

Mississippi Board of Education
July 18, 2024
10:00 a.m.
4th Floor Boardroom
Central High School Building
Mississippi Department of Education (MDE)
359 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Invocation
- III. Approval of minutes of June 20, 2024 Board Meeting and minutes of Special-Called Board meetings on June 19, 2024 – Student Representative Interviews and Budget Work Session
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Recognition Ceremony

State-level Finalists for 2023-24 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

Mathematics Finalists

Sara Broadbent
Petal Upper Elementary School
Petal School District

Cassandra Johnson-Hudson
McLaurin Elementary School
Rankin County School District

Shonda Pummel
Camden Elementary School
Madison County School District

Science Finalists

Julie Chase

Weir Elementary School

Choctaw County School District

Kreissa Reed

Neshoba Central Elementary School

Neshoba County School District

Dr. Diane Smith

Wells APAC Elementary School

Jackson Public School District

- VI. Report of State Superintendent of Education
- VII. Report of Chair
- VIII. Report of Student Representatives
- IX. Report on State Board of Education Subcommittee (SBE) Meetings
- X. Discussion and/or Approval of Board Items (All action items require vote)
 - 01. Information: Spring 2024 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment results [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
 - 02. Action: Approval of Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Request [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
 - 03. Action: Approval of the MDE Contracts [Goals 1, 2, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
 - 03.A. Action: Modify contract with TransACT Communications, LLC dba AfterSchool21 to provide Mississippi's Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) data collection and reporting requirements [Goals 1, 2, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
 - 03.B. Action: Contract with Imagination Station, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2025 to provide an integrated assessment system that will include a Pre-Kindergarten and a Kindergarten-Readiness Assessment [Goals 1 and 2 — MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)

04. Action: Approval of the MDE grant awards [Goals 1, 2, and 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
 - 04.A. Action: Award competitive grant for Special Education State Systemic Improvement Plan Regional Literacy Coordinator (K-3) Educator-in-Residence services [Goals 1 and 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
 - 04.B. Action: Award competitive grants for Special Education State Systemic Improvement Plan Regional Literacy Coordinator (4-8) Educator-in-Residence services [Goals 1 and 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
 - 04.C. Action: Award grants for the Non-Profit Workforce Professional Development Program [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (John Ferrell)
 - 04.D. Action: Award Educator-in-Residence (EIR) Grant to a school district for Reading Intervention Coach Supports [Goals 1, 2, and 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
 - 04.E. Action: Award competitive grants to school districts to pilot the Services for Students with Dyslexia and Related Disorders [Goal 1 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
 - 04.F. Action: Award competitive grants for the McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
05. Consent Agenda (All consent items are action items which require vote, unless otherwise noted.)
 - A. Approval of monthly expenditures for the Mississippi School of the Arts (Donna Boone)
 - B. Approval of monthly expenditures for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (Donna Boone)
 - C. Approval of certified personnel for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (Donna Boone)
 - D. Approval of the 2024-2025 Student Handbooks for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind and the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (Donna Boone)

- E. Approval of the 2024-2025 Employee Handbooks for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind and the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (Donna Boone)
- F. Approval of the 2024-2025 Crisis Management Plans for the State Schools (Donna Boone)
- G. Approval of the 2024-2025 School Wellness Plan for the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (Donna Boone)
- H. Approval of FY25 budget for the Mississippi School of the Arts (Donna Boone)
- I. Approval of FY25 budget for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (Donna Boone)
- J. Approval of the 2024-2025 Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science and the Mississippi University for Women Memorandum of Agreement (Donna Boone)
- K. Approval of the 2024-2025 Memorandum of Understanding between the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science and the Columbus Municipal School District for the use of their track and field facilities (Donna Boone)
- L. Approval of the appointments to the Commission on School Accreditation (Paula Vanderford)
- M. Approval of the Mississippi Critical Teacher Shortage Act of 1998: Designation of 2024-2025 Critical Shortage Subject Areas and Critical Shortage Geographical Areas (Mississippi School Districts) (Paula Vanderford)
- N. Approval of Delta State University's request to modify its existing approved licensure-track programs in Physical Education and Health (Paula Vanderford)
- O. Approval of Jackson State University's request to establish a traditional teacher education preparation licensure-track bachelor's degree program in math that leads to dual licensure in the areas of Algebra (7-12) and Geometry (7-12) (Paula Vanderford)

- P. Approval of Mississippi College’s request to establish a Specialist in Education (Ed.S.) degree licensure-track program leading to Teacher Leadership licensure (Paula Vanderford)
- Q. Approval of Mississippi State University’s request to establish and administer the Teach Mississippi Institute (TMI) nontraditional teacher preparation program in accordance with requirements outlined in Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2 (6)(b) and related rules adopted by the State Board of Education (Paula Vanderford)
- R. Approval of Mississippi State University’s request to modify its licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities (7-12) by reducing the required hours of undergraduate coursework from eighteen (18) to fifteen (15) hours (Paula Vanderford)
- S. Approval of Mississippi University for Women’s request to establish a licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities (K-12) (Paula Vanderford)
- T. Approval of William Carey University’s request to establish a licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities (7-12) (Paula Vanderford)
- U. Approval of Alcorn State University’s request to offer the Mississippi State Board approved nontraditional teacher education preparation licensure-track Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) (K-6) Elementary Education program (Paula Vanderford)
- V. Approval of Alcorn State University’s request to establish a licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Child Development (Pre-K-K) (Paula Vanderford)
- W. Approval of Mississippi State University’s request to modify its existing licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities (K-8) by adding equivalent graduate level coursework to allow candidates to complete eighteen (18) hours of undergraduate level coursework or graduate level coursework or a combination thereof for obtaining the supplemental endorsement (Paula Vanderford)

- X. Approval of Mississippi State University’s request to modify its existing licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Special Education Mild/Moderate Disabilities (7-12) by adding equivalent graduate level coursework to allow candidates to complete fifteen (15) hours of undergraduate level coursework or graduate level coursework or a combination thereof for obtaining the supplemental endorsement (Paula Vanderford)
 - Y. Approval of Mississippi University for Women’s request to establish a licensure-track supplemental endorsement in the area of Reading (K-12) (Paula Vanderford)
 - Z. Approval of preliminary calculation of the Mississippi Student Funding Formula Base Student Cost for Fiscal Year 2026 (Felicia Gavin)
 - AA. Approval of preliminary calculation of the Mississippi Student Funding Formula for Fiscal Year 2026 (Felicia Gavin)
- XI. Consideration of Executive Session
- XII. State Board of Education
- 1. Report on meetings attended
 - 2. Approval of attendance at meetings
 - 3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
- XIII. Other Business
- 01. Action: Approval to change the date of the regularly scheduled November 2024 meeting of the Mississippi Board of Education from November 14, 2024 to November 7, 2024
- XIV. Adjournment

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