Report of the State Board of Education
Committee on Instruction
March 12, 2010

The State Board of Education Committee on Instruction met at 8:09 a.m. on Friday, March 12, 2010, 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; Ken Mercer, vice chair; Lawrence A. Allen, Jr., Terri Leo, Geraldine Miller

Public Testimony

This item provides an opportunity for the public to present testimony at the time the related item comes up for committee discussion or action. The procedures for registering and taking public testimony at State Board of Education committee meetings and general board meetings are provided at **http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=3958** or in the information section (yellow pages) of the agenda.

The Committee on Instruction received no presentations of public testimony. Agenda items were discussed in this order: #1, #3, #4, #8, #2, #6, #7, and #5. Discussion of items #9 and #10 was postponed until the May 2010 meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment, Subchapter E, Local Option, §101.101, Group-Administered Tests**
   (Second Reading and Final Adoption)
   (Board agenda page II-1)
   [Official agenda item #11]

   Gloria Zyskowski, deputy associate commissioner for student assessment, described the proposed amendment and stated that it was necessary to ensure that the administrative rules of the State Board of Education are consistent with statute.

   MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Ms. Leo, seconded by Mr. Mercer, and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption the proposed amendment to 19 TAC Chapter 101, Assessment, §101.101, Group-Administered Tests, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register. (Mrs. Miller was absent for the vote.)*

2. **Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum**
   (Second Reading and Final Adoption)
   (Board agenda page II-7)
   [Official agenda item #12]

   Monica Martinez, managing director, curriculum division, explained that proposed amendments included a requirement that students complete a fine arts course in Grade 6, 7, or 8. She also

indicated that there was a discrepancy between the requirements for which physical education courses local school districts must offer and courses students may take to complete the physical education requirement. The discrepancy resulted from amendments made by the State Board of Education (SBOE) to the graduation requirements in January. Ms. Martinez also explained that proposed amendments would update the list of high school courses school districts must offer, but retained the requirements that districts offer health and technology applications courses even though they are no longer state graduation requirements.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Cargill and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education amend 19 TAC §74.3(b)(2)(F), Description of a Required Secondary Curriculum, to read as follows: "(F) physical education--at least two courses selected from Foundations of Personal Fitness; Adventure/Outdoor Education; Aerobic Activities; or Team or Individual Sports."*

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Miller and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the board, approve for second reading and final adoption proposed amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum, as amended, with an effective date of 20 days after filing as adopted with the Texas Register.*

3. Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 112, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Science, Subchapter D, Other Science Courses
(First Reading and Filing Authorization)
(Board agenda page II-15)
[Official agenda item #13]

Monica Martinez, managing director, curriculum division, explained that the proposed revisions would add Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses that were approved by the State Board of Education (SBOE) to the list of courses in 19 TAC Chapter 112 that may satisfy a science credit requirement. Ms. Martinez explained that the proposed revisions also include minor modifications to the Principles of Technology course that may satisfy the physics graduation requirement to align with the end-of-course assessment requirements. Ms. Martinez explained that one additional amendment to 19 TAC §112.71(c)(12)(C) was needed to read as follows:

"(C) describe the significance of mass-energy equivalence and apply it in explanations of phenomena such as nuclear stability, fission, and fusion;".

This amendment would completely align the Principles of Technology course to the physics course.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Mercer and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 112, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Science, Subchapter D, Other Science Courses, as amended, and the placement of this item on the consent agenda of the State Board of Education meeting of March 12, 2010.*

4. Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter D, Other High School Mathematics Courses
(First Reading and Filing Authorization)
(Board agenda page II-31)
[Official agenda item #14]

Monica Martinez, managing director, curriculum division, explained proposed amendments that would add Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses to the list of courses in 19 TAC Chapter 111 that may satisfy a mathematics credit requirement. Ms. Martinez stated that AP Computer Science, a technology applications course, was also added to the list of courses in 19 TAC Chapter 111 that may satisfy a mathematics credit requirement.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Ms. Leo and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education approve for first reading and filing authorization proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 111, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Mathematics, Subchapter D, Other High School Mathematics Courses, and the placement of this item on the consent agenda of the State Board of Education meeting of March 12, 2010. (Mr. Allen was absent for the vote.)*

5. Update on Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) Review
(Board agenda page II-39)
[Official agenda item #15]

Anita Givens, associate commissioner for standards and programs, provided an update on the technology applications TEKS review process. Ms. Givens reviewed the document entitled *Guidelines for Expert Feedback on the Technology Application TEKS* and asked whether the committee had any additional guidelines for the technology applications expert reviewers. The committee indicated that they had no additional guidance for the expert reviewers.

6. Adoption of Review of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements
(Adoption of Review)
(Board agenda page II-43)
[Official agenda item #16]

Monica Martinez, managing director, curriculum division, explained that this item presented the adoption of the sunset review of State Board of Education (SBOE) rules in 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapters A-F. She indicated the SBOE continues to have statutory authority for these rules and that the reasons for the rules continue to exist.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Miller and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education adopt the review of 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter A, Required Curriculum; Subchapter B, Graduation Requirements; Subchapter C, Other Provisions; Subchapter D, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2001-2002; Subchapter E, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2004-2005; and Subchapter F, Graduation Requirements, Beginning with School Year 2007-2008, and the placement of this item on the consent agenda of the State Board of Education meeting of March 12, 2010.*

CONSENT ITEM

7. Adoption of Review of 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations
(Adoption of Review)
(Board agenda page II-133)
[Consent agenda item #(1)]

Anita Givens, associate commissioner for standards and programs, introduced the item. Ms. Givens informed the committee that the State Board of Education rules in 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, have been reviewed as part of the statutorily-required rule review and that agency staff recommend adoption of the review of rules in 19 TAC Chapter 89, Subchapters A-D.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mrs. Miller and carried unanimously to recommend that the State Board of Education adopt the review of 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter A, Gifted/Talented Education; Subchapter B, Adult Basic and Secondary Education; Subchapter C, General Educational Development; and Subchapter D, Special Education Services and Settings.*

ACTION ITEM

8. Proposed Revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter B, Adult Basic and Secondary Education
(First Reading and Filing Authorization)
(Board agenda page II-157)
[Official agenda item #17]

Barbara Knaggs, associate commissioner for state initiatives, introduced the item and informed the committee that staff received stakeholder input and minor revisions have been made since the item was presented for discussion.

Ms. Cargill commended staff for their work and the development of a workable rule.

MOTION AND VOTE: *It was moved by Mr. Mercer and carried unanimously to recommend approval of the proposed revisions to 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter B, Adult Basic and Secondary Education, for first reading and filing authorization.*

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 89, Adaptations for Special Populations, Subchapter D, Special Education Services and Settings
(Board agenda page II-167)

Discussion of this item was postponed until the May 2010 meeting.

10. Discussion of Proposed Amendments to 19 TAC Chapter 74, Curriculum Requirements, Subchapter C, Other Provisions
(Board agenda page II-175)

Discussion of this item was postponed until the May 2010 meeting.

The meeting of the Committee on Instruction adjourned at 8:42 a.m.