

Missouri State Board of Education

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION February 21, 2012

The Missouri State Board of Education met on February 21, 2012, in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Present: Peter Herschend, Branson, President
Rev. Stan Archie, Kansas City, Vice President
Deborah Demien, Wentzville, Member
Michael Jones, St. Louis, Member
Sybl Slaughter, Lebanon, Member
Russell Still, Columbia, Member
Chris L. Nicasastro, Commissioner of Education
Robin Barbour, Executive Assistant
Deputy Commissioner Ron Lankford
Assistant Commissioners Stephen Barr, Jeanne Loyd, Karla Eslinger, Sharon Hoge, Leigh Ann Grant Engle, Margie Vandeven and Kathy Thornburg; Mark Van Zandt, General Counsel; Michele Clark, Communications Coordinator; and Robin Coffman, Chief of Staff

Absent: Michael Ponder, Cape Girardeau, Member

No. 11829 President Herschend called the meeting of the Missouri State Board of
Call to Order
(02/21/2012) Education to order at 8:33 a.m. The meeting was held in the State Board of

Education meeting room on the first floor of the Jefferson State Office Building
in Jefferson City, Missouri.

No. 11830 It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Still, to approve the
Agenda agenda for the February 21, 2012 meeting of the State Board of Education, as

presented.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

No. 11831
Minutes
(02/21/2012)

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting of the State Board of Education as presented.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

No. 11832
President's
Report

President Herschend acknowledged that the excellent artwork hanging in the Board Room and the 6th floor offices was submitted by students from the Blue Springs R-IV School District, Moreland Ridge Middle School. The artwork is changed monthly and each teacher and student receives a thank you letter from the State Board of Education.

President Herschend announced that the dates of the 51st Cooperative Conference for School Administrators will be July 29-31, 2012, and will be held at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia.

Ms. Slaughter reported that she and President Herschend attended a gathering of local administrators in Springfield. Mr. Herschend explained to the group the specifics of House Bill 1174. Mr. Herschend also reported that meetings have been held in Kansas City and Cape Girardeau with economic leadership of the regions. On March 1 a similar meeting will also take place in St. Joseph.

Ms. Demien reported she attended an Education Policy Conference in St. Louis. The guest speaker was Dr. Ben Carson who is a neurosurgeon, author and speaker. An anonymous benefactor paid for 100 students from the St. Louis Public Schools to attend the dinner and also receive Dr. Carson's book. Dr. Carson also awards \$1000 scholarships to students each year.

Rev. Archie reported that he attended a meeting of the superintendents from the northwest part of the state.

No. 11833
NASBE
Report
(02/21/2012)

Rev. Archie reported that he attended the Board of Directors meeting on January 20-21 in Arlington, VA. He indicated that NASBE is transitioning leadership and making adjustments. They will still have the study groups and follow best practices for state boards of education.

Mike Jones reported that he also attended the meeting in Arlington as part of the Governmental Affairs Committee (GAC). The GAC will continue to focus on the reauthorization. They have also developed a subcommittee on rural and frontier education.

Rev. Archie reported that he will be attending NASBE's legislative conference, as well as the Board of Directors meeting, in March. He said he looks forward to spending some time on the Hill and discussions on the flexibility waiver. Mike Jones and Russ Still will also attend the legislative conference as well as meetings of the Governmental Affairs Committee (Jones) and the Technology Study Group (Still).

No. 11834
Closed Session

Ms. Slaughter moved that a closed session, with a closed record and closed vote, be held during the meeting of the State Board of Education on March 19-20, 2012, as posted by the Executive Assistant, to consider the following:

1. Legal actions, causes of action, litigation, or legal work product relating to the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, as well as any confidential or privileged communications between those entities and legal counsel;
2. Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of employees of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education;
3. Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment; and
4. Other records protected from disclosure by law.

No. 11835
Closed Session
(cont.)
(02/21/2012)

Motion was seconded by Rev. Archie and carried.

Vote: Yes Archie, Demien, Herschend, Jones,
Slaughter, Still

Following such affirmative vote, the vote of each Board member on the question of holding the closed meeting, closed record and closed vote and the statutory reason therefor was announced publicly by the Executive Assistant.

It was moved by Ms. Slaughter to direct the Executive Assistant to prepare, post, and make available to the news media notice of such closed meeting, closed record, and closed vote as required by law, and that a copy of such notice be filed with the minutes of the meeting which it announces.

Motion was seconded by Rev. Archie and carried.

No. 11836
Consent
Agenda

Ms. Slaughter requested that Items F. and G. be removed from the Consent Agenda and be addressed under the Licensure items.

It was moved by Ms. Slaughter, seconded by Rev. Archie, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Consideration of Personnel Report (Exhibit 1)

Consideration of Investment Transactions by Central Bank for Trust Funds (Exhibit 2)

Consideration of Approving Rule Changes and Compendium Updates for Educator Certification in Missouri (Exhibit 3)

Consideration of Sending Assignment to Area Career Centers-Bucklin School District (Exhibit 4)

Consideration of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to Amend 5 CSR 20-100.200, Relating to the A+ Schools Program (Exhibit 5)

Motion carried. (Yes: 5)

No. 11837
Consideration
of Adopting a
Resolution in
Honor of Eric
D. Cochran,
2011-2012
Missouri
Milken
Educator of the
Year
(02/21/2012)

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Still, to adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, Eric D. Cochran has been selected to receive a Milken Educator Award for 2011-2012 for his work to advance education in Missouri and inspire students to achieve academic success; and

Whereas, Mr. Cochran, a high school social studies teacher and department chair at Lindbergh High School in St. Louis, Mo., has been recognized as a superior teacher who builds strong relationships with students, parents, colleagues and community leaders; and

Whereas, Mr. Cochran has given countless hours and energy to the teaching profession and is committed to recruiting and nurturing future teachers, observing and mentoring new teachers, and contributing to a supportive and collaborative culture for veteran teachers; and

Whereas, Mr. Cochran sets high expectations for all students and helps them develop the cognitive skills they need to succeed, with many successfully completing higher level coursework, and

Whereas, during the eight years Mr. Cochran has taught Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. history, the number of students taking the rigorous AP assessment has grown by more than 200 percent, and more than 70 percent of those students have earned scores that qualify them for college credit at many colleges and universities; and

Whereas, Mr. Cochran's former students regularly return to his classroom to express their appreciation for the positive impact he has had on their lives; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri State Board of Education formally commends Eric D. Cochran on his selection as Missouri Milken Educator for 2011-2012 and extends its congratulations to Mr. Cochran, his students and Lindbergh High School; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board expresses its appreciation to Mr. Cochran for his exemplary service to his students, the Lindbergh Schools and public education in the State of Missouri.

Motion carried. (Yes: 5) (Exhibit 6)

No. 11838 Board Member Mike Ponder joined the meeting by conference call for
Elementary the discussion and vote of this item. It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by
and Secondary Mr. Still, to approve the continued refinement and editing of the ESEA
Education Act Flexibility request and to authorize the Commissioner to submit to the U.S.
(ESEA)/NCLB Flexibility Department of Education on or before the February 28, 2012 deadline.
Waiver
(02/21/2012)

Motion carried. (Yes: 7) (Exhibit 7)

No. 11839 It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to authorize
Consideration Crossroads Academy of Kansas City to commence operations pursuant to the
of Compliance of Charter charter granted by the University of Central Missouri for five (5) years,
School Proposal: effective the 2012-2013 school year.
Crossroads Academy of
Kansas City

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 8)

No. 11840 This matter came before the Board after Nicholas Hostler pled guilty
Consideration and received a suspended imposition of sentence to the felony, Possession of a
of a Request by Nicholas J. Hostler for Controlled Substance Except 35 Grams or Less of Marijuana, in the Circuit
Issuance of a Teaching Certificate Court of Greene County. It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Still , to
approve the application of Nicholas Hostler for a certificate of license to teach.
The motion failed to receive the required unanimous vote.

Motion failed. (Yes: 5; No: 1) (Exhibit 9)

No. 11841 This matter came before the Board after Joel W. Maxwell pled guilty to
Consideration the felony, Possession Controlled Substance, in the Circuit Court of Cook
of a Request for County, State of Illinois on October 22, 1984; and pled guilty to the felony,
Background Clearance by Possession Controlled Substance, in the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of
Joel W. Illinois on April 24, 1985; and pled guilty to the felony Possession Controlled
Maxwell Substance in the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois on May 22,
1990; and pled guilty to the felony, Possession Controlled Substance, W/INT in

No. 11841
Consideration
of a Request
for
Background
Clearance by
Joel W.
Maxwell
(02/21/2012)
(cont.)

the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois on July 19, 1990. It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the request for a background clearance to Joel. W. Maxwell.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 10)

No. 11842
Consideration
to Discipline
the License to
Teach of
Zachary
Adams

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to revoke Zachary Adams' certificate of license to teach.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 11)

No. 11843
Consideration
to Discipline
the License to
Teach of Ryan
Bilby

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to revoke Ryan Bilby's certificate of license to teach.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 12)

No. 11844
Reports

The following reports were presented to the State Board of Education on February 21, 2012:

Development of the Missouri Standards for Professional Educator Training Programs and the Educator Preparation Program Annual Performance Report

Tyler Technologies Student Information System (SIS) Demonstration

Report on the MSIP 5 Scoring Guide

Update on Governmental Affairs

Update on School Improvement Grant (SIG) Schools: Caruthersville, Hayti, and Riverview Gardens

Agenda Items for Two Months in Advance of Current Meeting

No. 11845
Adjournment
(02/21/2012)

The meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m. on February 21, 2012. The next meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on March 19-20, 2012, in Jefferson City, Missouri.

President

Executive Assistant