Mr. Danhof moved, seconded by Mrs. Bauer, that the State Board of Education approve the fiscal year 2010-11 spending plan for Camp Tuhsmeheeta, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010.

Mrs. Bauer said she was privileged to serve on the Michigan School for the Blind Trust Fund Committee which was a wonderful partnership that provided many great opportunities for children at Camp Tuhsmeheeta.

Mrs. McGuire said it has been wonderful to work with Mr. Floria on the Trust Fund Committee.

Mrs. Straus said the Trust Fund Committee members have taken their responsibilities very seriously, and have tried to upgrade the camp especially as they relate to safety concerns. She said she joins Board members in thanking Mr. Floria and wishing him a great retirement.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Danhof left the meeting at 2:22 p.m.

XXII. STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Ms. Lisa Hansknecht, State and Federal Legislative Director, presented State and Federal Legislative Report.

Ms. Hansknecht provided an update of legislative actions since the November Board meeting. The report included information on the Education Jobs Fund Bill; MI-SAAS Hearings; House Bill 4410 and Senate Bill 638 regarding teacher evaluations linked to tenure; Senate Bill 1284 regarding implementation of early intervention programs; and an update on the Federal Child Nutrition Act.

Ms. Hansknecht provided an update on leadership for the next Legislative session.

XXIII. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mr. Flanagan said there are 60 Michigan Department of Education staff members who are retiring on or before January 1, 2011. He asked those present at the meeting to stand and be recognized. He said each retiring employee will be presented with a personalized resolution adopted by the Board in their honor.

Mrs. Straus said each employee has meant so much to the Board as well as the people of the State of Michigan. She said they are

appreciated and will be greatly missed for their knowledge and dedication. Mrs. Straus asked those present to introduce themselves.

XXIV. CONSENT AGENDA

Criteria

- N. Approval of Criteria for 21ST Century Community Learning Centers Grants
- O. Approval of Criteria for Allocation of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Title I School Improvement Funds
- P. Approval of Criteria for State-Approved Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Providers

Resolutions

- Q. Adoption of Resolutions Honoring Retiring Department of Education Employees

- Teresa Abbott
- Dan Alvarez
- Ana Cardona
- Michael Clinton
- Denise Dickenson
- Patricia Everett
- Marilyn Fisher
- MaryAlice Galloway
- Ray Gross
- Charles Hagler
- Eileen Hamilton
- Kay Harkness
- Sharon Kibby
- Susan Koenigsknecht
- Patti Lehman
- Sandra Marlowe
- Brenda Mazuca
- Cynthia McFall
- Charlene Merrick
- Nancy Mincemoyer
- Maureen Mitchell
- Sue Morrice
- Marlene Muskan
- Sharon Neirescher
- Wesley O'Dell
- Florida Parks-Wickoff
- Mary Pfaff

- Gerald Proulx
 - Kenneth Rademacher
 - Bonnie Rockafellow
 - Joyce Ruttan
 - Michelle Ryder
 - David Sanderson
 - Jean Shane
 - Catherine Smith
 - Lynn Ann Snellman
 - Jane Stone
 - Rosemary Suardini
 - Karen Taylor
 - Joellen Wonsey
- R. Adoption of Resolution Honoring Michigan School Principals Week – February 14-18, 2011
- S. Adoption of Resolution Regarding National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week.

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Curtin, that the State Board of Education approve the Superintendent's recommendations for the consent agenda as follows:

Criteria

- N. **approve the Criteria for 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grants, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010;**
- O. **approve the Criteria for the Allocation of ARRA Title I School Improvement Funds, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010;**
- P. **approve the Criteria for State-Approved Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Providers, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010;**

Resolutions

- Q. **adopt the resolutions honoring the following employees retiring from the Michigan Department of Education: Teresa Abbott, Dan Alvarez, Ana Cardona, Michael Clinton, Denise Dickenson, Patricia Everett, Marilyn Fisher, MaryAlice Galloway, Ray Gross, Charles Hagler, Eileen Hamilton, Kay Harkness, Sharon Kibby, Susan Koenigsknecht, Patti Lehman, Sandra Marlowe, Brenda Mazuca, Cynthia McFall, Charlene Merrick, Nancy Mincemoyer, Maureen Mitchell, Sue Morrice, Marlene**

Muskan, Sharon Neirescher, Wesley O'Dell, Florida Parks-Wickoff, Mary Pfaff, Gerald Proulx, Kenneth Rademacher, Bonnie Rockafellow, Joyce Ruttan, Michelle Ryder, David Sanderson, Jean Shane, Catherine Smith, Lynn Ann Snellman, Jane Stone, Rosemary Suardini, Karen Taylor, and Joellen Wonsey;

- R. adopt the resolution recognizing February 14-18, 2011, as Michigan School Principal's Week, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010; and**
- S. adopt the resolution regarding the National Child and Adult Care Food Program Week, March 13-19, 2011, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 22, 2010.**

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions are available at www.michigan.gov/sbe.

XXV. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MRS. CAROLYN CURTIN

Mrs. Curtin introduced her husband, Joe Curtin; and their daughter, Chrissie Pearce.

XXVI. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Mr. Flanagan said Board members may contact a member of the Agenda Planning Committee comprised of Mrs. Straus, Mr. Austin, and Mrs. Curtin with suggestions for agenda topics.

XXVII. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. Tuesday, January 11, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)
- B. Tuesday, February 8, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)
- C. Tuesday, March 8, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)
- D. Tuesday, April 12, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)

XXVIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn L. Curtin
Secretary

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION

ELIZABETH W. BAUER

WHEREAS, Elizabeth “Liz” W. Bauer was elected to the State Board of Education in November 2002 for an eight year term January 1, 2003 – January 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Liz holds a Bachelor’s of Arts in Religion with a Minor in Speech Pathology from Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts; Post Graduate Studies in Speech Pathology at University of Minnesota; a Master of Arts in Education for Exceptional Children from The Ohio State University, in Columbus, Ohio; and Doctoral Studies in Education Administration at Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, Liz is a self-employed consultant with a focus on human rights, civil society, and organization development with particular attention to rights and opportunities for people with disabilities in the United States and abroad; and

WHEREAS, previously Liz served as Executive Director of the Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service; an Administrator for the Developmental Disabilities Community Residential Services Division, and Director of Training for the Michigan Department of Mental Health in Northville, Michigan; and an Administrator of Adult Special Education Services and Teacher Consultant for the School District of the City of Pontiac; and

WHEREAS, Liz continues to be active at Mount Holyoke College serving as Head Class Agent, 50th Reunion Gift Chair, and on the Alumnae Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, also serves on the Mental Disability Rights International Board of Directors, Secretary of the Women Officials Network, Oakland County, Treasurer; was one of six representatives of disability interests who negotiated amendments to Michigan’s persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act in 1989-1990; and

WHEREAS, during her eight years of service on the State Board of Education Elizabeth W. Bauer served on a study group of the National Association of State Boards of Education, was instrumental in the development and the Board’s adoption of the *Universal Education Vision and Principles*, was a strong advocate for student’s voices, and a compassionate and caring voice for teachers, educational administrators, children, and parents; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education extends to Elizabeth W. Bauer its highest regard and heartfelt gratitude for the dedication and expertise she has brought to the children of Michigan, their parents, and the millions of Michigan citizens her work has affected and impacted; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education expresses its fervent wish that Elizabeth W. Bauer enjoys many rewarding experiences after stepping down from the State Board of Education with her husband George B. Bauer; and their children Anna Stuart Bauer McTigue, Robert Bittner Bauer, Virginia Hale Bauer, Edward Russell Bauer; and grandchildren.



Adopted December 7, 2010

Kathleen N. Straus, President

Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and
Superintendent of Public Instruction

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION

CAROLYN L. CURTIN

WHEREAS, Carolyn L. Curtin was elected to the State Board of Education in November 2002 for an eight term term January 1, 2003 – January 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn, born in Bromley, Kentucky; graduated from Evert High School and attended Ferris State University; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn is a former member of the Evert School Board (elected three times), and the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School Board; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn has served as Republican Chair of Osceola County for many years, volunteered for Reed City Hospital, served as a 4-H leader for 23 years, is past President of the Evert Women's Club, past District of the President General Federate Women's Club, a founding member of Osceola County Community Foundation, Scholarship Chair of Foundation, was active in scouts, and continues to be active in her church; and

WHEREAS, elected by her peers to serve as Secretary of the State Board of Education during her entire eight year term; and served as Chair of the State Board of Education's Ensuring Early Childhood Literacy Task Force; and represented the State Board at several National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Annual Conferences and served on NASBE committees; and

WHEREAS, during her eight years of service on the Board Carolyn L. Curtin was a compassionate and caring voice for teachers, educational administrators, students, and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education extends to Carolyn L. Curtin its highest regard and heartfelt gratitude for the dedication and expertise she has brought to the children of Michigan, their parents, and the millions of Michigan citizens her work has affected and impacted; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education expresses its fervent wish that Carolyn L. Curtin enjoys many rewarding experiences after stepping down from the State Board of Education with her husband Joe; their children Rebecca Hirschman, James McLachlan, Melanie Nabozny, Christina Pearce, Laura Torgerson, and Craig Curtin; and grandchildren.



Adopted December 7, 2010

Kathleen N. Straus, President

Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and
Superintendent of Public Instruction

STATE OF MICHIGAN
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RESOLUTION

REGINALD M. TURNER, JR.

WHEREAS, Reginald "Reggie" M. Turner, the son of Reginald Maurice Turner, Sr., and Annie Laurie Turner moved to Northwest Detroit in 1967; and

WHEREAS, Reggie earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Wayne State University in 1982; and his law degree from the University of Michigan Law School in 1987; and

WHEREAS, in 1996-97 Reggie completed a White House Fellowship in Washington, D.C. managing a Presidential Task Force and working as an aide to former Housing and Urban Development Secretaries Henry Cisneros and Andrew Cuomo; and

WHEREAS, Reggie was appointed to the State Board of Education on September 25, 2003 by Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, filling the unexpired term of Sharon Gire; and

WHEREAS, in August 2005, Reggie was elected President of the National Bar Association; and previously served as President of the State Bar of Michigan in 2002-03; and

WHEREAS, in November 2006 Reggie was elected to the State Board of Education for an eight year term commencing January 1, 2007 - January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, during Reggie's seven year tenure on the State Board of Education, the Board made great improvements in the rigor of the state's K-12 curriculum, and in the accountability measures that will help to provide quality education to all children across the state; and

WHEREAS, Reggie was a compassionate and caring voice for teachers, educational administrators, students, and parents; and

WHEREAS, Reggie is active in numerous public service, civic and charitable organizations including serving as Chairman of the City of Detroit Board of Ethics; from 2000-2003 he represented Detroit Mayors Dennis Archer and Kwame Kilpatrick on the Detroit Board of Education; served on Governor John Engler's Blue Ribbon Commission on Michigan Gaming and on the City of Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Reggie resigned from the State Board of Education effective October 26, 2010 in order to spend more time with family and his law practice at Clark Hill, PLC where he specializes in government relations and management-side labor law; and volunteer in the educational community as he has for over 20 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education extends to Reginald Turner its highest regard and heartfelt gratitude for the dedication and expertise he has brought to the children of Michigan, their parents, and the millions of Michigan citizens his work has affected and impacted; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education expresses its fervent wish that Reginald Turner enjoys many rewarding experiences after stepping down from the State Board of Education with his wife Marcia and their daughters Nia and Imani.



Adopted December 7, 2010

Kathleen N. Straus, President

Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and
Superintendent of Public Instruction