# Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

### June 18, 2015

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a work session at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2015, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Ms. Kami Bumgarner, Dr. Karen J. Elam, Mr. Johnny Franklin, Dr. O. Wayne Gann, and Dr. John R. Kelly. Board members absent were: Mr. William H. Jones, Mr. Charles McClelland, and Mr. Richard Morrison.

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

- 01. Dr. Carey M. Wright gave the following report as the State Superintendent of Education:
  - Dr. Wright stated that the Department has launched the online public comment forum for the Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards on June 15, 2015. The review period will remain open until September 15, 2015. A team of Mississippi educators, content specialists in Math and English Language Arts, and higher education representatives will review the comments and recommendations will be brought to the Board for your consideration in December. Any adjustments you approve would be effective in the 2016-2017 school year.
  - Dr. Wright stated the information about how parents of children with disabilities can apply for an Education Scholarship Account (ESA) to pay for a private education provider. The Department will start accepting application for ESAs on July 1, 2015, the day the law goes into effect. The initial application window is set for July 1-10, 2015 to ensure parents are notified of their application status before school starts in August. Dr. Wright stated there are videos on the Department web page to answer questions for parents.
  - Dr. Wright stated she had three recent speaking engagements: the annual Making Connections Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi, the Gulfport Rotary Club in Gulfport, Mississippi, and the Greenwood Voters League in Greenwood, Mississippi.
  - Dr. Wright stated she attended the last Superintendents Academy and spoke with the Cohort of superintendents who stated the academy had been very beneficial and they hoped it would continue. Dr. Wright stated that the Legislature funded the Superintendents Academy for the next year.
  - Dr. Wright stated the Achievement School District Task Force has met and will continue to meet through the fall and will bring a recommendation to the Board at the December Board meeting. An Achievement School District is set up to improve student performance in low performing districts by combining low performing districts into one district.

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- Dr. Wright stated the Spotlight this month is the 2015 Parent of the Year, Ms. Sissy Lynn from Madison County School District. Ms. Lynn has two students in the Madison County School District. She was chosen as Parent of the Year at the Highland Elementary School in the Ridgeland Zone of Madison County. The Principal of Highland Elementary School is Ms. Paula Tharp and the Superintendent of Madison County School District is Dr. Ronnie McGehee. Ms. Lynn is from Congressional District 2.
- 02. Mr. Johnny Franklin a member of the Finance Subcommittee reported the subcommittee met prior to today's work session to discuss the new process of the input from the program offices for the FY17 budget requests. He stated this would be a good tool for the Department to use in the budget process.

Dr. O. Wayne Gann, Chair, of the Academic Achievement Pre-K-12 Subcommittee met on Wednesday to discuss some of the items that will be brought before the Board for approval today.

- 03. Dr. Carey M. Wright discussed revising State Board Policy 1404 Meetings. Dr. Wright referenced the proposed dates for the FY16 Board meetings. Dr. Wright recommended approval on Friday.
- 04. Mr. Pat Ross and Dr. Bill Welch discussed initiating the process to reconstitute Claiborne County School District that is in conservatorship and approve the resolution from the State Board of Education by finding that satisfactory corrective action has taken place and by requesting that the Governor declare that the emergency no longer exists in the district [Goal 2 MDE Strategic Plan].

Mr. Ross stated pursuant to Section 37-17-6 (12)(d) of the Mississippi Code, at the time that satisfactory corrective action has been taken in a school district in which a state of emergency has been declared, the State Board of Education may request the Governor to declare that the state of emergency no longer exists in the district. Mr. Ross stated pursuant to Section 37-17-13 (3) of the Mississippi Code, after a school district is abolished under this section, at such time as the State Board of Education determines that the impairments have been substantially corrected, the State Board of Education shall reconstitute, reorganize, change or alter the boundaries of the previously existing district. The State Board of Education in appropriate cases shall notify the appropriate governing authority or authorities of its action and request them to provide for the election or appointment of school board members in the manner provided by law.

The Board discussed returning the district back to local control. Mr. Ross recommended approval on Friday.

05. Mr. Ross and Dr. Welch discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish State Board Policy 4013 – Restraint and Seclusion [Goal 4

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– MDE Strategic Plan]. The Board discussed the policy presented and Mr. Ross recommended approval on Friday.

- 06. Mr. Ross and Dr. Welch discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 6200 Qualified Zone Academy Bonds [Goal 2 MDE Strategic Plan]. The Board discussed Qualified Zone Academy Bonds and Mr. Ross recommended approval on Friday.
- 07. Mr. Ross and Dr. Paula Vanderford disused revising Process Standard 20 Instructional Management System of the Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2014 [Goals 2 and 4 – MDE Strategic Plan]. The item has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments that were presented to the Board. After discussion it was decided to remand the item back to the Office of Accreditation for further review.
- 08. Dr. Kim Benton and Mr. Walt Drane discussed awarding a discretionary grant to the Research and Curriculum Unit at Mississippi State University to enhance the statewide system of support and coordinated services to local school districts [Goals 1 and 2 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- 09. Dr. Benton and Mr. Drane discussed contracting with American Institutes for Research to administer Online Alternate Assessments for English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science [Goal 1 - MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- 10. Dr. Benton and Mr. Drane discussed contracting with CTB/McGraw-Hill, LLC to administer the English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT) to assess the level of proficiency in Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing [Goal 1 MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- Dr. Benton and Mr. Nathan Oakley discussed the public reporting format, as required by the *Literacy-Based Promotion Act of 2013* [Goal 1 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Mr. Oakley presented a PowerPoint of how the public reporting format will look and described each section (PowerPoint attached). Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- Dr. Benton and Ms. Jean Massey discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 2905 – Credit Recovery Policy [Goals 1 and 2 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- 13. [PULLED]

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- Mr. Todd Ivey and Dr. Cerissa Neal discussed the educator preparation programs as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Mr. Ivey discussed approval on Friday.
- Mr. Ivey and Dr. Neal discussed the Annual Educator Preparation Program (EPP) Reports for Mississippi Institutes of Higher Learning [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan]. The Board discussed the programs being approved. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.
- 16. Mr. Ivey and Dr. Neal discussed the critical shortage subject areas and geographical regions for the following programs: Federal Stafford Program, Federal Perkins Loan, Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program, Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program, and the William Winter Teacher Scholar Loan Program [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan].

Dr. Neal stated that annually the State Board of Education designates critical shortage subject areas and geographical regions. These designations enable participants to receive loan forgiveness or pay back service in designated shortage areas under the Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program and the William Winter Teacher Scholarship. The designations enable participants to quality for deferment of loan repayments under the Federal Stafford Program, to qualify for loan cancellation under the Federal Perkins Loan, reduces recipients teaching obligation under the Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program and enables recipients to fulfill their teaching obligation under the TEACH Grant Program. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

- Mr. Ivey and Dr. Neal discussed the school districts with need for administrators to participate in the Mississippi School Administrator Sabbatical Program [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.
- Mr. Ivey discussed the reports which contain student, fiscal, and personnel data subject to State Board of Education policy on withholding Mississippi Adequate Education Program Funds for the 2015-2016 School Year (State Board Policy – 4904) [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.
- 19. Mr. Ivey discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To amend State Board Policy 4904 Withholding Adequate Education Program

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Funds [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.

- Mr. Ivey and Dr. Neal discussed the reassignment of current commission member of the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Mr. Ivey recommended approval on Friday.
- 21. Dr. Benton and Ms. Massey discussed establishing the Golden Triangle Early College High School as Mississippi's first Early College High School [Goals 1 and 2 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton introduced Dr. Julie Jordan and Ms. Myra Pannell from the Research & Curriculum Unit (RCU) at Mississippi State University who have worked with MDE on the establishment of the Golden Triangle Early College High School and Ms. Jill Savley who will be the Principal if approved by the Board. Ms. Massey presented a PowerPoint on the pilot project from the beginning to now. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- 22. Dr. Benton and Ms. Massey discussed awarding a discretionary Educator in Residence grant to Lowndes County School District for the Golden Triangle Early College High School principal [Goals 1, 2, and 4 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- 23. Dr. Benton and Ms. Massey discussed beginning the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish the administrative rules and regulations for Districts and School of Innovation [Goals 1 and 2 – MDE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval on Friday.
- 24. Dr. Kelly gave the Board an opportunity to discuss the following consent agenda items. The Board requested to discuss item N.
  - A. Monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits (Todd Ivey)
  - B. Renew competitive contracts to various food and non-food distributors to supply and deliver products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Seven Regions in the State) (Todd Ivey)
  - C. Statewide Child Nutrition Purchasing Program's FY16 Financial Statement and FY16 Fee Structure (Todd Ivey)

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- D. Renew competitive contracts to milk and ice cream distributors to supply and deliver products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Seven Regions in the State) (Todd Ivey)
- E. Educator certification licensure requirements as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development (Todd Ivey)
- F. Contract with Doc Imaging to provide consultative services to transfer educator licensure credentials from microfiche to 300 DPI searchable images (Todd Ivey)
- G. Modify grant awards for the Teacher Incentive (TIF) Grant (Todd Ivey)
- H. Renew grant to the University of Mississippi for the Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program (subject to the availability of funds) (Todd Ivey)
- I. Appointments to the Commission on School Accreditation (Pat Ross)
- J. Establish Process Standard 32 Youth Detention Centers of the Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2014 [Goals 2 and 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (Pat Ross) (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comments)
- K. Consolidation of Oktibbeha County School District and the Starkville School District as mandated by Mississippi Code Section 37-7-104.3 along with the transfer of all real and personal property of the former Oktibbeha County School District and the former Starkville School District into the newly reorganized Starkville-Oktibbeha Consolidated School District with an effective date of July 1, 2015 (Pat Ross)
- L. Consolidation of West Point School District and the Clay County School District as mandated by Mississippi Code Section 37-7-104.2 along with the transfer of all real and personal property of the former West Point School District and the former Clay County School District into the newly reorganized West Point Consolidated School District with an effective date of July 1, 2015 (Pat Ross)
- M. [PULLED]
- N. Modify grant awards for FY 16 in support of local improvement efforts in current School Improvement Grant (SIG) schools as authorized under

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Section 1003(g) of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965* (Pat Ross)

- O. Establish the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish the *Mississippi Early Learning Guidelines* (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comment) (Kim Benton)
- P. Memorandum of Agreement between the Mississippi Department of Education and the Mississippi Community College Board for the operation of Post-Secondary Career and Technical Education programs (Kim Benton)
- Q. Contract with Dungan Consulting, Inc., to provide consultative services as a Federal Programs monitor (Kim Benton)
- R. Contract with Hamilton Educational Services, LLC to provide consultative services as a Federal Programs monitor (Kim Benton)
- S. Award discretionary grants to school districts for the purpose of contracting with Educators in Residence (EIR) to provide technical assistance and training (Kim Benton)
- T. Mississippi Schools for the Blind and the Deaf Wellness Plan (Kim Benton)
- U. Contract with Valley Services, Inc. for the provision of food service management services at the Mississippi Schools for the Blind and the Deaf (Kim Benton)
- V. Brookhaven School District Interlocal Agreement to provide instructional services for the Mississippi School of the Arts during the 2015-2016 school year (Kim Benton)
- W. Grant to Mississippi University for Women to operate the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science for the 2015-2016 school year (Kim Benton)
- X. Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science 2015-2016 Student Handbook (Kim Benton)
- 25. Executive Session

Mr. Johnny Franklin moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session with respect to personnel issues in accordance

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with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k). The motion was seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, and the motion passed on a vote of 5 to 0.

Mr. Johnny Franklin, then moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of discrete personnel matters related to the job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k) and transaction of business related thereto. Dr. Karen J. Elam seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5 to 0.

Dr. Kelly stated the following to remain in the Executive Session: Dr. Carey M. Wright, Executive Leadership Team, Ms. Raina Lee, Ms. Heather Deaton, Ms. Erin Meyer, and Ms. Beebe Garrard. Ms. Lee informed the public of the Board's vote to go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons.

# Minutes of the Executive Session

The Board discussed the discrete personnel matters related to the job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education in accordance with Mississippi Code Sections 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k) and transaction of business related thereto.

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

- 1. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board approved on a 5 to 0 vote to appoint Dr. J. P. Beaudoin as Deputy State Superintendent to serve as the Chief of the Office of Student Assessment and Accountability at a salary of \$158,000.00.
- 2. On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, the Board approved on a 5 to 0 vote to appoint Ms. Marion Jones as Education Bureau Manager to serve as the Director of Student Assessment Support Services in the Office of Student Assessment at a salary of \$91,560.00.
- 3. On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board approved on a 5 to 0 vote to appoint Mr. Thomas Walton Drane, Jr. as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of Assessment Operations and Test Security in the Office of Student Assessment at a salary of \$84,000.00.
- 4. On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, the Board approved on a 5 to 0 vote to appoint Ms. Melanie Diggs as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of Finance in the Office of Federal Programs at a salary of \$84,000.00.

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- 5. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board approved on a 5 to 0 vote to appoint Ms. Jessica McMahon as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction at the School for the Deaf at a salary of \$71,960.28.
- 6. On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elman, seconded by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, the Board approved on a 5 to 0 vote to appoint Dr. Leigh Warren as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of the Mississippi Assistance Center for Hearing Loss at the Mississippi School for the Deaf at a salary of \$71,960.28.

On a motion by Mr. Johnny Franklin, seconded by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, the motion passed on a vote 5 to 0 to come out of Executive Session.

The public returned to the meeting.

Dr. Kelly stated:

 The Board took action on six items and they will be reported to the Board on Friday.

On a motion by Mr. Johnny Franklin, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Approved:

John R. Kelly, Chair Mississippi Board of Education

Carey M. Wright Executive Secretary Mississippi Board of Education

### Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

#### June 19, 2015

The regular meeting of the Mississippi Board of Education was held at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, June 19, 2015, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom of the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Ms. Kami Bumgarner, Dr. Karen J. Elam, Mr. Johnny Franklin, Dr. O. Wayne Gann, and Dr. John R. Kelly. Board members absent were: Mr. William H. Jones, Mr. Richard Morrison, and Mr. Charles McClelland.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Dr. John R. Kelly, Chair. Dr. Kelly noted the statement on the agenda that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the Board meeting.
- II. Ms. Kami Bumgarner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Dr. O. Wayne Gann gave the Invocation.
- III. On a motion by Mr. Johnny Franklin, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board approved the minutes of May 21, 2015 Board meeting.
- IV. Dr. Kelly stated Item 07 had been removed from the agenda.

On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as amended.

V. Report of the Chair

Dr. Kelly stated the Board voted yesterday in Executive Session on the following items:

- 1. Approve the appointment of Dr. J. P. Beaudoin as Deputy State Superintendent to serve as the Chief of the Office of Student Assessment and Accountability.
- 2. Approve the appointment of Ms. Marion Jones as Education Bureau Manager to serve as the Director of Student Assessment Support Services in the Office of Student Assessment.
- 3. Approve the appointment of Mr. Thomas Walton Drane, Jr. as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of Assessment Operations and Test Security in the Office of Student Assessment.

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- 4. Approve the appointment of Ms. Melanie Diggs as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of Finance in the Office of Federal Programs.
- 5. Approve the appointment of Ms. Jessica McMahon as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction at the School for the Deaf.
- 6. Approve the appointment of Dr. Leigh Warren as Education Bureau Director II to serve as the Director of the Mississippi Assistance Center for Hearing Loss at the Mississippi School for the Deaf.
- VI. Approval of Action Items (Items below are numbered to correspond to the items as discussed on Thursday, June 18, 2015.)
- On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved to revise State Board Policy 1404 – Meetings (copy attached).
   (Office of State Superintendent)
- 04. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board unanimously approved to initiate the process to reconstitute Claiborne County School District, currently in conservatorship, specifically, approving the following:
  - A. Approval of determination and the Resolution by the Mississippi Board of Education that the impairments have been substantially corrected in the Claiborne County School District and
  - B. Approval of the request to the Governor to dissolve and lift the emergency declaration for the Claiborne County School District [Goal 2 MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).

## (Office of Chief School Performance Officer)

05. On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish State Board Policy 4013 – Restraint and Seclusion [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
 (Office of Chief School Performance Officer)

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- On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 6200 – Qualified Zone Academy Bonds [Goal 2 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
   (Office of Chief School Performance Officer)
- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to award a discretionary grant to the Research and Curriculum Unit at Mississippi State University to enhance the statewide system of support and coordinated services to local school districts [Goals 1 and 2 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
   (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- 09. On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to contract with American Institutes for Research to administer Online Alternate Assessments for English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science [Goal 1 - MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached). (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to contract with CTB/McGraw-Hill LLC to administer the English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT) to assess the level of proficiency in Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing [Goal 1 - MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
   (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved the public reporting format, as required by the *Literacy-Based Promotion Act of 2013* [Goal 1 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
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- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Ms. Kami Bumgarner, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy 2905 – Credit Recovery Policy [Goals 1 and 2 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
   (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- 14. On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the educator preparation programs as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).

(Office of Chief Operations Officer)

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 On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the Annual Educator Preparation Program (EPP) Reports for Mississippi Institutes of Higher Learning [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).

# (Office of Chief Operations Officer)

- 16. On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the critical shortage subject areas and geographical regions for the following programs: Federal Stafford Program, Federal Perkins Loan, Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program, Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program, and the William Winter Teacher Scholar Loan Program [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached). (Office of Chief Operations Officer)
- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the school districts with need for administrators to participate in the Mississippi School Administrator Sabbatical Program [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached). (Office of Chief Operations Officer)
- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the reports which contain student, fiscal and personnel data subject to State Board of Education policy on withholding Mississippi Adequate Education Program Funds for the 2015-2016 School Year (State Board Policy – 4904) [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).

# (Office of Chief Operations Officer)

- 19. On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To amend State Board Policy 4904 – Withholding Mississippi Adequate Education Program Funds [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
   (Office of Chief Operations Officer)
- On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously approved the reassignment of Ms. Pamela Manners on the Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development [Goal 4 – MDE Strategic Plan] (copy attached).
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   (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- 24. On a motion by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board unanimously approved the following consent items: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, and X (copy attached).
  - A. Monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits (Office of Chief Operations Officer)
  - B. Renew competitive contracts to various food and non-food distributors to supply and deliver products to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Seven Regions in the State)
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M. [PULLED]

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- N. Modify grant awards for FY 16 in support of local improvement efforts in current School Improvement Grant (SIG) schools as authorized under Section 1003(g) of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965* (Office of Chief School Performance Officer)
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- W. Grant to Mississippi University for Women to operate the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science for the 2015-2016 school year (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- X. Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science 2015-2016 Student Handbook (Office of Chief Academic Officer)
- VII. Recognition Ceremony

**2015 U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon School District** Oxford School District Brian Harvey, Superintendent

**2015 Mississippi School for the Deaf Award Winning Athlete** Shanekia Coleman Sandra E. Edwards, Superintendent

### 2015 May Employee of the Month

Valecia Davis Educ-Special Education Program Coordinator Office of Special Education

#### 2015 June Employee of the Month

Mona Spells-Adou Educ-Special Education Program Coordinator Office of Special Education

Dr. O. Wayne Gann was recognized for serving on the State Board of Education for nine years. He was appointed to the Board by Lt. Governor Amy Tuck. Dr. Gann has over 50 years in education helping the boys and girls of Mississippi. Dr. Gann was shown videos with one from the Corinth community and the other from staff at the Mississippi Department of Education and students from the School for the Deaf and the School for the Blind. Dr. Kelly read a Resolution from the State Board thanking Dr. Gann for his service on the State Board and for his service to all children in Mississippi (copy attached).

#### VIII. State Board of Education

01. Dr. Karen J. Elam reported that she and Mr. Richard Morrison attended the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. She attended several of the sessions.

Dr. Elam presented at the Principal Corps at the University of Mississippi.

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Dr. Kelly reported that NASBE provided training to the State Board of Education on data privacy training. Dr. Kelly asked Dr. Karen J. Elam to champion this initiative for the Board and she accepted.

- 02. There was no request to attend a meeting.
- 03. On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, the Board unanimously approved the meeting dates for Fiscal Year 2016 (copy attached).
- IX. Other Business

Dr. John R. Kelly stated the July Board meeting will be held in conjunction with the Mississippi Association of School Superintendents (MASS) Conference on Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Beau Rivage, Azalea A Meeting Room in Biloxi, Mississippi.

X. Adjournment

On a motion by Dr. O. Wayne Gann, seconded by Mr. Johnny Franklin, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Approved:

John R. Kelly, Chair Mississippi Board of Education

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