

MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
JULY 24, 2015

The State Board of Education met for its regular quarterly meeting in the Forum Room at East Tennessee State University (ETSU), Johnson City, Tennessee, at 9:00 a.m. EDT.

Present.....9

Absent..... 0

Ms. Allison Chancey
Mr. Fielding Rolston, Chairman
Mr. Mike Edwards
Ms. Lillian Hartgrove
Mr. Cato Johnson
Ms. Carolyn Pearre
Mr. Lonnie Roberts
Dr. William Troutt
Ms. Wendy Tucker

Chairman Rolston called the meeting to order and welcomed members of the audience. He expressed appreciation to the ETSU family for the great job that they did hosting the State Board of Education. He then introduced **Mrs. Louanna Rolston**, his daughter-in-law and a teacher at Johnson City Schools.

He also thanked the Directors of Schools in the First Tennessee District for sharing best practices at the workshop. **Chairman Rolston** urged the Directors of Schools to come back to the Board with areas where we need more resources or policy changes or things that the Board is doing that interferes with them getting their jobs done.

Chairman Rolston reported on several items that were covered at the workshop prior to the Board meeting. He stated **Commissioner McQueen** presented a report on student achievement results and said that Tennessee is making great strides in math and science but we are not seeing good progress in reading. He reported that minority and economically deprived students are making great strides but progress for special education or English language learners is lagging behind

Commissioner McQueen reported that Tennessee was awarded a waiver from the federal government for four years. This waiver allows Tennessee to pull out of some of the provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), also known as No Child Left Behind. We are one of seven states to be awarded the waiver for four years.

Chairman Rolston reported that a great deal of time was spent going over the charter school appeal process. He explained that the State Board has new responsibilities in that area and that the Board is fully up to date on the process.

He also reported on the results of a teacher survey that were very encouraging. About 60% of our teachers participated in the survey along with about the same percentage of principals. This survey indicated that teachers feel good about their job and the environments that they are working in. Another encouraging part of the survey indicated that teachers felt the evaluation systems were helping

in their ability to do their jobs. The retention rate of about 94% in the higher level teachers is also very encouraging.

He stated that the standards review process is coming along nicely and indicated that Debra Bentley from the Johnson City system is part of that process and her report on the enthusiasm of the participants is encouraging.

I. Consent Items

A. Adoption of Agenda

Chairman Rolston stated that two items were being removed from the agenda – Items **V.I.** and **V.J.** In both cases the Board felt like they needed additional information from the staff in order to make a decision.

B. Approval of Minutes from April 10, 2015 and June 9, 2015

ACTION: **Mr. Johnson** moved acceptance. **Vice Chair Pearre** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Action Items (First Reading)

A. State Board of Education Vision and Strategic Priorities

Dr. Sara Heyburn, Executive Director of the State Board of Education, presented this item. She stated the State Board of Education has embarked on a process to establish a vision statement and strategic priorities that will guide the State Board's future work. At the workshops for the April 2015 quarterly meeting and the June 2015 special called meeting, the State Board discussed and made changes to drafts of a vision statement and possible strategic priorities.

Based on these discussions, a vision statement and strategic priorities were identified, and in order to establish and formalize these key documents, they are presented to the State Board for approval on first reading.

Mr. Edwards suggested that we revisit our goals and our metrics so that when we're looking at it on second reading, we are looking at it in context of the most recent performance outcomes and set some realistic goals for the State to meet over the next few years and then determine what we need to obtain those goals.

Dr. Troutt asked if they would have the data by the October meeting. **Dr. Heyburn** responded that they would.

ACTION: **Mr. Edwards** moved acceptance on first reading. **Mr. Johnson** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

B. List of State Approved Textbooks – Section A

Dr. Tammy Shelton, Department of Education, presented this item. She distributed a handout which detailed the timeline of the textbook process and explained the areas that are new to the process.

Ms. Hartgrove asked if the list of textbooks were available online. **Dr. Shelton** responded that they are online.

Mr. Edwards said that one of the things that surprised him was that products that were offered digitally as well as hard copies were priced out of the market. He asked if the prices were coming down to be more competitive and asked how pricing entered into the process.

Dr. Shelton responded that when publishers submitted their Intent to Bid they list the prices and those prices are locked in. At the end of the process the State goes into a contract with the publishers and the prices are locked in for six years. The digital books listed now are comparable to the hard copies.

ACTION: **Mr. Edwards** moved acceptance on first reading. **Mr. Johnson** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. *Professional Assessments Policy 5.105*

Dr. Paul Fleming, Department of Education, presented this item. He stated this policy change simply adds the middle grades social studies Praxis to list of professional assessments, which was erroneously omitted from the prior item.

ACTION: **Vice Chair Pearre** moved acceptance on first reading. **Mr. Hartgrove** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Action Items (Final Reading)

A. *Learning Centered Leadership Policy 5.101*

Dr. Fleming presented this item and final reading of policy changes that allows applicants from other states to be issued an instructional leader license in Tennessee provided the applicants meet the set of stipulated criteria as outlined in the policy. He outlined the changes since first reading.

ACTION: **Mr. Johnson** moved approval. **Ms. Chancey** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

B. *Educator Licensure Policy 5.502*

Dr. Fleming presented this item. He stated that there were minor revisions to the policy governing educator licensure to offer greater clarity and additional information. The policy also includes a technical change to the occupational related employment standards section of the policy. He outlined the changes since first reading.

ACTION: **Ms. Hartgrove** moved approval. **Vice Chair Pearre** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. *Teacher Licensure, Emergency Rule 0520-02-03*

Ms. Angie Sanders, State Board of Education, presented this item and stated that this corrects a technical anomaly with the promulgation of a previously approved educator licensure rule (0520-02-03). In order to correct this technical anomaly and to ensure that the rule on teacher licensure is effective before the September 1st implementation date, this emergency rule ensures the rule language is in effect until the permanent rule can be promulgated.

Chairman Rolston stated that because of the timing issue and because this rule has been previously approved by the Board, he determined as Chairman that this only requires one reading.

ACTION: **Mr. Roberts** moved approval. **Mr. Johnson** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Rolston stated that without objection from members, he was designating **Dr. Heyburn**, Executive Director and **Ms. Sanders**, General Counsel, to act as officers of the State Board of Education, for the purpose of conducting the mandatory rulemaking hearing.

There was no objection.

D. *Professional Education Unit and Specialty Area Program Approvals*

Chairman Rolston said that with no objection action would only be taken on Milligan College and that Bethel University would be deferred because additional information would be gathered on that recommendation. **Dr. Fleming** presented the recommendation on Milligan College.

ACTION: **Ms. Chancey** moved approval. **Mr. Johnson** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

E. *Teacher and Principal Evaluation Policy 5.201*

Dr. Fleming presented this item. He stated that this is final reading of evaluation changes for the 2015-16 school year. If approved, districts will be able to opt in to a PreK-Kindergarten portfolio growth model. This change clarifies the student survey option and approves two new vendors. The change also updates the policy to reflect the Tennessee Teaching Evaluation Enhancement Act.

ACTION: **Mr. Johnson** moved approval. **Ms. Chancey** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

F. *Basic Education Program (BEP) Allocations for Fiscal Year 2015-16*

Mr. Stephen Smith, Department of Education, presented this item and listed the following information about the BEP allocations for FY 2015-16:

- Fund BEP instructional positions at a unit cost of \$42,065
- Provide 100% funding for at-risk students in grades K-12.
- Provide funding for English Language Learners at a ratio of one to thirty (1:30) for teachers and one to three hundred (1:300) for translators.
- Provide on average seventy percent (70%) of state funds for the instructional positions within the instructional component. Maintain a fifty percent (50%) reduction of the cost differential factor as originally adopted in fiscal year 2007-08.
- Maintain a fifty percent (50%) phase-in for equalization purposes of the ability of local jurisdictions to raise local revenues for education by measuring the ability to generate local revenues from property tax and local option sales tax. This phase-in ensures that no LEA's measurement of ability to raise local revenue is adjusted by more than thirty percent (30%) within a single year.
- Include insurance funding for 11 months for all BEP funded positions.

ACTION: **Mr. Roberts** moved approval. **Mr. Edwards** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

G. *LEA Alternative Salary Schedules*

Dr. Fleming presented this item and stated that Millington, Bartlett, and Lakeland City School are proposing to implement alternative salary schedules.

Mr. Johnson stated that he had met with Directors of Schools in his district and that passing this would make his life so much easier.

ACTION: **Mr. Johnson** moved approval. **Ms. Hartgrove** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Textbook Substitutions

Dr. Shelton presented this item. She submitted a list of newer editions of textbooks and instructional materials that publishers have submitted for state approval to substitute for textbooks/ materials on the state approved list.

ACTION: **Mr. Edwards** moved approval. **Vice Chair Pearre** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

I. Standards Review Policy 3.209

Ms. Laura Encalade, State Board of Education, presented this item. She stated that this policy formalizes the standards review process. She said the State Board of Education shall review each set of student instructional standards on a rotating basis every six (6) years. The six (6) year period shall be calculated beginning from the date on which a particular set of standards was last approved on final reading by the Board.

ACTION: **Mr. Roberts** moved approval. **Ms. Chancey** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

J. License Restoration Policy 5.500 and Rule 0520-02-03-.09

Ms. Sanders presented this item. She stated the only change to the proposed policy/rule change from first reading is the inclusion of the language “and forwarded to the State Board General Counsel” at the end of the second to last sentence in paragraph III.B. as requested at the April meeting. This clarifies that applications for restoration are received in the Office of Teacher Licensure but then forwarded to Board Counsel.

ACTION: **Vice Chair Pearre** moved approval. **Ms. Chancey** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

K. School Board Member Training, Rule 0520-01-02-.11

Ms. Sanders presented this item. She stated that T.C.A. § 49-2-202(a)(6) gives the State Board of Education the power to set minimum requirements for local school board

member training. State Board Rule 0520-01-02-.11 currently requires school board members to participate annually in seven (7) hours of training provided by the School Board Academy, and establishes a School Board Academy Advisory Committee responsible for recommending an annual program plan for the academy prior to the beginning of each school year.

This rule change recommended by the School Board Academy Advisory Committee requires newly elected school board members to participate in a fourteen (14) hour orientation training in addition to the seven (7) hour training during their first year in office. The School Board Academy has recommended this rule change to bring the rule in line with the past practice of the School Board Academy which has been to require newly elected members to participate in a fourteen (14) hour orientation training. There have been no changes since first reading.

Mr. Edwards asked what happens if the local school board members do not participate in the training. **Ms. Sanders** responded that it was up to the local board to encourage them to do so, but there is no penalty in law if they do not.

Chairman Rolston asked what percentage complied. **Ms. Sanders** responded that we do not have that information but will get it from the Tennessee School Board Association and a report would be sent to Board members.

ACTION: **Mr. Johnson** moved approval. **Vice Chair Pearre** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

L. *Personal Finance Employment Standards, Rule 0520-01-02-.03*

Ms. Sanders presented this item and stated that it is a technical correction to codify a rule established in 2007 requiring personal finance teachers to complete state approved training.

ACTION: **Ms. Hartgrove** moved approval. **Vice Chair Pearre** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

M. Parent/Family Involvement and Community Schools Policy 4.207

Ms. Sanders presented this item. She stated that Public Chapter 968 of the 108th General Assembly created the Tennessee Community Schools Act (codified at T.C.A. §§ 49-6-2401 through 49-6-2406). A community school is a traditional school that actively partners with its community to leverage existing resources and identify new resources to support the transformation of the school to provide enrichment and additional life skill opportunities for students, parents, and community members at large.

This policy change proposes to add the requirement that teachers be permitted to receive in-service credit for teaching classes for parents at community schools into the current Parent/Family Involvement policy, re-naming the policy “Parent/Family Involvement and Community Schools”. There were no changes since first reading.

ACTION: **Ms. Hartgrove** moved approval. **Vice Chair Pearre** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

N. Unsafe School Choice Policy 4.202

Ms. Sanders presented this item. She stated that T.C.A. § 49-6-3401(g) was recently amended to replace “battery” with “aggravated assault.” At the October 2014 State Board Meeting, the *Unsafe School Choice Policy 4.202* was updated to reflect this change, however, the definition of aggravated assault was not properly updated. This policy change will update the definition of aggravated assault in the Unsafe School Choice Policy to comply with existing statute. There were no changes since first reading.

O. Board Meetings Policy 1.400

Ms. Sanders presented this item. She stated that this item presents changes to the State Board’s meetings policy needed to provide better clarity around the board meeting process.

Since the first reading of this item, the following changes were made:

- **Page 1:** Language was added to clarify the process for removing an item from the Board’s agenda.
- **Page 2:** The required number for a quorum was changed to properly account for the presence of a “majority” of the “current” voting members of the Board in order to provide flexibility when the student member position is vacant (as is the case currently). It was also clarified that the procedure for voting will proceed in alphabetical order with the Chairman voting last.
- **Page 4:** Language was added to clarify which agenda items require one reading and which agenda items require two readings. Board policy changes, additions and deletions were moved from one reading to two readings. However, in order to give flexibility when special circumstances exist, language was added to allow the Board to approve new Board policies or Board policy changes, additions and deletions on one reading.

ACTION: **Mr. Edwards** moved approval. **Ms. Tucker** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

P. *Charter School Appeals Policy 2.500*

Ms. Sanders presented this item. She stated that In order to provide additional information and clarity to the State Board of Education’s charter school appeal process, the State Board approved changes on first reading at the April 2015 quarterly meeting to require additional documents as a part of the notice of appeal; to give sponsors, LEAs, and/or the Department of Education five days to return any documents requested by State Board staff; and to clarify the process for an analysis of substantial negative fiscal impact.

Ms. Sanders said that the following changes were made to the policy since first reading:

Page 2, Fiscal Impact Information:

- During a State Board analysis of an appeal of an application that was denied based upon substantial negative fiscal impact, we clarified that the LEA is the entity required to submit additional documentation and that the State Board has a right to obtain additional information beyond what is provided by the LEA.
- Clarified that LEAs must use Average Daily Membership figures as a part of the documentation submitted to the State Board as this information is currently the basis for BEP funding for districts.

Page 4, Decision of the State Board

- Clarified that the State Board will consider the Executive Director’s findings and recommendation report when making a decision on the appeal, but the Board is not bound by the recommendation.
- Clarified that discussion of the findings and recommendation report will take place prior to the vote on the item when ruling at a special called meeting.

ACTION: **Ms. Tucker** moved approval. **Ms. Hartgrove** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Q. *Guidelines for K-12 Instruction on Adoption*

Mr. Nathan James, State Board of Education, presented this item. He stated that Chapter 83 of the Tennessee Public Acts of 2015, requires the State Board of Education to “develop guidelines on the appropriate instruction on adoption, including what adoption is, and the benefits of adoption.” These guidelines must be distributed to every LEA prior to the 2015-16 school year.

The specific areas where adoption is addressed include:

Kindergarten – 8th Grade Health Education Standards:

- Distinguish between the different types of families (e.g. two parent, single parent, blended, extended, foster, and adoptive);
- Describe a variety of family structures and how they change over time;

High School Lifetime Wellness Standards:

- Discuss the alternatives of an unplanned pregnancy

Mr. James stated that the accompanying guidelines will support educators in the instruction of these standards.

Vice Chair Pearre asked if any of these guidelines were already incorporated. **Mr. James** responded that it was his understanding that several of them were. She then asked if the districts had the option of whether or not to use these guidelines. **Mr. James** responded that they do.

Chairman Rolston asked who did the wording and Mr. James responded that this comes as a recommendation from the Department of Education.

ACTION: **Ms. Chancey** moved approval. **Ms. Hartgrove** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. *Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC) Default Actions*

A. *TSAC Defaults*

Mr. Philip Cramer, State Board of Education, presented this item. He explained that these educators have defaulted on student loans and have been notified by the Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC). TSAC provides 90 days’ notice for educators to come into compliance, and the State Board of Education provides another 30 days’ notice to make arrangements with TSAC. Thus, educators have at least 120 days’ notice before their licenses are suspended. Upon notification of compliance, the State Board of Education requests reinstatement of the educator’s license. **Mr. Cramer** noted that the Board was voting on an amended list because a couple of the teachers came into compliance.

Chairman Rolston asked if the teachers came into compliance would the Board have to act on removing the suspension. **Mr. Cramer** stated that it did not. He further said that TSAC notified the Board if any teacher came into compliance and then he would notify the Office of Teacher Licensure and the suspension would be removed.

ACTION: **Mr. Johnson** moved approval. **Mr. Roberts** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

V. *Teacher License Actions*

Mr. Cramer presented this item. He explained that under State Board Rule 0520-2-4-.01(9)(b), the State Board may revoke, suspend, formally reprimand or refuse to issue or renew a license for good cause.

Chairman Rolston stated that this was one of the least enjoyable parts of being a Board member but that it was a necessary part. He further said the staff goes through a diligent process in looking at the information we have on each one of these teacher licensure actions and compare actions that have been taken in the past. He said that the Board recognizes that when the license is taken or suspended it is a significant action.

Chairman Rolston said that as was indicated earlier, **Items V.I. and V.J.** were being removed from the agenda pending further information. He asked Board members if there was an interest in pulling any items off for separate action.

Ms. Tucker responded that she would ask that **Items V.E., V.K. and V.M.** be removed for separate consideration.

Vice Chair Pearre stated that on one and maybe two of these actions, the Board is acting after another state has made a change in a person's status. She asked if the Board was bound by the other state's action. **Mr. Cramer** said no that we did not have to follow suit.

A. *Spurgeon Banyard – Revocation*

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

B. Edward Esslinger – Reinstatement

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

C. Thomas Farmer -- Reinstatement

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		

	Yes	No	Absent
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

D. Samuel Hays – Denial of Application

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

F. Jordan Manning

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

G. Lisa Phillips – Revocation

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

H. Michael Price – Formal Reprimand

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

L. Keith Stafford – Denial of Application

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		

	Yes	No	Absent
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

N. Jason Thompson -- Revocation

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

O. Ruby Williams – Denial of Application

ACTION: Ms. Tucker moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

P. Sharon Williams – Suspension concurrent with other jurisdiction

ACTION: **Ms. Tucker** moved approval. **Mr. Johnson** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

Q. *James Wilson -- Revocation*

ACTION: **Ms. Tucker** moved approval. **Mr. Johnson** seconded. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Rolston said that the items that had been pulled for separate consideration would now be considered.

E. *Emily Tubb (Magill) – Reinstatement*

ACTION: **Ms. Tucker** moved to deny reinstatement. **Mr. Edwards** seconded.

Ms. Tucker stated that she takes these items very seriously but she thinks that the Board’s duty is to the students of the State and that if there are any questions that the Board err on the side of the student. **Ms. Tucker** further said that there are serious actions in this case and that this candidate should not be in a classroom with children.

Chairman Rolston said his concern in this case was that in previous actions the Board stated that if she complied with the prescribed program, the Board was committed to reinstate. He asked if he was wrong.

Mr. Cramer responded that the Board is not obligated to reinstate when a revocation has taken place and that reinstatement is a discretionary action.

A roll call vote was taken as follows to deny reinstatement:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

K. *Edward Snyder – Suspension, eighteen (18) months*

Ms. Tucker asked **Mr. Cramer** if it was correct that if a license was suspended they don't come back before the Board before their license is reinstated and that if there were conditions on a suspension they have to show compliance with the conditions to the staff. **Mr. Cramer** said that was correct.

Ms. Tucker asked what the Board could do short of taking his license that would give the Board a feeling of security. **Mr. Cramer** said that the Board could come back with a recommendation for various training and/or counseling. **Mr. Cramer** said that this could be pulled from the agenda and find out what steps would seem appropriate.

Ms. Tucker then asked if he was teaching while these actions were being taken. **Mr. Cramer** responded that while these actions are being considered his license is flagged and they can technically teach because no action has been formally taken on their license.

ACTION: **Ms. Tucker** moved to remove this from the agenda with a request for more information. **Mr. Edwards** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

M. *Christy Street – Suspension, one (1) year*

ACTION: **Ms. Tucker** moved to remove this from the agenda with a request for more information and to not accept the agreed order. **Mr. Johnson** seconded.

A roll call vote was taken as follows to deny reinstatement:

	Yes	No	Absent
Allison Chancey	X		
Mike Edwards	X		
Lillian Hartgrove	X		
Cato Johnson	X		
Carolyn Pearre	X		
Lonnie Roberts	X		
William Troutt	X		
Wendy Tucker	X		
Fielding Rolston	X		

The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Adjournment

Chairman Rolston then thanked the Board members for their thoughtful deliberations and announced that the Board will meet next on October 22-23, 2015 in Memphis. He then gave the dates for the 2016 Board meetings as follows:

- January 29
- April 15
- July 22
- October 21

Dr. Troutt asked if he could take this opportunity to ask for consent approval of the following resolution of appreciation. **Chairman Rolston** said yes.

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education could not have had a better host for its initial meeting outside of Nashville, we thank President Noland and the ETSU staff and faculty for their exceptional hospitality.

The resolution was unanimously approved.

Approved by: _____ Date: _____