

# Missouri State Board of Education

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION September 19-20, 2011

The Missouri State Board of Education met on September 19-20, 2011, 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  
Michael Ponder, Cape Girardeau, Member (Monday only)  
Sybl Slaughter, Lebanon, Member  
Russell Still, Columbia, Member  
Chris L. Nicastro, Commissioner of Education  
Robin Barbour, Executive Assistant  
Deputy Commissioner Ron Lankford  
Assistant Commissioners Stephen Barr, Leigh Ann Grant  
Engle, Jeanne Loyd, Karla Eslinger, Sharon Hoge, Margie  
Vandeven and Kathy Thornburg; Mark Van Zandt, General  
Counsel; Michele Clark, Communications Coordinator; and  
Robin Coffman, Chief of Staff

No. 11763                      President Herschend called the meeting of the Missouri State Board of  
Call to Order  
(09/19/2011)                      Education to order at 1:49 p.m. He indicated that Monday's portion of the  
  
meeting would be a work study session on open enrollment. The meeting was  
  
held in the Room 450 of the Governor's Office Building in Jefferson City.

No. 11764                      Alice Seagren, independent consultant, presented background  
Work Study  
Session-Open                      information to the State Board on open enrollment including when open  
Enrollment                      enrollment was first proposed and the latest research after many years of  
  
implementation from a national perspective. Dr. Seagren is the former

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Work Study  
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Commissioner of Education for Minnesota and also served 12 years in the Minnesota state legislature. Minnesota has had open enrollment for a number of years. (Exhibit 1)

No. 11765  
Agenda

The September 20 regular business meeting was held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in the Capitol Room and was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

President Herschend announced that Item H, Update on Race to the Top-Early Learning Challenge Grant, would be an action item. It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the agenda for the September 20, 2011 meeting of the State Board of Education, as amended.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

No. 11766  
Minutes

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Still, to approve the minutes of the August 15-16, 2011 meeting of the State Board of Education as presented.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

No. 11767  
President's  
Report

President Herschend reminded the Board of the lunch with the Executive Committee of Missouri School Boards' Association on September 30 at Tan-Tar-A in Osage Beach. The lunch will be followed by a panel discussion with local boards of education. Those indicating attendance were Stan Archie, Debi Demien and Russell Still.

President Herschend announced that Board members are invited to attend the Teacher of the Year Banquet scheduled for on October 26 which will honor Kristen Merrell and the other finalists.

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President's  
Report (cont.)  
(09/20/2011)

Ms. Slaughter reported on a \$2 million grant that had been awarded to St. Louis University to help schools in poverty in the St. Louis area. She also reported that Bolivar School District had recently received a grant to offer after school programs for students.

No. 11768  
NASBE  
Report

Rev. Archie reported that he will be attending the National Association of State Boards of Education annual meeting which will take place in Atlanta, Georgia on October 13-15. He expressed his appreciation of the Board's support of his bid for re-election as central area director. The election is scheduled for October 13. Mr. Jones will also attend the meeting in Atlanta.

No. 11769  
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 October 18, 2011, 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.

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

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Closed Session  
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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. 11770  
Consent  
Agenda

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

Consideration of Personnel Report (Exhibit 2)

Consideration of Appointments to the Missouri Advisory Council of Certification of Educators (MACCE) (Exhibit 3)

Consideration of the Approval of the Early Learning Program Standards (Exhibit 4)

Consideration of the Approval of the School Readiness Definition (Exhibit 5)

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

No. 11771  
Update on  
Race to the  
Top-Early  
Learning  
Challenge  
Grant

After a report by Assistant Commissioner Kathy Thornburg and General Counsel Mark Van Zandt, the Board discussed the issues surrounding the Early Learning Challenge Grant. It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Still, authorize the Department to proceed with the Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge Grant.

It was further moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Still, to direct the Department to prepare a thorough and detailed response to the Missouri legislature outlining the overall rationale to support the application for the grant. President Herschend asked for a roll call vote.

No. 11771  
Update on  
Race to the  
Top-Early  
Learning  
Challenge  
Grant (cont)  
(09/20/2011)

Vote: Yes: Archie, Herschend, Jones, Slaughter,  
Still, Ponder (by proxy)  
No: Demien

Motion carried. (Exhibit 6)

No. 11772  
Consideration  
of Classifying  
School  
Districts Under  
the Missouri  
School  
Improvement  
Program

It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Still, to classify the  
following districts as accredited under the Missouri School Improvement  
Program: Cowgill R-VI, Gasconade C-4, Pemiscot Co. R-III, Marquand Zion  
R-VI, New Bloomfield R-III, Oregon Howell R-III, Sheldon R-VIII and Stet R-  
XV.

Motion carried. (Yes: 5)

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Still, to classify  
Charleston R-I as accredited under the Missouri School Improvement Program.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

It was moved by Ms. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Jones, to classify the  
following school districts as provisional under the Missouri School  
Improvement Program: Swedeborg R-III and Calhoun R-VIII.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Rev. Archie, to hold the  
classification determination of the following districts under the Missouri School  
Improvement Program: Climax Springs R-IV, Hickman Mills C-1, Scott Co.  
Central, University City and Winfield R-IV.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Still, to hold the

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of Classifying  
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Districts Under  
the Missouri  
School  
Improvement  
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classification determination of the Normandy School District under the  
Missouri School Improvement Program.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

It was moved by Ms. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Jones, to classify the  
Kansas City 33 School District as unaccredited, effective January 1, 2012,  
under the Missouri School Improvement Program.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

(Exhibit 7)

No. 11773  
Consideration  
of Approving  
Professional  
Education  
Programs for  
University of  
Missouri-  
Columbia

It was moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to grant  
approval to the University of Missouri-Columbia to offer forty-three (43)  
professional education programs with the understanding that the revision of the  
Missouri Standards for Teacher Education Programs (MoSTEP) will establish a  
new approval process and timeline. Upon approval of the new MoSTEP  
Standards by the Board, all educator preparation programs will need to address  
and respond to the new standards.

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

No. 11774  
Consideration  
of Adoption of  
the Fiscal Year  
2013 Budget  
Request

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the  
Fiscal Year 2013 budget request as presented.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 9)

No. 11775  
Consideration  
to Discipline  
the License to  
Teach of Kevin  
Hill

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

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

No. 11776  
Consideration  
to Discipline  
the License to  
Teach of Mae  
Smith  
(09/20/2011)

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Jones, to take no action against Mae Smith's certificate of license to teach and dismiss the charges in this matter.

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

No. 11777  
Reports

The following reports were presented to the State Board of Education on September 20, 2011:

Report on CHARACTERplus

Report on Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) Results: Grade Level Exams and End-of-Course (EOC) Exams

Governmental Affairs Update

Report on Early Childhood Assessment System

Standards Development and Implementation

Two-Months in Advance of Current Meeting

No. 11778  
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m. on September 20, 2011. The next meeting of the State Board of Education will be held October 18, 2011, at Jefferson City, Missouri.

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President

Executive Assistant