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The following is a summary of items addressed by the State Board of Education (SBE), with web links to electronic versions of those items. A video archive of the meeting is available at: <http://www.mistreamnet.com/vidflv.php?who=sbe101210n01>

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

[Presentation on the Proposed Early On Policy on System for Payments and Policy Requiring Screening of all Children Referred to Early On](#)

Two proposed policies related to Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, commonly referred to as Early On were presented. The policies include a Policy on System of Payments, and a Policy on Screening of Children Referred to Early On. The System of Payments policy must address core components to detail how services will be paid in the early intervention system for infants and toddlers. As part of the Child Find System, screening may take place to determine whether a child is suspected of having a developmental delay of 20 percent or more in one developmental domain. The two policies will go out for public input and will be returned to the Board for approval at later date.

[Click here for the PowerPoint presentation.](#)

[Presentation on the National Occupational Competency Testing Institute Assessments for General Management and Accounting-Advanced for Career and Technical Education Business, Management and Administration and Finance and Financial Management Services Students](#)

The Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act requires that technical skill assessments be given to students who have completed a Career and Technical Education program. This is the second in a series of the selection of technical skills

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assessment for Career and Technical Education instructional programs. In February 2009, the Board approved the National Career Clusters as the content standards for CTE programs in Michigan. The Board will be asked to approve the assessments and the use of the National Occupational Competency Testing Institute cut scores at its November 9, 2010, meeting.

[Click here for the PowerPoint presentation.](#)

[Presentation on Amendments to the Michigan Accountability Workbook](#)

The No Child Left Behind Act requires states to submit a Consolidated State Plan for implementation and accountability. The Accountability Workbook is the annual negotiation of the details of the state's plan. The materials provided for today's meeting identify several important modifications and respond to requests from the U. S. Department of Education. Most of the amendments reflect changes in Michigan's assessment system and amendments to Michigan's accountability systems since the first submission of the accountability workbook. The modifications include the calculation of district AYP through the "sending scores back" policy; attribution of grade to students for accountability purposes; and the inclusion of MI-SAAS. The Board will be asked to approve the amendments at its December 7, 2010 meeting. Following approval the amendments will be submitted to the U. S. Department of Education for its approval.

REGULAR MEETING

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent provided the Board a [Human Resources Update](#), and notified the Board of his approval of a [Modification to the Previously Approved Eaton Intermediate School District Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services](#) and a recent [Property Transfer Decision](#).

In addition, the Superintendent provided the Board with information on several grants that have been awarded by the Michigan Department of Education including:

- [2010-2011 ARRA Title I School Improvement Grant – Initial](#)
- [2010-2011 Combined Title I Statewide System of Support and High Priority Schools Technical Assistance Grant – Initial](#)
- [2010-2011 Great Parents, Great Start Program Grants – Initial](#)
- [2010-2011 Mandated Activities Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act \(IDEA 2004\), Part C – Continuation](#)
- [2010-2011 IDEA, Part B Mandated Activities Projects – Initial](#)
- [2010-2011 Special Education – State Personnel Development Grant – Continuation](#)

REPORT OF MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Ms. Matinga Ragatz, 2010-2011 Michigan Teacher of the Year provided a verbal report and a PowerPoint presentation on activities she participated in the past month including her recent trip to South Korea.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

[Presentation on and Approval of Proposed Michigan School Accreditation and Accountability System \(MI-SAAS\)](#)

The proposed Michigan School Accreditation and Accountability System was presented to provide an overview of the modifications made as a result of public hearings. The Board approved Michigan School Accreditation System (MI-SAS) in May 2009. Since that time, School Improvement Grant requirements and the State Reform Law have necessitated additional changes to what is now known as the Michigan School Accreditation and Accountability System (MI-SAAS).

The Board approved the Michigan School Accreditation and Accountability System as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated September 27, 2010. The MI-SAAS will be presented to appropriate committees of the Legislature as required by law.

[Presentation on and Approval of Michigan Nutrition Standards](#)

The revised *Michigan Nutrition Standards Recommendations for all Foods and Beverages Available in Michigan Schools* was presented to the Board just a little over a year ago in preparation for a one-year pilot. 46 schools in Michigan pilot tested the draft standards and a six week public comment period also took place during June and July. Once approved by the Board, Department of Education and the Michigan Department of Community Health will create a toolkit to provide examples of how to implement each section of the *Michigan Nutrition Standards Recommendations for all Foods Available in Michigan Schools*. The standards are divided into two sections. The first section is adapted from the School Nutrition Association's *National Nutrition Standards Recommendations* and applies to foods and beverages served as part of the USDA Child Nutrition Programs at schools. The second section is a compilation of national standards and applies to foods and beverages served on the school campus outside of USDA Child Nutrition Programs.

The Board approved the *Michigan Nutrition Standards Recommendations for all Foods and Beverages Available in Michigan Schools* as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated September 27, 2010. The MDE and the Michigan Department of Community Health will now create a toolkit to provide examples of how to implement each section of the *Michigan Nutrition Standards Recommendations for all Foods Available in Michigan Schools*.

[Presentation on State Board of Education Policies on Bullying and Model Anti-Bullying Policy](#)

A safe and supportive environment is necessary for students to learn and achieve high academic standards. Harassment or bullying, like other disruptive or violent behaviors, may disrupt both a student's ability to learn and school's ability to educate. The SBE Model Anti-Bullying Policy was designed to assist local and intermediate school districts and public school academies in addressing conditions for learning and facilitating implementation of local policies. There have been recent developments which suggest changes to the Board's policies may be appropriate or required at some point in the future. MDE staff provided the Board with updates on the federal Safe Schools Improvement Act, pending State bullying policy legislation, the federal interagency partnership, the safe and supportive schools grant, and building state capacity.

Board members expressed an interest in reaffirming its policies at its November meeting. There was consensus that Board members will provide staff with suggested modifications to the policies and staff would also review and make recommendations to update the policies. This item will be on the November 9, 2010, agenda for action.

[Click here for the PowerPoint presentation.](#)

[State and Federal Legislative Update](#)

The Board was provided with an update on State legislative initiatives including an update on Consolidation of Services; Senate Bill 1284 (encourages districts to implement an early intervention program); and Senate Bill 1014 (allows noncertified teachers for certain Native American tribal language/culture classes). In addition, the update on federal initiatives included the Education Jobs Fund Bill and the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

The Board took action to support Senate Bill 1284.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board approved the following items on the consent agenda:

- [Approval of Appointment of a Replacement Member for the Committee of Scholars Previously Appointed to Review the College of Creative Studies' Application for Approval as a Teacher Preparation Institution](#)
- [Approval of Appointment of Replacement Member for the Committee of Scholars Previously Appointed to Review the Baker College Application for Approval as a Teacher Preparation Institution](#)

- [Approval to Change Endorsement Code for the Early Childhood Endorsement from ZA to ZS](#)
- [Approval of Formula for Distribution of Federal Funds Awarded to Michigan Through Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Act](#)
- [Approval of Criteria for the Education Jobs Fund Program](#)
- [Approval of Criteria for College Access Challenge Grant Program](#)
- [Approval of Criteria for Allocation of Title I School Improvement Funds](#)
- [Approval of Criteria for Allocation of Title I School Improvement Funds to Support Regional Assistance to High Priority Schools](#)
- [Adoption of Resolution Honoring Janet Zielaskowski](#)

Representative Brian Calley – Republican for Lt. Governor (representing Rick Snyder)

The State Board of Education invited both of the gubernatorial candidates to its meeting to share their education positions for Michigan. State Representative Brian Calley, representing Rick Snyder, offered comments on Mr. Snyder's Ten Point Plan to Reinvent Michigan.

Mayor Virg Bernero – Democrat for Governor

Mayor Bernero was unable to attend the meeting due to a last minute conflict.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Tuesday, November 9, 2010 (9:30 a.m.)
- Tuesday, December 7, 2010 (9:30 a.m.)
- Tuesday, January 11, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)
- Tuesday, February 8, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)
- Tuesday, March 8, 2011 (9:30 a.m.)

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