

Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

April 17, 2014

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a work session at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2014 in the 4th Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Dr. John R. Kelly, Mr. Charles McClelland, Mr. Richard Morrison, and Mr. Simon F. Weir, II. Board members absent were: Ms. Kami Bumgarner and Mr. William H. Jones.

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. Gann stated that Mr. William H. Jones was not present at the meeting because his mother-in law had recently passed away.

Dr. Carey M. Wright gave the following report as the State Superintendent of Education:

- Dr. Wright stated the 2014 Legislative Session had concluded. She thanked the Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker, and gave special thanks to Chairman John Moore, Chairman Gray Tollison, and Chairman Terry Burton. Dr. Wright stated that MDE had worked collaboratively with state leaders and legislators to get legislation passed.
- Dr. Wright introduced Mr. Pete Smith who updated the Board on the following legislation that was important to the Mississippi Department of Education: (1) MAEP was not fully funded; (2) the teacher's pay raise was approved; (3) the Superintendent Academy was approved; (4) Literacy Third Grade gate was funded; (5) a literacy based program was funded; (6) a pilot in "C" districts was funded for literacy based programs; (7) funds were awarded for better professional development for teachers; (8) the High School Innovation (*Excellence For All*) was funded; (9) obtained funding for dropout prevention in "D and F" districts; and (10) funds were approved for all juniors across the state to take the ACT.
- Dr. Wright met with the United States Department of Education (USDE) on March 26 and 27, 2014 for a site visit on the Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) including all individuals that are involved in the SLDS.
- Dr. Wright stated the Charter School Authorizer Board meets once a month and they have approved three applications for charter schools, Jackson, Natchez-Adams, and Columbus.
- Dr. Wright stated the Regional Superintendent Meetings started on Tuesday, April 15, 2014, and will continue through April and May across the state.
- Dr. Wright recognized Ms. Marla Davis and Mr. Vinnie Segalini from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction for their work with Common Core State Standards and Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC)

assessments. Mr. Segalini has taken on additional leadership responsibilities with PARCC, serving as the Chair of the English Language Arts Operational Working Group for the consortium.

- Dr. Wright stated that the Mississippi Association of School Administrators (MASA) Spring Leadership Conference was held with administrators from across the state and MDE staff presented several sessions. She recognized the staff who presented at the conference by asking them to stand.
- Dr. Wright thanked Mr. Pete Smith for his many hours of working with the legislative priorities and the Board. She also thanked Mr. Todd Ivey and Ms. Gracie Sanders for their hard work with the legislature this session.

Dr. Gann thanked everyone for the work with the legislature during the 2014 Legislative Session.

Dr. John R. Kelly gave a report from the Accountability subcommittee meeting that was held prior to the Board meeting. They discussed several items and two items will be coming to the Board for action in April. One item is the revisions to the Accountability Standards and the other item is consideration in weighting of the graduation, science and U.S. History components for high schools and districts with grade 12 in the Mississippi Statewide Accountability System.

Mr. Mike Kent, Dr. Arthur Carlidge, Superintendent of Yazoo City School District, Ms. Lucille Lovette, Lead Teacher, Yazoo City School District, and, Mr. John Wallace, Chair, Board of Trustees of Yazoo City School District gave a report on the current status of the Yazoo City School District (copy of PowerPoint attached).

Mr. Mike Kent reported on the status of Bolivar County consolidation. Mr. Kent reported that the school districts are on schedule to consolidate by July 1, 2014 and will be issuing contracts to principals and teachers by May 15, 2014. He also reported that superintendents for the two new consolidated districts should be hired by May 15, 2014.

Mr. Kent and Mr. Ben Collins, Analyst, PEER, reported they met with the Board of Supervisors on March 18, 2014 to talk about the process of establishing the new school district lines for the West Point Consolidated School District. A public meeting was held to obtain input from elected officials and residents of Clay County. A map was presented to the Board for approval of the two single member Board of Trustee election district lines located outside of West Point Corporate Limits for West Point Consolidated School District.

Mr. Pat Ross and Dr. Bill Welch discussed contracts for the following conservators. Mr. Ross recommended approval on Friday.

- A. Discussion of contract for Conservator for Aberdeen School District
- B. Discussion of contract for Conservator for Oktibbeha County School District

C. Discussion of contract for Conservator for Claiborne County School District

D. Discussion of contract for Conservator for Leflore County School District

Mr. Ross and Dr. Welch discussed the appointment of a Conservator for the Scott County School District. Mr. Ross recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Ross and Dr. Welch discussed the contract for a Conservator for Scott County School District. Mr. Ross recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Kim Benton and Ms. Trecina Green discussed awarding discretionary grants to school districts for the purpose of contracting with thirty-five Educators in Residence to provide consultative services and technical assistance. Ms. Lisa White was recognized as an Educator in Residence for the Department of Education. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Green discussed contracting with North Mississippi Education Consortium for Fiscal Year 2015. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Jean Massey discussed renewing the contract with Mississippi Assessment Center at the Research and Curriculum Unit at Mississippi State University for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Career Planning and Assessment System, Second Edition (MS-CPAS2). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Ellen Burnham discussed renewing the contract with The Riverside Publishing Company “DBA” HM Receivables, LLC for Fiscal Year 2015 to provide an assessment system as required by the State Performance Plan. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Burnham discussed renewing the contract with Evergreen Evaluation & Consulting, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 as the project evaluator for the State Personnel Development Grant. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Burnham discussed renewing the contract with MMI Dining Systems, L.L.C. for Fiscal Year 2015 to provide food service on the campus of Mississippi Schools for the Blind and Deaf. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Burnham discussed renewing the contract with C & B Enterprise, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2015 to provide security services on the campus of the Mississippi Schools for the Blind and Deaf. Ms. Sandra Edwards answered questions from the Board about the actual contract costs (including modifications). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Scott Clements discussed modifying the contract with Communication Arts Company to provide consultative services to the Office of Child Nutrition relating to the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Clements discussed renewing the contract with Ciber, Inc., to provide developers for modifications and enhancements to a web-based payment and contract system. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. James Mason discussed awarding discretionary grants to school districts to support both online learning experiences and assessments. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed renewing the contract for the final year with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Curriculum Test, Second Edition (MCT2). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed renewing the contract with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Subject Area Testing Program, Second Edition (SATP2). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed renewing contract with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 for the operation of the Mississippi Science Test, Second Edition (MST2), Grades 5 and 8. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed renewing the contract with Measured Progress for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Alternate Assessment of Extended Curriculum Frameworks (MAAECF). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed modifying the contract with Renaissance Learning for the Mississippi K-3 Assessment Support System (MKAS²). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed adopting the *Mississippi Extended Science Framework (MESF)*. The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments that were presented to the Board. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Mr. Mason discussed approval of the 2014-2015 Mississippi Statewide Testing Calendar. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton, Ms. Green, and Mr. Nathan Oakley discussed renewing the contract with Cambium Education, Inc., dba Sopris Learning, for Fiscal Year 2015 for the operation of the Mississippi K-3 Literacy Professional Development Training System. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Dr. Benton and Ms. Green discussed the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) Advisory Board appointments. Ms. Green stated that the action that was taken during the January 2014 Board meeting did not reflect the correct list of Advisory Board members. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.

Ms. Cerissa Neal discussed a request from Mississippi State University for a Degree in Technology Education/Business Technology Concentration with the Added Supplemental Endorsement of 405 Business Management and 411 Business Technology. Ms. Neal recommended approval on Friday.

Ms. Neal discussed a request from Blue Mountain College for a Supplemental Endorsement in Secondary Mathematics. Ms. Neal recommended approval on Friday.

Ms. Neal discussed changes to the Rules and Regulations of the following Loan/Scholarship Programs as recommended by the Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid. Ms. Neal recommended approval on Friday.

- A. Critical Needs Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- B. Critical Needs Alternate Route Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- C. William Winter Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- D. William Winter Alternate Route Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- E. All Loan/Scholarship Rules and Regulations

Ms. Neal discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To approve the Praxis II Tests and recommended Passing Scores as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development. Ms. Neal recommended approval on Friday.

- A. Praxis II Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment (5017) to Replace 0011/5011
- B. Praxis II Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (5018)
- C. Praxis II Middle School Science (5440)

Ms. Neal discussed renewing the contract with IMPACT Mississippi Education Consulting, LLC for assistance in management of the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) Grant. Ms. Neal recommended approval on Friday.

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:49 a.m. and reconvened at 12:52 p.m.

Mr. Todd Ivey, Dr. Paula Vanderford, and Ms. Jo Ann Malone discussed the proposed revisions to the Process Standards in the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2012*. The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments that were presented to the Board. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Ivey, Dr. Vanderford, and Ms. Malone discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise the weighting of the graduation, science, and U.S. History components for high schools and districts with grade 12 in the Mississippi Statewide Accountability System. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

Mr. Ivey and Dr. Vanderford discussed the days missed by school districts as a result of flooding and severe weather beginning April 3, 2014. Mr. Ivey requested a decision on Friday as to whether the Board would approve or deny the requests of school districts to waive the 180-day requirement to operate the school district.

Dr. Wright discussed the contract with Michael D. Kent to perform administrative duties for the Deputy State Superintendent. Mr. Wright recommended approval on Friday.

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

- A. Discussion of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits (Kim Benton)
- B. Discussion of the Mississippi School of the Arts 2014-2015 Student Handbook (Kim Benton)
- C. Discussion of the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science 2014-2015 Student Handbook (Kim Benton)
- D. Discussion of a new school site for the Madison County School District (Pat Ross)
- E. Discussion of a request from the Office of Career and Technical Education for New License Codes 914, 916, 925, 962, 963, and 993 as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment) (Cerissa Neal)

- F. Discussion of a request from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction for New License Codes 405 and 411 as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment) (Cerissa Neal)
- G. Report of Personnel Actions (Cassandra Moore)

The Board had no discussion on the consent items.

Dr. John R. Kelly moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session with respect to prospective litigation, litigation, investigative proceedings, and personnel issues in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a), (b), (d), and (k). The motion was seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, and the motion passed on a vote of 5 to 0.

Dr. John R. Kelly then moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of a strategy session or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation and with respect to litigation involving the State Board of Education and the Department of Education involving student issues in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b), investigative proceedings of allegations of misconduct or violation of law by school districts in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d), and discussion of discrete personnel matters regarding job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education and concerning the operation of the Department of Education, including but not limited to, the reassignment and/or reorganization of staff in specific offices and positions within the Department of Education, in accordance with Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k) of the Mississippi Code. Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5 to 0. Ms. Kathy Boteler informed the public of the Board's vote to go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons.

Dr. O. Wayne Gann stated the following to remain in the Executive Session: Dr. Carey M. Wright, Dr. Kim Benton, Mr. Todd Ivey, Mr. Pete Smith, Mr. Washington Cole, Ms. Patrice Guilfoyle, Dr. Paula Vanderford, Ms. Staci Curry, Ms. Jo Ann Malone, Mr. Pat Ross, and Ms. Kathy Boteler.

Minutes of the Executive Session

The Board discussed strategy sessions and negotiations with respect to prospective litigation and with respect to litigation involving the State Board of Education and the Department of Education involving student issues in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(b), investigative proceedings of allegations of misconduct or violation of law by school districts in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 25-41-7 (4)(d), and discussion of discrete personnel matters regarding job performance of

persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education and concerning the operation of the Department of Education, including but not limited to, the reassignment and/or reorganization of staff in specific offices and positions within the Department of Education, in accordance with Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k) of the Mississippi Code.

The Board took action on the following items during the Executive Session:

1. On a motion by Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Mr. Todd Ivey, Deputy State Superintendent, Office of Educational Accountability, to serve as Chief Operation Officer at a salary of \$154,000.00.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

Member abstaining: Mr. Charles McClelland

2. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Gretchen Cagle to serve as Education Bureau Manager, Office of Special Education, at a salary of \$100,000.00.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

3. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Jo Ann Malone to serve as Superintendent, Mississippi School for the Blind at a salary of \$91,560.00 (effective June 1, 2014).

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

4. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, the Board voted unanimously to approve the salary of \$91,560.00 for Ms. Sandra Edwards to serve as Superintendent, Mississippi School for the Deaf. Ms. Edwards had been serving as the Interim Superintendent for the Mississippi School for the Blind.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

5. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, the Board approved a non-monetary settlement in litigation involving a student in a conservatorship school district.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Member absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

On motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, the motion passed on a vote 5 to 0 to come out of Executive Session.

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On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Approved:



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



Dr. Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education

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The regular meeting of the Mississippi Board of Education met at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, April 18, 2014 via teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code for the purpose of conducting the meeting. The location of the meeting available to the public was the 4th Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Dr. O. Wayne Gann (4th Floor Boardroom, Central High School Building, Jackson, Mississippi), Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman (4th Floor Boardroom, Central High School Building, Jackson, Mississippi), Dr. John R. Kelly (4th Floor Boardroom, Central High School Building, Jackson, Mississippi), Mr. Charles McClelland (4th Floor Boardroom, Central High School Building, Jackson, Mississippi), Mr. Richard Morrison (4th Floor Boardroom, Central High School Building, Jackson, Mississippi), and Mr. Simon F. Weir, II, (Southaven, Mississippi). Board members absent were: Ms. Kami Bumgarner and Mr. William H. Jones. Dr. Carey M. Wright, State Superintendent, was present in the 4th Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Dr. Gann noted that the meeting of the Board of Education was being held via teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code. Dr. Gann also stated that an audio recording was being made of the meeting. Dr. Gann announced that a quorum of the Board was present at the locations stated for the purpose of conducting a meeting through teleconference means.

- 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. Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Dr. Gann gave the Invocation.
- III. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting on March 20-21, 2014.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

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Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

Dr. Gann stated that Item 35 was reworded as follows:

35. Action on the waiver requests from two school districts to operate school districts for less than one hundred eighty (180) days as a result of flooding and severe weather beginning April 3, 2014
(Office of Educational Accountability)

Dr. Gann stated that Items 05 and 38 had been added to the agenda and read the items:

05. Approval of the proposed two single member board of trustee election district lines located outside of West Point corporate limits for West Point Consolidated School District as depicted in the attached map
(Office of State Superintendent)
 38. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Coahoma County Agricultural High School and the Mississippi Department of Education
(Office of State Superintendent)
- IV. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved the revised agenda as presented.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

V. Report of the Chair

Dr. Gann reported that the following Board items were approved yesterday, April 17, 2014, in Executive Session:

1. Approved the appointment of Mr. Todd Ivey, Deputy State Superintendent, Office of Educational Accountability to serve as Chief Operating Officer at a salary of \$154,000.00

2. Approved the appointment of Ms. Gretchen Cagle to serve as Education Bureau Manager, Office of Special Education at a salary of \$100,000.00
3. Approved the appointment of Ms. Jo Ann Malone to serve as Superintendent, Mississippi School for the Blind at a salary of \$91,560.00 (effective June 1, 2014)

On behalf of the Board, Dr. Gann thanked Ms. Sandra Edwards for serving as Interim Superintendent, Mississippi School for the Blind.

VI. Approval of Action Items

(Items below are numbered to correspond to the items as discussed on Thursday, April 17, 2014.)

05. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved the proposed two single member board of trustee election district lines located outside of West Point corporate limits for West Point Consolidated School District as depicted in the attached map.
(Office of State Superintendent)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

06. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the contracts for the following conservators (copies attached):
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)

- A. Approval of contract for Conservator for Aberdeen School District
- B. Approval of contract for Conservator for Oktibbeha County School District
- C. Approval of contract for Conservator for Claiborne County School District
- D. Approval of contract for Conservator for Leflore County School District

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

07. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of a Conservator for the Scott County School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

08. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the contract for Conservator for Scott County School District (copy attached).
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

09. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to award discretionary grants to school districts for the purpose of contracting with Educators in Residence to provide consultative services and technical assistance (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

10. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to contract with North Mississippi Education Consortium for Fiscal Year 2015 (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

11. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with Mississippi Assessment Center at the Research and Curriculum Unit at Mississippi State University for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Career Planning and Assessment System, Second Edition (MS-CPAS2) (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

12. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew the contract with The Riverside Publishing Company “DBA” HM Receivables, LLC for Fiscal Year 2015 to provide an assessment system as required by the State Performance Plan (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

13. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew the contract with Evergreen Evaluation & Consulting, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 as the project evaluator for the State Personnel Development Grant (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

14. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew the contract with MMI Dining Systems, L.L.C. for Fiscal Year 2015 to provide food service on the campus of Mississippi Schools for the Blind and Deaf (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

15. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew the contract with C & B Enterprise, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2015 to provide security services on the campus of the Mississippi Schools for the Blind and Deaf (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

16. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to modify contract with Communication Arts Company to provide consultative services to the Office of Child Nutrition relating to the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

17. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with Ciber, Inc., to provide developers for modifications and enhancements to a web-based payment and contract system (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

18. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to award discretionary grants to school districts to support both online learning experiences and assessments (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

19. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract for the final year with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Curriculum Test, Second Edition (MCT2) (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

20. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Subject Area Testing Program, Second Edition (SATP2) (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

21. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2015 for the operation of the Mississippi Science Test, Second Edition (MST2), Grades 5 and 8 (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

22. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with Measured Progress for Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mississippi Alternate Assessment of Extended Curriculum Frameworks (MAAECF) (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

23. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved to modify the contract with Renaissance Learning for the Mississippi K-3 Assessment Support System (MKAS²) (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Member abstaining: Dr. John R. Kelly

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

24. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to adopt the *Mississippi Extended Science Framework (MESF)*. The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments that were presented to the Board (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

25. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the 2014-2015 Mississippi Statewide Testing Calendar (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

26. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with Cambium Education, Inc., dba Sopris Learning, for Fiscal Year 2015 for the operation of the Mississippi K-3 Literacy Professional Development Training System (copy attached).

(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

27. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the following Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) Advisory Board appointments (copy attached): Dr. Lee Childress, practicing public school superintendent (reappointment, second term 2014-2016); Ms. Carol Paola, Mississippi Association of Gifted Children (reappointment, second term 2014-2016); Mr. Stanley Taylor, layperson (new appointment, term 2012-2014); Dr. Suzanne Bean, layperson (new appointment 2014-2016); and Dr. Murrell Godfrey, layperson (new appointment 2014-2016).
(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

28. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the request from Mississippi State University for a Degree in Technology Education/Business Technology Concentration with the Added Supplemental Endorsement of 405 Business Management and 411 Business Technology (copy attached).
(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

29. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the request from Blue Mountain College for a Supplemental Endorsement in Secondary Mathematics (copy attached).
(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

30. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the changes to the Rules and Regulations of the following Loan/Scholarship Programs as recommended by the Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid (copy attached).

(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)

- A. Critical Needs Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- B. Critical Needs Alternate Route Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- C. William Winter Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- D. William Winter Alternate Route Teacher Loan/Scholarship
- E. All Loan/Scholarship Rules and Regulations

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

31. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the Praxis II Tests and recommended Passing Scores as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (copy attached).

(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)

A. Praxis II Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment (5017) to Replace 0011/5011

B. Praxis II Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (5018)

C. Praxis II Middle School Science (5440)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

32. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved to renew contract with IMPACT Mississippi Education Consulting, LLC for assistance in management of the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) Grant (copy attached).
(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

33. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved the proposed revisions to the Process Standards in the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2012*. The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments that were presented to the Board (copy attached).
(Office of Educational Accountability)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

34. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise the weighting of the graduation, science and U.S. History components for high schools and districts with grade 12 in the Mississippi Statewide Accountability System (copy attached).
(Office of Educational Accountability)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

The Chair asked for a motion to approve item 35. Having no motion, the Board took no action on this item. The request for waivers was not approved.

35. Action on the waiver requests from two school districts to operate school districts for less than one hundred eighty (180) days as a result of flooding and severe weather beginning April 3, 2014
(Office of Educational Accountability)

36. On a motion by Mr. Richard Morrison, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved to contract with Michael D. Kent to perform administrative duties for the Deputy State Superintendent (copy attached).
(Office of State Superintendent)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

37. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Dr. John R. Kelly, the Board unanimously approved the following consent agenda items (copy attached).
- A. Approval of monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits
(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)
 - B. Approval of the Mississippi School of the Arts 2014-2015 Student Handbook
(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)
 - C. Approval of the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science 2014-2015 Student Handbook
(Office of Instructional Enhancement and Internal Operations)
 - D. Approval of a new school site for the Madison County School District
(Office of School Improvement, Oversight and Recovery)
 - E. Approval of a request from the Office of Career and Technical Education for New License Codes 914 (Career Pathway: Forestry), 916 (Keystone), 925 (Career Pathway: Food Products (Meats), 962 (Career Pathway: Sports Medicine), 963 (Career Pathway: Dental Assisting), and 993 (Career Pathway: Agriculture Power and Machinery) as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)
(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)
 - F. Approval of a request from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction for New License Codes 405 (Business Management) and 411 (Business Technology) as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development

(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)

(Office of Quality Professionals and Special Schools)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

38. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved the Memorandum of Agreement with Coahoma County Agricultural High School and the Mississippi Department of Education (copy attached). Dr. Carey M. Wright will appoint a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Administrator for Coahoma County Agricultural High School.
(Office of State Superintendent)

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Dr. John R. Kelly
Mr. Charles McClelland
Mr. Richard Morrison
Mr. Simon F. Weir, II

Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Mr. William H. Jones

VII. Recognition Ceremony

Race to the Top Winner

Clarksdale School District

Dennis Dupree, Sr., Superintendent

2014 March Employee of the Month

Faye Applewhite

Office of Compulsory School Attendance

School Attendance Officer

2014 April Employee of the Month

Shanika Grant

Office of Federal Programs

Accounting Specialist Senior

VIII. State Board of Education

01. There were no reports of meetings attended.

02. Dr. John R. Kelly requested to attend a meeting with USDE in Washington, D.C.

On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously approved for Dr. John R. Kelly to attend a meeting with USDE in Washington, D.C.

03. Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman moved to nominate Dr. John R. Kelly to serve as Board Vice-Chairman from April 18, 2014 to July 18, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland and approved on the following roll-call vote:

Members voting <u>aye</u> :	Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman Dr. John R. Kelly Mr. Charles McClelland Mr. Richard Morrison Mr. Simon F. Weir, II
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Members voting <u>no</u> :	None
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Members absent:	Ms. Kami Bumgarner Mr. William H. Jones
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IX. There was no other business.

Dr. Gann announced that the May Board meeting is scheduled for May 15-16, 2014.

X. On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Mr. Richard Morrison, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 a.m.

Members voting <u>aye</u> :	Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman Dr. John R. Kelly Mr. Charles McClelland Mr. Richard Morrison Mr. Simon F. Weir, II
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Members voting no: None

Members absent: Ms. Kami Bumgarner
 Mr. William H. Jones

Approved:



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



Dr. Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education