

**Report of the State Board of Education
Committee on School Initiatives
Thursday, September 1, 2022**

The State Board of Education Committee on School Initiatives met at 9:09 a.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2022, in Room, #1-111, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present: Matt Robinson, chair; Will Hickman; Jay Johnson

Absent: Aicha Davis, vice chair; Ruben Cortez, Jr.

Public Testimony

The Committee on School Initiatives heard public testimony on agenda items #4 and #5. Information regarding the individuals who presented public testimony is included in the discussion of that item.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Recommendation for Reappointment to the Boys Ranch Independent School District (ISD) Board of Trustees**
(Board agenda page IV-1)
[Consent agenda item #8]

Christopher Lucas, director, policy, planning, and operations, explained that the term of one member of the board of trustees of Boys Ranch Independent School District (ISD) is expiring. Mr. Richard Nedelkoff, president and chief executive officer of Boys Ranch ISD, has recommended that Mr. Mark Strother be reappointed for a two-year term.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hickman, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, based on Mr. Richard Nedelkoff's recommendation, approve the reappointment of Mr. Mark Strother to serve a two-year term of office, from September 2, 2022, to September 1, 2024, on the Boys Ranch ISD Board of Trustees.*

2. Recommendation for Reappointments to the Lackland Independent School District (ISD) Board of Trustees

(Board agenda page IV-7)
[Consent agenda item #9]

Mr. Lucas explained that the term of two members of the board of trustees of Lackland ISD are expiring. Colonel Shane R. Cuéllar, United States Air Force, Commander of the 502d Force Support Group, has recommended that Mr. Brian Miller and Ms. Sandra H. Wellman be reappointed for two-year terms.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Hickman, seconded by Dr. Johnson, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, based on Colonel Shane R. Cuéllar's recommendation, approve the reappointments of Mr. Brian Miller and Ms. Sandra H. Wellman to serve two-year terms of office from September 2, 2022, to September 1, 2024, on the Lackland ISD Board of Trustees.*

3. Recommendation for Reappointment to the Randolph Field Independent School District (ISD) Board of Trustees

(Board agenda page IV-15)
[Consent agenda item #10]

Mr. Lucas explained that the term of one member of the board of trustees of Randolph Field ISD is expiring. Colonel Shane R. Cuéllar, United States Air Force, Commander of the 502d Force Support Group, has recommended that Mrs. Glenda Solomon be reappointed a two-year term.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hickman, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, based on Colonel Shane R. Cuéllar's recommendation, approve the reappointment of Mrs. Glenda Solomon to serve a two-year term of office from September 2, 2022, to September 1, 2024, on the Randolph Field ISD Board of Trustees.*

DISCUSSION ITEM

4. Open-Enrollment Charter School Generation 28 Application Updates

(Board agenda page IV-22)

Marian Schutte, director, charter school authorizing division, presented information on the Generation 28 Open-Enrollment Charter Application cycle, content, improvements, and timeline.

Public testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Ellen Williams
AFFILIATION: Texas Association of School Administrators and Texas Association of School Boards

ACTION ITEMS

5. **Review of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 230, Professional Educator Preparation and Certification, Subchapter E, Educational Aide Certificate, §230.55, Certification Requirements for Educational Aide I**

(Board agenda page IV-23)

[Official agenda item #10]

Marilyn Cook, director, educator certification, explained that the proposed amendment would update requirements for issuance of the Educational Aide I certificate to high school students who qualify for industry-based certification. The proposed amendment would also provide technical cross-reference and SBOE action updates.

Public testimony was provided by the following individual:

NAME: Kelsey Kling

AFFILIATION: Texas American Federation of Teachers

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Hickman, seconded by Dr. Johnson, 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 E, Educational Aide Certificate, §230.55, Certification Requirements for Educational Aide I.*

6. **Review of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 232, General Certification Provisions, Subchapter A, Certificate Renewal and Continuing Professional Education Requirements, §232.7, Requirements for Certificate Renewal**

(Board agenda page IV-27)

[Official agenda item #11]

Laura Moriaty, director, State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) enforcement, explained that the proposed amendment would require that to renew an educator's certificate, the educator must be in compliance with the terms of any SBEC order resulting from an educator discipline case against the educator. This requirement would allow the SBEC to enforce its disciplinary orders more efficiently and consistently, particularly when the order requires an educator to take training or continuing education but does not suspend the educator's certificate.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Dr. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Johnson, 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 Requirements, §232.7, Requirements for Certificate Renewal.*

The meeting of the Committee on School Initiatives adjourned at 9:34 a.m.