

Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

November 15, 2012

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a work session at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2012 in the 4th Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Kami Bumgarner, Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Mr. Hal Gage, Mr. William H. Jones, Dr. John R. Kelly, Mr. Charles McClelland, and Mr. Richard Morrison. Board members absent were: Ms. Martha Murphy and Mr. Simon F. Weir, II.

Dr. O. Wayne Gann welcomed Ms. Laura Hipp from the Lt. Governor's Office to the meeting.

The work session was called to order by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair. Dr. Gann noted the statement on the agenda that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the work session.

Dr. Lynn House gave the following report from the State Superintendent of Education:

- Reported that Dr. Kim Benton and Dr. Daphne Buckley were present at the Pearl Lower Elementary School when the Milken Foundation recognized Sabrina Morgan as the Milken Teacher of the Year, the only Mississippian selected for this prestigious honor.
- Reported that she had the privilege of presenting during the CREATE/Toyota Conference in Tupelo, MS on October 30 and 31. Noted that the keynote speaker, Dr. Bill Daggett, is the founder of the International Center for Leadership in Education, an organization that is on the forefront of the work around Common Core.
- Reported that Dr. Gann and Dr. Larry Drawdy had the opportunity to share perspectives on leadership related to the responsibilities of local boards of education at the Mississippi School Board Association (MASA) Conference on Tuesday, November 13, 2012. Noted that the Department will continue to work on more strategies for engaging school boards since it is very apparent that the decisions made by boards greatly impact the success of our schools.
- Reported that the United States Department of Education (USDE) made a site visit to review Mississippi's work around the Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems. Noted that this effort had been led by Mr. Mike Kent.
- Reported that the Joint Senate and House Education Committees will take place at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, December 12 and 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 13 and that the Department will provide additional information to the Board regarding the agenda for these sessions as it is made available.
- Reported she met with the Board of Mississippi Association of School Superintendents (MASS) to discuss issues and concerns and that she will continue to work collaboratively with the MASS Board during the legislative session.

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- Conveyed her gratitude to the MDE staff, to collaborative partners represented in the audience, to our State Board Chair and Vice Chair, and to the other Board members for the energy and devotion shown in support of educational success for all students in our state.

Dr. John R. Kelly reported that the Educational Accountability Subcommittee met prior to the Board meeting and discussed the Applications Director position and the process for evaluating programs in the Department.

Mr. Charles McClelland reported on the Bolivar County Consolidation hearing held on November 5 pursuant to Senate Bill 2760. Dr. John R. Kelly and Mr. Richard Morrison were also present at the hearing. Mr. McClelland commended Dr. House and Mr. Mike Kent for organizing the meeting.

Mr. Mike Kent reported on the November 5, 2012 meeting of the Board's subcommittee on the Bolivar County Consolidation where the subcommittee heard comments from the school board members, superintendents and attorneys for the Benoit School District, Mound Bayou School District, North Bolivar School District, Shaw School District, and West Bolivar School District. Mr. Kent provided the Board members with a summary of Senate Bill 2760, a copy of Senate Bill 2760, an email sent by Mike Kent to the affected school districts notifying them of the times they would be allowed to address the subcommittee of the Board, criteria typically considered during reapportionment, and a list of superintendents and board members for the five affected school districts. Mr. Kent also provided the Board members with the report prepared by Augenblick, Palaich and Associates on the agriculture high schools pursuant to SB 2760 and noted that the Board was given a December 1 deadline to report to the Legislature.

Dr. Larry Drawdy and Ms. Kathy Boteler discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process to establish Board Policy 2650 – Conversion Charter Schools and approval of the Conversion Charter School Petition and Conversion Plan (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Drawdy and Mr. James Malone, Conservator for Tate County School District, gave a report on Tate County School District (copy attached).

Dr. Drawdy and Mr. James Malone, Conservator for Okolona School District, gave a report on Okolona School District (copy attached).

Dr. Drawdy and Mr. Robert Strebeck, Conservator for Aberdeen School District, gave a report on Aberdeen School District (copy attached).

Dr. Drawdy discussed modifying contract with Conservator for Hazlehurst City School District (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

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Dr. Drawdy discussed appointment of Conservator for Okolona School District (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

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Dr. Drawdy discussed appointment of Conservator for Oktibbeha County School District (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Drawdy discussed contract with Conservator for Oktibbeha County School District (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Drawdy discussed modifying contract with Linda B. Spence to serve as a financial consultant in Okolona School District (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Drawdy and Ms. Toni Kersh gave a report on Alternative Education.

Dr. Drawdy and Ms. Kersh discussed a contract with Fahrenheit Creative Group, LLC (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Drawdy and Ms. Toni Kersh discussed awarding the Talent Search Grant to Newton Municipal School District (copy attached). Dr. Drawdy recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Kim Benton discussed awarding discretionary grants to school districts to implement the *Excellence for All* program (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

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Dr. Benton and Ms. Trecina Green discussed awarding competitive grants for the Mathematics and Science Partnerships Program (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Jean Massey discussed revising the Mississippi Secondary Curriculum Frameworks in Career and Technical Education for Contemporary Health (9-12). The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Walt Drane discussed awarding discretionary grants to school districts to provide partial funding for a universal screener in language arts/reading and mathematics for students in grades K-3 (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Debbie Murphy discussed awarding a continuation grant to Mississippi State University – Mississippi Migrant Education Service Center for the Migrant Education Program (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Ann Moore discussed modifying the contract with Fluency Plus, LLC to provide consultative services to the Mississippi Department of Education relative to providing technical assistance to selected school districts in identified priority areas and to districts that are implementing improvement plans and corrective action plans in accordance with *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004* and State Board Policy 7219 (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Moore discussed a three-year Interagency Agreement with the University of Southern Mississippi to continue the school program for children with autism (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

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Dr. Benton discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process to revise the *Mississippi Elementary and Middle School Curriculum Frameworks* for Contemporary Health (K-8) (copy attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Daphne Buckley discussed the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) Advisory Board appointments (copy attached). Dr. Buckley recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Buckley discussed modifying grant awards for the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) Grant (copy attached). Dr. Buckley recommended approval on Friday.

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Dr. Buckley discussed implementing a transition plan to allow individuals who held a passing score on Praxis I and Praxis II, in the areas presented to the Board, prior to September 1, 2012 to obtain certification by September 1, 2014 (copy attached). Dr. Buckley recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. John Gilbert and Mr. Bobby Massey discussed appointment of Applications Director to the Office of Management Information Systems (copy attached). Mr. Gilbert recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Gilbert and Dr. Paula Vanderford discussed revising the following State Board Policies. The items have cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment (copy attached):

- A. To revise State Board Policy 2902 - Approved Courses for the Secondary Schools
- B. To revise State Board Policy 2903 - Access to a Substantive and Rigorous Curriculum Policy
- C. To revise State Board Policy 3801 - Graduation Requirements – Policies for Subject Area Testing
- D. To revise State Board Policy 3802 - Graduation Requirements – Policies for Carnegie Unit Credit

Mr. Gilbert recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Gilbert and Dr. Vanderford reported on the Accountability Task Force meeting held on October 26, 2012.

Dr. Gann gave the Board an opportunity to discuss the following consent items:

- A. Discussion of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits (Kim Benton)
- B. Discussion to award competitive contracts to various manufacturers to provide food and non-food products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Kim Benton)
- C. Discussion of Construction Plan for an additional Career and Technical Education Center in the DeSoto County School District utilizing local funds (Kim Benton)
- D. Report on Personnel Actions (Cassandra Moore)

Consideration of Executive Session

Mr. William H. Jones moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation, investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law and personnel issues in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a), (b), (d), and (k). The motion was seconded by Mr. Hal Gage, and the motion passed on a vote of 6 to 0.

Mr. William H. Jones then moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a strategy session or negotiations with respect to litigation involving the Department of Education in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b), discussion with respect to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d) and discussion of discrete personnel matters related to the job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education and discussion of the employment of persons in specific positions and transaction of business related thereto in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (a) and (k). Mr. Richard Morrison seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6 to 0.

Ms. Kathy Boteler informed the public of the Board's decision to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a strategy session or negotiations with respect to litigation involving the Department of Education in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b), discussion with respect to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d) and discussion of discrete personnel matters related to the job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education and discussion of the employment of persons in specific positions and transaction of business related thereto in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (a) and (k).

Dr. O. Wayne Gann stated the following to remain in the Executive Session: Dr. Lynn House, Mr. John Gilbert, and Ms. Kathy Boteler.

Minutes of the Executive Session

During the Executive Session, the Board discussed a strategy session or negotiations with respect to litigation involving the Department of Education in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b), discussed investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d) and discussed discrete personnel matters related to the job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education and discussed the employment of persons in specific positions and transaction of business related thereto in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (a) and (k).

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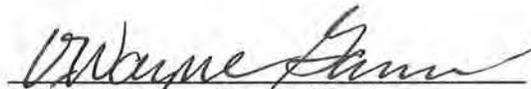
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Mr. Charles McClelland moved that the Board adjourn from Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner and the motion passed on a vote of 6 to 0.

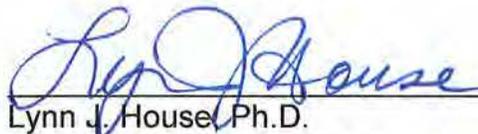
Upon returning to regular session, Dr. O. Wayne Gann announced that no action was taken in the Executive Session. No other business was discussed.

On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Approved:



Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education



Lynn J. House, Ph.D.
Interim Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education

Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

November 16, 2012

The regular meeting of the Mississippi Board of Education was held at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, November 16, 2012 in the 4th Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Kami Bumgarner, Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Mr. Hal Gage, Mr. William H. Jones, Dr. John R. Kelly, Mr. Charles McClelland, and Mr. Richard Morrison. Board members absent were: Ms. Martha Murphy and Mr. Simon F. Weir, II.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair. Dr. Gann noted the statement on the agenda that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the Board meeting.
- II. Mr. Hal Gage led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Ms. Kami Bumgarner gave the Invocation.
- III. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the meeting of October 18-19, 2012.
- IV. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Mr. William H. Jones, the Board unanimously approved to amend the agenda to add the following items:
 41. Approval of the appointment of an Interim Director of the Office of Educational Accountability effective January 1, 2013
 42. Approval of contract with Mike Kent to serve as Interim Director of the Office of Educational Accountability
 43. Approval for the Department to submit report and recommendations prepared by Augenblick, Palaich and Associates on the agricultural high schools as pursuant to SB 2760

On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as amended.

Dr. Gann noted that the back-up to item 40.A. approval of monthly contracts with former state employees receiving retirement benefits was amended to include the contract with Mike Kent.

- V. Report of the Chair
 - Stated that funds were being collected by Dr. Laura Jones and Ms. Toni Kersh to provide gifts to needy children during the Christmas season.

- Noted that the subcommittee assignments have been made and provided to the Board members.
- Reported that he attended the Education Forum in Tupelo with Toyota and CREATE Foundation where Dr. Bill Daggett was the keynote speaker.

VI. Approval of Action Items

(Items below are numbered to correspond to the items as discussed on Thursday, November 15, 2012.)

04. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish Board Policy 2650 – Conversion Charter Schools and approval of the Conversion School Petition and Conversion Plan (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
08. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Conservator for Hazlehurst City School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
09. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Conservator for North Panola School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
10. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Conservator for Indianola School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
11. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Conservator for Tate County School District (copy attached).
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12. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Conservator for Sunflower County School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
13. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Conservator for Aberdeen School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)

14. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved appointment of Conservator for Okolona School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
15. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to contract with Conservator for Okolona School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
16. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved appointment of Conservator for Oktibbeha County School District (copy attached).
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18. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify contract with Linda B. Spence to serve as a financial consultant in Okolona School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
20. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to contract with Fahrenheit Creative Group, LLC (copy attached).
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21. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to award Talent Search Grant to Newton Municipal School District (copy attached).
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22. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to award discretionary grants to school districts to implement the *Excellence for All* program (copy attached).
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
24. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to award competitive grants for the Mathematics and Science Partnerships Program (copy attached).
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

25. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to revise the Mississippi Secondary Curriculum Frameworks in Career and Technical Education for Contemporary Health (9-12). The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

26. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to award discretionary grants to school districts to provide partial funding for a universal screener in language arts/reading and mathematics for students in grades K-3 (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

27. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to award a continuation grant to Mississippi State University – Mississippi Migrant Education Service Center for the Migrant Education Program (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

28. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to modify contract with Fluency Plus, LLC to provide consultative services to the Mississippi Department of Education relative to providing technical assistance to selected school districts in identified priority areas and to districts that are implementing improvement plans and corrective action plans in accordance with *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004* and State Board Policy 7219 (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

29. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved a three-year Interagency Agreement with the University of Southern Mississippi to continue the school program for children with autism (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

32. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise the *Mississippi Elementary and Middle School Curriculum Frameworks* for Contemporary Health (K-8) (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)

33. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the following Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) Advisory Board appointments (copy attached): Mr. Mickey Gousett, layperson (reappointment, second term) and Dr. Cherie Labat, principal practicing secondary (reappointment, second term); Ms. Patricia Luscomb, non-

public parochial school representative (new appointment) and Ms. Elizabeth Messer, parent MSMS junior (new appointment).

(Office of Quality Professionals & Special Schools)

34. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved to modify grant awards for the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) Grant (copy attached).

(Office of Quality Professionals & Special Schools)

36. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved to implement a transition plan to allow individuals who held a passing score on Praxis I and Praxis II, in the following areas, prior to September 1, 2012 to obtain certification by September 1, 2014: Praxis I Reading (0710) cut score 172; Praxis I Writing (0720) cut score 173; Praxis I Mathematics (0730) cut score 172; Business Education (0101) cut score 153; Mathematics (0061) cut score 128; Middle Grade Mathematics (0069) cut score 146; Middle Grade Science (0439) cut score 144; Middle Grade Social Studies (0089) cut score 149; Physical Education (0091) cut score 145; Social Studies (0081) cut score 150; Special Education (0354) cut score 152; and Speech Communication (0221) cut score 143 (copy attached).

(Office of Quality Professionals & Special Schools)

37. On a motion by Mr. Hal Gage, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved of appointment of Mr. Victor A. Keyes as Applications Director in the Office of Management Information Systems at an annual salary of \$84,000.00.

(Office of Educational Accountability)

38. On a motion by Mr. Hal Gage, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved to revise the following State Board Policies (copy attached). The items have cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment.

(Office of Educational Accountability)

- A. To revise State Board Policy 2902 - Approved Courses for the Secondary Schools
- B. To revise State Board Policy 2903 - Access to a Substantive and Rigorous Curriculum Policy
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40. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the following consent items (copy attached):
 - A. Approval of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
 - B. Approval to award competitive contracts to various manufacturers to provide food and non-food products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program
(Office of Instructional Enhancement & Internal Operations)
 - C. Approval of Construction Plan for an additional Career and Technical Education Center in the DeSoto County School District utilizing local funds
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41. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. Mike Kent as Interim Director of the Office of Educational Accountability effective January 1, 2013 (copy attached).
(Office of the State Superintendent)
42. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved a contract with Mr. Mike Kent to serve as Interim Director of the Office of Educational Accountability.
(Office of the State Superintendent)
43. Mr. Hal Gage moved to submit the report prepared by Augenblick, Palaich and Associates on the agricultural high schools to the Legislature without endorsement or recommendation. The Board discussed that a subcommittee of the Board be appointed to vet the findings and recommendations in the Augenblick report with all parties and provide a recommendation to the Legislature after the January 17-18, 2013 Board meeting. The Board further discussed submitting the Augenblick report to the Legislature with a memorandum stating that final recommendations of the Board will be submitted following the January, 2013 Board meeting. On a motion by Mr. William H. Jones, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved for the Department to submit the report prepared by Augenblick, Palaich and Associates on the agricultural high schools pursuant to SB 2760 and that the Board would provide final recommendations to the Legislature after the January, 2013 Board meeting (copy attached). Dr. Wayne Gann appointed Mr. Hal Gage, Mr. Richard Morrison, and Mr. Charles McClelland to serve on the subcommittee regarding the agricultural high schools.
(Office of the State Superintendent)

VII. Recognition Ceremony

2012 Outstanding Administrator of the Year

Randy Hodges, Superintendent
Lauderdale County School District

2012 Distinguished Community Arts Agency and Cultural Institution Arts Award

Charlotte Tabereaux, Education Director and Dennis Sankovich, Executive Director
MSU Riley Center for Education and Performing Arts

The Thad Cochran Distinguished Arts Educator Award in Music for 2012

Shawn Morgan, Vocal/Music Skills Instructor
Power Academic and Performing Arts Complex - Jackson Public Schools

The Thad Cochran Distinguished Arts Educator Award in Theatre for 2012

Malaika Quarterman, Theatre Teacher
Power Academic and Performing Arts Complex - Jackson Public Schools

2012 October Employee of the Month

Amy Daniel
Staff Officer III
Office of Educator Licensure

2012 November Employee of the Month

Deborah Caldwell
Education Specialist, Senior
Office of Educator Licensure

VIII. State Board of Education

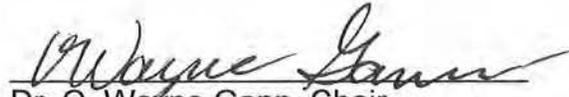
01. Mr. Richard Morrison reported that he attended a meeting in Boston, MA with seven other states to discuss Common Core.
02. There were no requests for approval of attendance at meetings.
03. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Hal Gage, the Board unanimously approved Thursday, December 20, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. as the date and time for the teleconference December meeting of the State Board of Education.

IX. There was no other business.

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- X. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Approved:



Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education



Lynn J. House, Ph.D.
Interim Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education