

State Board Of Education To Elect New Chairman At Sept. 3/4 Meeting

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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - The State Board of Education will meet Wednesday and Thursday, September 3 and 4 in downtown Raleigh. A key agenda item will be to elect a new chairman and vice chairman.

Committee meetings will take place Wednesday, followed by full board meeting on Thursday, at which committees will report and the group will hear from the chairman. The meetings will be streamed live at <http://stateboard.ncpublicschools.gov/>.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 3

10 – 11:05 a.m.

Call to order and approval of agenda

Issues Session. Board members will hear presentations on Gifted Education and Advanced Programs (including the North Carolina Advanced Placement Partnership), and School Safety

11:05 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

- Globally Competitive Students Committee

State Board member Marcella Savage, chair; Olivia Oxendine, vice chair

Action items: Cohort Graduation Rate for 2013-14 School Year (PRESENTED THURSDAY);

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Release of 2013-14 End-of-Grade, End-of-Course, The ACT, The ACT WorkKeys, Cohort Graduation Rate, Math Course Rigor and Annual Measurable Objectives (PRESENTED THURSDAY); Local Boards of Education Waiver Requests to Expand the Testing Window for One Year; Mathematics Education Textbook Adoption and Textbook Commission Report; and State Board Approval Process for Local Alternative Portfolios for Read to Achieve

Discussion items: Read to Achieve Local Alternative Assessments, Proposed Revision to Grading Scale, Career and Technical Education Revisions to Essential Standards, and Report to the North Carolina General Assembly: Report on Education Performance of Children with Disabilities

12:15 p.m. LUNCH

1 – 1:45 p.m.

- Special Committee on Digital Learning

State Board member Lt. Governor Dan Forest, chair; Becky Taylor, vice chair

New Business item: Presentation of Digital Learning Plan

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1:45 – 3 p.m.

- 21st Century Professionals Committee

State Board member Olivia Oxendine, chair; John Tate, vice chair

Action items: Recommendations for Proposed Cut Scores for Elementary and Special Education: General Curriculum Licensure Exams (NC Foundations of Reading, NC General Curriculum), Recommendations from the Advisory Board on Requests for Exception from Teaching Licensing Requirements

Discussion items: Recommendations for Approval of Institutions of Higher Education Superintendent Licensure Programs, Global Educator Digital Badge Criteria for Teachers and Teacher Leadership Specialist Standards and Rubric Draft

New Business items: Analysis of Student Work, Local Options for Measuring Student Growth and Regional Leadership Academies Update

3 p.m. BREAK

3:10 – 4:05 p.m.

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- Leadership for Innovation Committee

State Board member Rebecca Taylor, chair; Wayne McDevitt, vice chair

Action items: North Carolina Charter Schools Advisory Board Recommendations for Approval of Charter School Applicants' Planning Year; Fast Track Replication of High-Quality Charter Schools; Virtual Charter School Pilot Program Application, Timeline and Process; and Approval of Charter School for the Dropout Prevention and Recovery Pilot Program

Discussion items: Repeal of State Board of Education Policy TCS-U-015 on the Establishment of Virtual Charter Schools in North Carolina and Process for Assumption of Inadequately Performing Charter Schools

New Business item: NCVPS Director's Report

4:05 – 4:30 p.m.

- 21st Century Systems Committee

State Board member Greg Alcorn, chair; Kevin Howell, vice chair

Action items: Membership for the State Advisory Council on Indian Education and Approval of Grant – Title V State Abstinence Education Grant Program

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Discussion items: Council on Educational Services for Exceptional Children and State Board of Education Appointments to Prosperity Zone Councils

New Business item: Update on Contracts

4:30 – 4:50 p.m.

- Healthy Responsible Students Committee

State Board member Tricia Willoughby, chair; Reginald Kenan, vice chair

Discussion item: Revisions to State Board Safety Policies

4:50 p.m. Board convenes in Open Session and adjourns to closed session

5:25 p.m. Board reconvenes then adjourns

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 4

9 – 11:30 a.m.

Following approval of their August minutes, Board members will recognize the 2014 North Carolina Virtual Public School Teacher of the Year Maria Topliff, the 2014-15 Wells Fargo North Carolina Principal of the Year Carrie Tulbert (Mooresville Middle School, Mooresville Graded Schools) and Residential School Board members for the Governor Morehead School for the Blind and the Eastern NC School for the Deaf.

State Superintendent June Atkinson will follow with her report to the Board, which will include a presentation of a Resolution on the 175th Anniversary of the Public School. Also during her report, NCDPI Legislative and Community Affairs Director Rachel Beaulieu will report on legislative activities. State Board Staff Attorney Katie Cornetto will then give a rules review update.

Under the Board's Information Agenda, members will receive the September 2014 Report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on Progress Toward Implementing the Race to the Top Initiative. Under the Consent Agenda, members will approve Beginning of Grade 3 English Language Arts/Reading Academic Achievement Levels, Reports to the North Carolina General Assembly on Students with Disabilities – Annual Child Count and Increase Successful Career and Technical Education Participation, Race to the Top Evaluation Report:

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Strategic Staffing in North Carolina – A Summative Review of Local and State Implementation Across the Rate to the Top Period, School Attendance and School Accounting Manual Revisions, Report the North Carolina General Assembly on Public School Procurement of Information Technology and Preliminary Cost Analysis of North Carolina's Race to the Top Initiative.

At around 10:30 a.m., committee chairs will report out and members will take action on regular agenda items as appropriate. This includes a presentation and action on the Cohort Graduation Rate for 2013-14, and release of the 2013-14 End-of-Grade, End-of-Course, The ACT, The ACT WorkKeys, Math Course Rigor and Annual Measurable Objectives. Chairman Bill Cobey will conclude the meeting with his comments followed by a discussion of any new and old business.

Under new business, Board members will elect a new chairman and vice chairman.