

## Tennessee State Textbook Commission Meeting Minutes

Hardison Hall  
1252 Foster Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee 37210  
October 7, 2013  
10:15 AM

Commission Member	Present	Commission Member	Present
Dr. Brian Tate, Chairman		Mr. Lewis Moorner	X
Mr. Kevin Huffman, Secretary		Dr. Jason Robinson	X
Mr. Bobby Cox	X	Ms. Edith Williams	
Dr. Craig Hammond	X	Teacher 4-8 Vacant	
Mr. Dan Lawson	X	Lay Citizen West - Vacant	

### Minutes

I. **Opening remarks**

Acting Chairman Dr. Craig Hammond

II. **Roll Call**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption, Tennessee Department of Education (TDOE)

III. **Introduction of Tennessee Department of Education staff members present**

Emily Barton, Assistant Commissioner of Curriculum and Instruction, TDOE

IV. **Approval of Minutes for June and September**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption, Tennessee Department of Education (TDOE)

**Action:** Motion to approve minutes from June and September.

**First Motion:** Mr. Dan Lawson

**Second Motion:** Mr. Lewis Moorner

**Final Action:** Approved

**Textbook Commission Votes:** Motion passes, no roll call

- V. **Official List for Cycle IV – Social Studies K-12: Review of Selection Process**  
Tammy Shelton, Executive Director of Content and Resources, TDOE
- VI. **Official List for Cycle IV – Social Studies K-12: Comments by Commission Members**
- Mr. Dan Lawson
  - Mr. Lewis Moorer
- VII. **Official List for Cycle IV – Social Studies K-12: Comments by the public and publishers**
- Lisa Moore, Rutherford County
  - Julie West, President of Parents for Truth in Education
  - Laurie Cardoza-Moore, President of Proclaiming Justice to the Nation & Special Envoy to Middle Eastern Affairs for the World Council of Independent Christian Churches
  - Barbara Sturgeon, Franklin County
  - Harold Rounds, Fayette County
- VIII. **Official List for Cycle IV – Social Studies K-12: Approval of Social Studies List**  
Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption
- Action:** Chairman called for a motion. No action taken due to lack of motion.
- IX. **Materials for Cycle I- Mathematics: Proposed Adoption Timeline**  
Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption
- X. **Action:** Motion to approve Materials for Cycle I- Mathematics: Proposed Adoption Timeline  
**First Motion:** Dr. Craig Hammond  
**Second Motion:** Mr. Bobby Cox  
**Final Action:** Motion approved.  
**Textbook Commission Votes:**

Commission Member	Vote*	Commission Member	Vote
Dr. Brian Tate, Chairman		Mr. Lewis Moorer	Y
Mr. Kevin Huffman, Secretary		Dr. Jason Robinson	Y
Mr. Bobby Cox	Y	Ms. Edith Williams	
Dr. Craig Hammond	Y	Teacher 4-8 Vacant	
Mr. Dan Lawson	Y	Lay Citizen West - Vacant	

\*Y – Yes; N – No; PNV - Present not voting

XI. **Materials for Cycle I- Mathematics: Intent to Bid Package**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

XII. **Action:** Motion to approve Materials for Cycle I- Mathematics: Intent to Bid Package

**First Motion:** Dr. Craig Hammond

**Second Motion:** Mr. Bobby Cox

**Final Action:** Motion approved.

**Textbook Commission Votes:**

Commission Member	Vote*	Commission Member	Vote
Dr. Brian Tate, Chairman		Mr. Lewis Moorner	Y
Mr. Kevin Huffman, Secretary		Dr. Jason Robinson	Y
Mr. Bobby Cox	Y	Ms. Edith Williams	
Dr. Craig Hammond	Y	Teacher 4-8 Vacant	
Mr. Dan Lawson	Y	Lay Citizen West - Vacant	

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XIII. **Materials for Cycle I- Mathematics: Invitation to Bid Package**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

**Action:** invitation was amended to study the possibility of system developed materials as part of the adoption process. Ms. Barton said that the department would do so and also access the impact on the budget for the process.

**First Motion:** Dr. Craig Hammond

**Second Motion:** Mr. Bobby Cox

**Final Action:** Motion as amended was approved.

**Textbook Commission Votes:**

Commission Member	Vote*	Commission Member	Vote
Dr. Brian Tate, Chairman		Mr. Lewis Moorner	Y
Mr. Kevin Huffman, Secretary		Dr. Jason Robinson	Y
Mr. Bobby Cox	Y	Ms. Edith Williams	

Dr. Craig Hammond	Y	Teacher 4-8 Vacant	
Mr. Dan Lawson	Y	Lay Citizen West - Vacant	

\*Y – Yes; N – No; PNV - Present not voting

**XIV. Substitution of Books Currently on Contract Package**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

**Action:** Motion to approve Substitution of Books Currently on Contract Package

**First Motion:** Dr. Craig Hammond

**Second Motion:** Mr. Lewis Moorer

**Final Action:** Motion approved.

**Textbook Commission Votes:**

Commission Member	Vote*	Commission Member	Vote
Dr. Brian Tate, Chairman		Mr. Lewis Moorer	Y
Mr. Kevin Huffman, Secretary		Dr. Jason Robinson	Y
Mr. Bobby Cox	Y	Ms. Edith Williams	
Dr. Craig Hammond	Y	Teacher 4-8 Vacant	
Mr. Dan Lawson	Y	Lay Citizen West - Vacant	

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Updates and Future Information:

**XV. Proposed November meeting (November 18)**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

- Commission will meet on November 18, 2013

**XVI. Submission of agenda items**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

**XVII. Resignation of Ms. Gina Johnson**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

**XVIII. Publisher Caravan**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

- Decision was made to wait and see on the caravan...we have until November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**XIX. Status of Bond Reduction change**

Morgan Branch, Director of Textbook Adoption

- The bond reduction policy is going to the state board meeting for second reading October 25.

Other Business from the Commission:

- XX. The commission was reminded of the need for a list of social studies textbooks prior to the October 25 state board meeting.

Dr. Craig Hammond, Acting Chair

- The commission requested that the department provide more information on the social studies textbooks. It was stated that the department would resend the public comments to them.
- The commission decided that it will meet again on Oct. 23, 2013.

**Adjourned**

Dr. Craig Hammond, Acting Chair