

**Report of the State Board of Education  
Committee on School Initiatives  
September 14, 2017**

The State Board of Education Committee on School Initiatives met at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, September 14, 2017, in Room #1-111 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

Presiding: Barbara Cargill, chair; Marisa B. Perez-Diaz, vice chair; Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Keven Ellis; Marty Rowley

**Public Testimony**

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The Committee on School Initiatives heard public testimony on agenda item #3. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

- 1. Recommendation for Appointments to the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees**  
(Board agenda page IV-1)  
[Consent agenda item #(7)]

Ron Rowell, director, governance and investigations, presented to the Committee on School Initiatives information regarding appointments to the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees.

**MOTION AND VOTE**: *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried unanimously to recommend that based on Colonel David L. Raugh's recommendation, the State Board of Education approve the appointments of Ms. Deborah Seabron, Mr. Willie E. White, and Mr. Kevin Anderson to serve a term of office, from September 15, 2017 through September 14, 2019, on the Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

**2. Recommendation for Appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees**

(Board agenda page IV-49)  
[Consent agenda item #(8)]

Mr. Rowell presented to the committee information regarding an appointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried unanimously to recommend that based on Colonel Thomas G. Miner, Jr.'s recommendation, the State Board of Education approve the appointment of CMSgt Rachelle Slater to serve a term of office, from September 15, 2017 through November 16, 2018, on the Randolph Field Independent School District Board of Trustees.*

**ACTION ITEMS**

**3. Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 157, Hearings and Appeals, Subchapter D, Independent Hearing Examiners, §157.41, Certification Criteria for Independent Hearing Examiners**

(First Reading and Filing Authorization)  
(Board agenda page IV-79)  
[Official agenda item #8]

Public testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Amanda Moore  
AFFILIATION: Texas State Teachers Association

Christopher Maska, TEA ethics advisor, legal services, presented information regarding the proposed amendment to 19 TAC §157.41.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Ms. Perez-Diaz, seconded by Mr. Rowley, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 157, Hearings and Appeals, Subchapter D, Independent Hearing Examiners, §157.41, Certification Criteria for Independent Hearing Examiners.*

**4. Review of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter B, General Certification Requirements, §230.11, General Requirements**

(Board agenda page IV-87)

[Official agenda item #9]

Marilyn Cook, director, educator certification and testing, presented to the committee information regarding the proposed amendment to 19 TAC §230.11.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Cortez, seconded by Ms. Perez-Diaz, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter B, General Certification Requirements, §230.11, General Requirements.*

**5. Review of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions, Subchapter A, Certificate Renewal and Continuing Professional Education Requirements, §232.9, Inactive Status and Late Renewal**

(Board agenda page IV-95)

[Official agenda item #10]

Ms. Cook presented to the committee information regarding the proposed amendment to §232.9.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** *It was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Cortez, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education take no action on the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions, Subchapter A, Certificate Renewal and Continuing Professional Education Requirement, §232.9, Inactive Status and Late Renewal.*

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

**6. Update on the Long-Range Plan Steering Committee**

(Board agenda page IV-103)

Mrs. Cargill briefed the committee on the work of the Long-Range Plan Steering Committee that held its first official meeting on September 12, 2017. She explained that the steering committee elected Mrs. Cargill as chair and Lynet Greenhaw, vice chair of education and workforce at the Dallas Regional Chamber, as vice chair of the steering committee.

The meeting of the Committee on School Initiatives adjourned at 10:22 a.m.