

Mississippi Board of Education
April 15, 2021
10:00 a.m.
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 March 11, 2021 Board Meeting
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Report of State Superintendent of Education
- VI. Report of Chair
- VII. Report of Student Representatives
- VIII. Report on State Board of Education Subcommittee (SBE) Meetings
- IX. Discussion and/or Approval of Board Items (All action items require vote)
 01. Action: Establish the Advanced Technical Mathematics course [Goal 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process without public comments) (Nathan Oakley)
 02. Action: Approval of Districts and Schools of Innovation for 2021-2022 [Goal 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
 - 02.A. Action: Approval of a school of innovation within the Laurel School District [Goal 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
 - 02.B. Action: Approval of district of innovation status for the Corinth School District [Goal 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
 - 02.C. Action: Approval district of innovation status for the Gulfport School District [Goal 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)

- 02.D. Action: Approval of a school of innovation within the Vicksburg Warren School District [Goal 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
03. Action: Revise Miss. Admin. Code 7-24: *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2020* specifically the business rules of the Mississippi Statewide Accountability System, Section 25, *College- and Career-Readiness*, regarding the inclusion of ACT WorkKeys in performance measures [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments) (Paula Vanderford)
04. Action: Begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish the 2021 Mississippi Educator Preparation Provider Process and Performance Guidelines [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
05. Action: Approval by the SBE to establish deadlines related to the suspension of strict compliance with specific state statutes, State Board of Education policies, manuals, and process standards for the 2020 – 2021 school year following Governor Tate Reeves' Proclamation of a State of Emergency as a result of the impact of COVID-19 (coronavirus) on school districts in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 33-15-31, 33-15-11(b)(9) and 33-15-11(c)(1) [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
06. Action: Approval of a financial advisor for the Holmes County Consolidated School District [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
07. Action: Approval of methodology to award grant dollars for Behavioral Telehealth to schools in accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Fund [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Washington Cole, IV)
08. Action: Approval of MDE contracts [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
- 08.A. Action: Renew contract with Research and Curriculum Unit, Mississippi State University for Fiscal Year 2022 for the operation of the Mississippi Career and Planning and Assessment System, Third Edition (MS-CPAS3) [Goals 1 and 2– MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
- 08.B. Action: Renew contract with Lydia Boutwell for Fiscal Year 2022 for Early Childhood Coach [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
- 08.C. Action: Renew contract with Hanover Research Council, LLC for FY 2022 to provide proprietary research information for education [Goal 5 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)

- 08.D. Action: Renew contract with ACT, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2022 to administer the ACT to all juniors in the state [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
- 08.E. Action: Renew contract with Questar Assessment, Inc. (QAI) for Fiscal Year 2022 to administer the English Language Arts and Mathematics in grades 3-8; Science Grades 5 & 8; and High School Algebra I, English II, and Biology I as part of the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program - Alternate, (MAAP-A) for students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (SCD) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
- 08.F. Action: Contract with ESSER Technical Assistance Specialist for ESSER Program for the Office of Federal Programs [Goal 5 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Joe Goff)
- 08.G. Action: Renew contract with Sharon Miller to provide services in the role of Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Coordinator for FY2022 [Goal 1 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
- 08.H. Action: Contract with Guidesoft Inc., d/b/a Knowledge Services under the terms of the Master Consulting Services Agreement to provide for the acquisition of Network Engineer Professionals for local school districts in support of MDE's Digital Learning Program [Goal 5 – MBE Strategic Plan] (John Kraman)
- 08.I. Action: Approval of employment agreement to serve as Superintendent for Noxubee County School District (NCSD) [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Washington Cole, IV)
- 08.J. Action: Approval of employment agreement to serve as Superintendent for Achievement School District (ASD) [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Washington Cole, IV)
- 09. Approval of MDE grant awards [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
 - 09.A. Action: Award grants to school districts for the purpose of providing for costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic impact on Pre-K classrooms [Goal 3 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)
 - 09.B. Action: Award competitive grant to state agency to facilitate the broadcast of instructional content via a statewide television network available to Mississippi students and teachers [Goals 1, 2, and 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Nathan Oakley)

09.C. [PULLED]

09.D. Action: Award grants to the School Nurse ESSER 1 Grant Program [Goal 1 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)

09.E. Action: Award grant to University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) for Behavioral Telehealth to schools in accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Fund [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Washington Cole, IV)

10. 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 (Nathan Oakley)

B. Approval of adjusted 2020-2021 calendar for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (Nathan Oakley)

C. Approval of Corrective Action Plans (CAPs) for Districts assigned a PROBATION or WITHDRAWN status in accordance with Accreditation Policy 2.8.1 (Paula Vanderford)

D. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Miss. Admin. Code: 7-24, *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2020*, specifically Process Standard 14, and Appendices A, B, and C and Miss. Admin. Code 7-163: *Mississippi Nonpublic School Accountability Standards, 2020*, specifically Appendices A, B, and C (Paula Vanderford)

E. Approval to revise licensure guidelines for certain Career and Technical Education Career Pathways; to revise Career and Technical Education 309 Special Populations supplemental endorsement licensure guidelines; to establish one new Career Pathway in the endorsement area of Advanced Manufacturing (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process without public comments) (Paula Vanderford)

F. Approval of a new school site for the Madison County School District (Paula Vanderford)

G. Approval of the appointments to the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Paula Vanderford)

- H. Approval of the 2021-2022 Teacher and Principal contracts for the Mississippi School of the Arts (Nathan Oakley)
- I. Approval of the Career and Technical Education Memorandum of Agreement between the Mississippi Community College Board and the Mississippi State Board of Education and the Mississippi Department of Education (Nathan Oakley)
- X. Consideration of Executive Session
- XI. State Board of Education
 - 1. Report on meetings attended
 - 2. Approval of attendance at meetings
- XII. Other Business
- XIII. Adjournment

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