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**MINUTES OF THE  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Atlanta, Georgia**  
**Ms. Barbara Hampton, Chairperson**

**April 4 & 5, 2013**  
**Dr. John Barge, Superintendent**

On April 4 & 5, 2013, the State Board of Education assembled to consider its committee work, conduct its public hearings, and take action on official business.

**Roll Call - Committee of the Whole**

April 4, 2103

Ms. Linda Zechmann	Mr. Mike Royal	Mr. Larry Winter
Dr. Elizabeth Ragsdale	Dr. Sandra Reed	
Ms. Helen Odom Rice	Mr. Brian Burdette	
Ms. Lisa Kinnemore	Mr. Scott Johnson	
Ms. Barbara Hampton	Dr. Mary Sue Murray	

Absent: Mr. Kenneth Mason and Mr. Allen Rice

On April 4, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. by motion of Ms. Rice, seconded by Dr. Murray, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing waivers, appeals, legal, and personnel matters.

At 2:30 p.m., the Budget Committee, Charter Committee, and Rules/Policy Committee met to consider State Board items to be presented to the Committee of the Whole.

**Roll Call – State Board meeting**

April 5, 2013

Ms. Linda Zechmann	Mr. Mike Royal	Mr. Larry Winter
Ms. Helen Odom Rice	Dr. Sandra Reed	
Dr. Elizabeth Ragsdale	Mr. Brian Burdette	
Ms. Lisa Kinnemore	Mr. Scott Johnson	
Ms. Barbara Hampton	Dr. Mary Sue Murray	

Absent: Mr. Kenneth Mason and Mr. Allen Rice

At 8:00 a.m. the Chair called the meeting to order.

At 8:05 a.m., by motion of Ms. Rice, seconded by Dr. Ragsdale, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to come out of Executive Session.

## Inspiration/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Larry Winter, State Board Member representing the Fourteenth Congressional District provided the inspiration and Pledge of Allegiance.

## ACTION ITEMS

*(Please note that the items in their entirety, with backup material and attachments, can be found on the State Board of Education's E-Board website, April 5, 2013 State Board Meeting.)*

## AGENDA

By motion of Mr. Royal, seconded by Mr. Winter, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to approve the agenda for the April 5, 2013 State Board Meeting.

## CONSENT AGENDA

By motion of Mr. Royal, seconded by Mr. Burdette, a unanimous vote was given to approve the Consent Agenda for the April 5, 2013 State Board Meeting

1. **Contract – TKES/LKES Summer Regional Training.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with vendors in Attachment A at a cost not to exceed \$753,050 in Federal Funds for training new and current districts who will implement the Teacher Keys (TKES) and Leader Keys (LKES) Effectiveness Systems in 2013-2014. (Appendix 6)
2. **Grant – FY13 Residential and Reintegration Services for Special Education.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to selected Local Education Agencies (LEAs) at a cost not to exceed \$1,551,946 in State Funds for special education residential and reintegration services to students placed in private facilities by the LEAs. (Appendix 7)
3. **Grant – Reallocation of FY12 Federal Funds for Special Education.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to school districts, state schools, and state operated programs at a cost not to exceed \$5,352,630 in Federal Funds for the purpose of meeting excess cost needs of students with disabilities in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). (Appendix 8)
4. **Contract – Race to the Top (RT3) funded PSAT (Preliminary SAT) Contract with the College Board for October 2013 sophomore exams.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with The College Board at a cost not to exceed \$1,178,100 in Federal Funds for administration, scoring, and reporting services for the October 2013 PSAT for all tenth grade students in Georgia public high schools..
5. **Grant – Cross-State Learning Collaborative Acceptance of Grant Award.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to accept a grant award in the amount of \$75,000 from the Cross-State Learning Collaborative (CSLC), a project of the New Venture Fund. (Appendix 9)

6. **Grant – Federal High School Program Grant Amendment to Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to the attached list of LEAs at a cost not to exceed \$1,130,695 in Federal Funds for CTAE high school programs. (Appendix 10)
7. **Grant – State High School Program Grant Amendment to Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to the attached list of LEAs at a cost not to exceed \$20,102 in State Funds for CTAE high school programs. (Appendix 11)
8. **Contract – Procurement for Conference Facility for the School Improvement Specialist Meetings.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into an Open Agency contract with Macon Marriott City Center at a cost not to exceed \$150,000 in State/Federal/Other Funds for meeting sessions that occur throughout the year.
9. **Contract Amendment - TrueNorthLogic.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to amend the contract with TrueNorthLogic that was approved at the April 20, 2012 Board meeting to increase the total maximum compensation amount from \$3,055,000 to \$5,642,000, for Year 2 Site Licensing Fees, Development, and Training funding. (Appendix 12)
10. **Grant Amendment – FY13 Title I, Part A Grant Amendment.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to amend the grant with Odyssey/Georgia Cyber Academy (GCA), Provost Academy Georgia, and Georgia Connections Academy (GaCA) by the amount of (\$246,357) for a cost not to exceed \$1,389,994 in Federal Funds for the purpose of adjusting FY13 Title I, Part A allocations to virtual State Charters based on guidance from the U.S. Department of Education. (Appendix 13)
11. **Grant – Sharing of Best Practices – FY13 Summer Leadership Academy.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to 21 local educational agencies at a cost not to exceed \$261,366 in Federal Funds for participation in the 2013 Summer Leadership Academy. (Appendix 14)
12. **April 2013 \$50,000.01 - \$250,000 Recurring Contracts.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into contracts with the vendors specified in the Attachment entitled "\$50,000.01-\$250,000 Recurring Contracts (April 2013)" at a cost not to exceed the amounts provided in said Attachment. (Appendix 15)
13. **State Board Rule - 160-4-2-.20 LIST OF STATE-FUNDED K-8 SUBJECTS AND 9-12 COURSES FOR STUDENTS ENTERING NINTH GRADE IN 2008 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-2-.20 LIST OF STATE-FUNDED K-8 SUBJECTS AND 9-12 COURSES FOR STUDENTS ENTERING NINTH GRADE IN 2008 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS. (Appendix 16)

14. **State Board Rule - 160-4-5-.02 LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE: PROGRAM FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS (ELs).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-5-.02 LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE: PROGRAM FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS (ELs). (Appendix 17)
15. **State Board Rule – 160-4-7-.02 Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)(Initiation).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-7-.02 FREE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE). (Appendix 18)
16. **State Board Rule 160-4-7-.09 PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARD PARENT RIGHTS.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-7-.09 PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARD PARENT RIGHTS. (Appendix 19)
17. **System Waiver – Personnel Required – Chickamauga City School System.** Approved for the 2013-2014 school year, the Chickamauga City School System’s waiver request of SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.22 Personnel Required and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-180 as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244 to allow the district to employ the superintendent at 49% plus 3 months at full-time.
18. **System Waiver – Minimum Direct Classroom Expenditure FY12.** Approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the hardship waivers provided in SBOE Rule 160-5-.29 Minimum Direct Classroom Expenditures (3)(b) and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-171 (b)(4) as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244 for the local education agencies (LEAs) on the attached list. (Appendix 20)
19. **Special Needs Scholarships Program – 2013-2014 Private School List.** Authorized the schools on the attached list of new private schools to participate in the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Program for the 2013 - 2014 school year. (Appendix 21)
20. **2013 State Learning Resources Advisory Committee.** Approved the 2013 Learning Resources Advisory Committee as identified in the attached list. (Appendix 22)
21. **Administrative Waiver – Fannin County.** Approved the Fannin County Schools System’s waiver request of SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.13 Regional Educational Service Agencies (RESA) section (1)(e) so as to move from the North Georgia RESA to the Pioneer RESA beginning July 1, 2013.
22. **Curriculum – Additional Fourth Science Options – Environmental Physics and Materials Chemistry.** Adopted the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) for Environmental Physics and Materials Chemistry.

23. **Curriculum – Common core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS) for Engineering Calculus.** Adopted the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) for Common Core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS) for Engineering Calculus.
24. **Curriculum – Foundational Courses for Career Cluster Pathways (Post).** Granted permission for the posting of the Georgia Performance Standards for the Foundational courses of Introduction to Culinary Arts, Introduction to Customer Services, Introduction to Mechatronics -- DC Theory, Pneumatic Systems, and Programmable Logic Controllers, AC Theory, Electric Motors, and Hydraulic Systems, Semiconductors, Mechanical Systems, and Pump and Piping Systems, and Introduction to Graphics and Design Career Cluster Pathways for public review and comment.
25. **Five Year Local Facilities Plan.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to approve the Five-Year Local Facilities Plan for the school systems listed below: Carrollton City, Decatur County, Fannin County, Jenkins County, Macon County.
26. **February 2013 State Board Minutes.** Approved the minutes of the February 21, 2013 State Board Meeting.
27. **February 20, 2013 Executive Session Committee Minutes.** Approved the minutes of the February 20, 2013 Executive Session Committee Meeting.
28. **Called Meeting March 21, 2013.** Approved the minutes of the March 21, 2013 State Board Meeting – Called Meeting.
29. **Personnel Actions.** Approved the April 2013 Personnel Actions as presented by the State Superintendent of Schools.
30. **Case No. 2013-01. David Vollmer v. Clayton County Board of Education .** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
31. **Case No. 2013-22. Hezekiah Wardlow v. Atlanta Independent School System.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
32. **Case No. 2013-23. Tiffonia Lamar-Sanders v. Atlanta Independent School System.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
33. **Case No. 2013-24. Christi Wagner-Giddens v. Atlanta Independent School System.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
34. **Case No. 2013-25. R.W. v. Ben Hill County Board of Education.** Dismissed the appeal.
35. **Case No. 2013-26. N.D.G. v. Clayton County Board of Education.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
36. **Case No. 2013-28. Clara Pettis v. Atlanta Independent School system.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.

37. **Case No. 2013-29. C.I. v. Gwinnett County Board of Education.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
38. **Case No. 2013-30. Mona Lisa Ward v. Henry County School System.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
39. **Case No. 2013-31. Precious Moon v. Atlanta Independent School System.** Sustained the decision of the Local Board.
40. **Expedited Waiver of Contractual Obligations for Odyssey School and Georgia Cyber Academy so They Can Seek a New Commission Charter.** Waived the contractual obligations of Odyssey School and Georgia Cyber Academy so they can seek a new Commission Charter.
41. **New Commission Charters for Former Commission Schools and State Chartered Special Schools.** Affirmed the State Charter Schools Commission’s granting of new charters to former Commission schools and state chartered special schools. (Atlanta Heights Charter School, Cherokee Charter Academy, Coweta Charter Academy, Georgia Connections Academy, Georgia Cyber Academy, Heritage Preparatory Academy, Mountain Education Charter High School, Odyssey School, Pataula Charter Academy, Provost Academy of Georgia)
42. **Conversion Charter Petition – Hickory Flat Charter Elementary.** Granted a charter for Hickory Flat Charter Elementary, a grades K-5 conversion charter school approved by Henry County Board of Education, for a five-year term to run from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018.
43. **Effingham College and Career Academy Charter Renewal.** Renewed a charter for Effingham College and Career Academy, a grades 9-12 start-up charter school approved by the Effingham County Board of Education, for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2018.
44. **Coastal Empire Montessori Charter School Charter Renewal.** Renewed a charter for Coastal Empire Montessori Charter School, a grades K-5 start-up charter school approved by the Savannah-Chatham County Board of Education, for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2018.
45. **Oglethorpe Charter School Charter Renewal.** Renewed a charter for Oglethorpe Charter School, a grades 6-8 start-up charter school approved by the Savannah-Chatham County Board of Education, for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2018.
46. **Fulton County Charter System Amendment.** Granted a charter amendment for Fulton County Charter System to amend Paragraph 3 of their charter contract regarding System Charter Schools. (Appendix 23)



47. **Ivy Preparatory Academy Charter Amendment.** Granted a charter amendment for Ivy Preparatory Academy, a grades 6-12 state chartered special school, to extend their charter term until June 30, 2018. (Appendix 24)
48. **Grant – Dual Immersion Grants.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to selected dual immersion schools at a cost not to exceed \$105,000 in State Funds for professional development and dual immersion resources. (Appendix 25)
49. **Grant – National Security Language Initiative STARTALK Program.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to accept a grant in the amount of \$90,425 from the National Security Language Initiative STARTALK program to develop a summer dual immersion teacher training institute to support and train dual immersion teachers and school administrators overseeing Chinese and Portuguese programs. (Appendix 26)
50. **Contract – 2012-2013 Georgia Electronic Backpack Initiative (GEBI).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with The University of North Carolina at Greensboro at a cost not to exceed \$56,382.03 in Federal funds for completing Phase I of Georgia’s Backpack Initiative for at-risk students that will provide educators with risk indicators and potential intervention strategies before a student fails. (Appendix 27)
51. **Contracts \$50k and Under.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to approve the \$50k and Under Report for February, 2013. (Appendix 28)
52. **Curriculum – Foundational Courses for Career Cluster Pathways (Adopt).** Adopted the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) for the Foundational courses of all Career Cluster Pathways. (Appendix 29)
53. **Variance Requests of the Georgia High School Writing Test.** Approved the requests for a variance of the identified portions(s) of the Georgia High Writing Test (GHSWT) for the following cases:

**Social Studies:** N/A

**Science:** N/A

**Mathematics:** N/A

**Writing:** 13-1054, 13-1063

**English/Language Arts:** N/A

54. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) in English Language Arts.** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) for English Language Arts for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0824	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0847E	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0850E	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0862E	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0863E	Deny	Disability
13-0869	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0883E	Deny	Disability
13-0900E	Deny	Hardship
13-0915E	Deny	Hardship
13-0917E	Deny	Disability
13-0925E	Deny	Hardship
13-0955	Approve	Hardship
13-0987E	Deny	Disability
13-0989E	Deny	Disability
13-1008E	Deny	Disability
13-1036E	Approve	Disability

55. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) in Mathematics.** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0802M	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0813M	Deny	Hardship
13-0816M	Deny	Disability
13-0828M	Deny	Disability
13-0832	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0833	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0834	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0836M	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0841M	Deny	Hardship
13-0843	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0846M	Deny	Hardship
13-0847M	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0850M	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0860	Deny	Hardship
13-0861M	Deny	Hardship
13-0864	Deny	Hardship
13-0866	Deny	Hardship
13-0867	Deny	Hardship
13-0875M	Deny	Hardship
13-0876	Deny	Disability
13-0878	Deny	Hardship
13-0884	Approve	Disability
13-0890	Deny	Hardship
13-0893	Deny	Hardship

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0896	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0900M	Deny	Hardship
13-0901M	Deny	Hardship
13-0902	Deny	Hardship
13-0903	Deny	Hardship
13-0906M	Deny	Hardship
13-0909	Deny	Hardship
13-0911	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0912	Deny	Disability
13-0915M	Deny	Hardship
13-0921M	Approve	Disability
13-0924M	Approve	Disability
13-0925M	Deny	Hardship
13-0933	Deny	Hardship
13-0934	Deny	Disability
13-0935M	Deny	Disability
13-0940M	Deny	Hardship
13-0954M	Deny	Disability
13-0957	Deny	Hardship
13-0962	Deny	Hardship
13-0965	Deny	Hardship
13-0969	Deny	Hardship
13-0974	Deny	Hardship
13-0981	Deny	Hardship
13-0986	Deny	Disability
13-0987M	Deny	Disability
13-0989M	Deny	Disability
13-0991	Approve	Disability
13-0994M	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-1005M	Deny	Disability
13-1008M	Deny	Disability
13-1009M	Deny	Hardship
13-1035	Deny	Hardship

56. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) in Science.**

Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for Science for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0667SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0710	Deny	Hardship
13-0809	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0813SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0814	Approve	Hardship
13-0818	Deny	Hardship
13-0819	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0828SC	Deny	Disability
13-0847SC	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0850SC	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0856SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0861SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0862SC	Deny	Hardship & Disability

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0879SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0883SC	Deny	Disability
13-0885	Approve	Hardship
13-0887SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0897	Deny	Hardship
13-0900SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0907SC	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0918	Deny	Hardship
13-0930	Deny	Hardship
13-0940SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0948	Deny	Hardship
13-0954SC	Deny	Disability
13-0956SC	Deny	Hardship
13-0968	Deny	Hardship
13-0975	Deny	Disability
13-0987SC	Deny	Disability
13-0988SC	Deny	Disability
13-0989SC	Deny	Disability
13-1002	Approve	Hardship
13-1008SC	Deny	Disability

57. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) in Social Studies.** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for Social Studies for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0667SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0670SS	Approve	Hardship
13-0757	Approve	Hardship
13-0802SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0807SS	Approve	Hardship
13-0811	Deny	Disability
13-0813SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0820	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0828SS	Deny	Disability
13-0830	Deny	Disability
13-0831	Deny	Hardship
13-0836SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0841SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0846SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0847SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0850SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0851	Deny	Hardship
13-0853SS	Approve	Hardship
13-0856SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0858SS	Deny	Disability
13-0861SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0862SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0863SS	Deny	Disability

<b>Case Number</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Type</b>
13-0865	Deny	Hardship
13-0872	Deny	Hardship
13-0873	Deny	Disability
13-0875SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0879SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0880	Deny	Hardship
13-0881	Deny	Hardship
13-0882	Deny	Hardship
13-0883SS	Deny	Disability
13-0887SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0891	Deny	Disability
13-0894	Deny	Hardship
13-0895	Deny	Hardship
13-0900SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0901SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0904SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0906SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0907SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0908	Deny	Hardship
13-0915SS	Deny	Hardship
13-0920	Approve	Hardship
13-0921SS	Approve	Disability
13-0923	Approve	Hardship
13-0932	Approve	Hardship
13-0935SS	Deny	Disability
13-0941	Deny	Hardship
13-0943	Approve	Hardship
13-0944	Approve	Disability
13-0947SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0954SS	Deny	Disability
13-0966	Deny	Hardship
13-0972	Deny	Hardship
13-0980	Deny	Hardship
13-0982	Deny	Hardship
13-0985	Deny	Hardship
13-0987SS	Deny	Disability
13-0988SS	Deny	Disability
13-0989SS	Deny	Disability
13-0990	Deny	Hardship
13-0992	Approve	Hardship
13-0993	Approve	Hardship
13-1006	Approve	Hardship
13-1007	Approve	Hardship
13-1009SS	Deny	Hardship

58. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT).** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type
13-0816W	Deny	Disability
13-0847W	Deny	Hardship & Disability
13-0868	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0870	Approve	Hardship & Disability
13-0917W	Deny	Disability
13-0946W	Deny	Hardship
13-0987W	Deny	Disability
13-0989W	Deny	Disability
13-1005W	Deny	Disability
13-1008W	Deny	Disability
13-1036W	Approve	Disability

59. **Waiver Reconsideration Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) and/or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT).** Made the following decisions on the reconsidered waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) and/or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for the students listed below:

Case Number	Reconsideration Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
13-0712M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
13-0712SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
13-0712SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
13-0806	Deny	Disability	Writing
13-0835	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
13-0840	Approve	Disability	Science
13-0871	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
13-0892	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
13-0910SC	Deny	Deny	Science
13-0910SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
13-0922	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
13-0951	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
13-0953	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
13-0967	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
13-0976	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies

### **POLICY/RULES COMMITTEE**

1. **State Board Rule 160-5-1-.15 AWARDING UNITS OF CREDIT AND ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER CREDIT AND/OR GRADES.** Ms. Rice moved to approve the 1. State Board Rule 160-5-1-.15 AWARDING UNITS OF CREDIT AND ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER CREDIT AND/OR GRADES. Ms. Kinnemore seconded the motion, which passed with 9 voting yes, 1 voting no and 1 abstaining.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTIONS

### Legal Appeals

1. **Case No. 2013-27. C.W. v. Henry County Board of Education.** Dr. Ragsdale moved to reverse the decision of the local board. Dr. Murray seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### Waivers

\*\*\*To remain consistent with the State Board of Education's waiver voting practice, Ms. Rice made the motion to approve all student waivers and Mr. Royal made the second to approve all waivers in order to expedite the process.\*\*\*

1. Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) for **English Language Arts** for the students listed below:

Case Number	Type	Yes/No Vote	Pass/Fail
13-0670E	Hardship	4/7	Fail
13-0828E	Disability	2/9	Fail
13-0916	Hardship	5/6	Fail
13-0937	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-0942	Disability	9/2	Pass
13-0947E	Hardship & Disability	5/6	Fail
13-0949	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0971	Hardship	10/1	Pass

2. Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) for **Mathematics** for the students listed below:

Case Number	Type	Yes/No Vote	Pass/Fail
13-0844	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0855	Hardship	8/3	Pass
13-0857	Hardship	8/3	Pass
13-0858M	Disability	8/3	Pass
13-0874	Hardship & Disability	10/1	Pass
13-0883M	Disability	4/7	Fail
13-0886M	Disability	4/7	Fail
13-0899	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0914	Disability	10/1	Pass
13-0917M	Disability	4/7	Fail
13-0928	Disability	9/2	Pass
13-0931	Disability	7/4	Pass
13-0938	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0939	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-0946M	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0947M	Hardship & Disability	6/5	Pass
13-0950	Hardship	8/3	Pass
13-0961	Disability	8/3	Pass
13-0963	Disability	7/4	Pass
13-0973	Hardship	10/1	Pass

3. Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for **Science** for the following cases:

Case Number	Type	Yes/No Vote	Pass/Fail
13-0802SC	Hardship & Disability	6/5	Pass
13-0807SC	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0815SC	Disability	5/6	Fail
13-0848SC	Hardship	8/3	Pass
13-0853SC	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0888	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-904SC	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0917SC	Disability	1/10	Fail
13-0960	Disability	10/1	Pass
13-0964SC	Hardship & Disability	7/4	Pass
13-1004	Hardship	7/4	Pass

4. Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for **Social Studies** for the following cases:

Case Number	Type	Yes/No Vote	Pass/Fail
13-0773	Hardship	8/3	Pass
13-0808	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0810	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0829	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0839	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-0842	Hardship	5/6	Fail
13-0845	Hardship	8/3	Pass
13-0848SS	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0854	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0877	Hardship	11/0	Pass
13-0886SS	Disability	3/8	Fail
13-0889	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-0905	Hardship	11/0	Pass
13-0919	Hardship & Disability	8/3	Pass
13-0924SS	Disability	7/4	Pass
13-0925SS	Hardship	3/8	Fail
13-0940SS	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-0945	Disability	8/3	Pass
13-0952	Disability	6/5	Pass
13-0956SS	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0964SS	Hardship & Disability	7/4	Pass
13-0970	Hardship	10/1	Pass
13-0978	Hardship	9/2	Pass
13-0983	Hardship	7/4	Pass
13-0984	Hardship & Disability	8/3	Pass
13-0994SS	Hardship & Disability	4/7	Fail
13-1010	Hardship & Disability	10/1	Pass
13-1037	Disability	10/1	Pass
13-1038	Hardship	9/2	Pass



- Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Writing Tests (GHSWT) for **Writing** for the following cases:

Case Number	Type	Yes/No Vote	Pass/Fail
13-0828W	Disability	4/7	Fail

### Waiver Reconsiderations

- Made the following decisions on the reconsidered waiver requests of the Georgia High Schools Graduation Tests (GHSGT) and/or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for the students listed below:

Case Number	Type	Area of Request	Yes/No Vote	Pass/Fail
13-0825	Hardship	Social Studies	7/4	Pass
13-0827	Hardship	Writing	11/0	Pass
13-0849	Hardship & Disability	Mathematics	8/3	Pass
13-0913	Disability	Mathematics	8/3	Pass
13-0926	Hardship	Writing	5/6	Fail
13-0927E	Disability	English Language Arts	3/8	Fail
13-0927SS	Disability	Social Studies	10/1	Pass
13-0929	Hardship & Disability	Mathematics	7/4	Pass
13-0936	Hardship	Social Studies	8/3	Pass
13-1072	Disability	Mathematics	10/1	Pass

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Race To The Top.** An update was given by Dr. Susan Andrews, Deputy Superintendent, Race to The Top.
- LDS and 2 Year Technology Plan Updates.** An update was given by Bob Swiggum, Chief Information Officer, Technology Services.
- eBook Presentation.** A presentation was given by Dr. Gilda Lyon, Education Specialist, Career, Technology, and Agricultural Education.
- PARCC.** An update was given by Superintendent Barge.
- Legislative Update.** Update given by Kyle Newton, Governmental Affairs
- Smokey Powell.** Presentation was given by Dr. Kenney Moore, Director of State Schools.
- Georgia STEM Day.** An update was given by Superintendent Barge.
- Georgia Foundation For Public Education.** A donation from the German Consulate was presented to Brad Bryant, Executive Director, Georgia Foundation for Public Education.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

1. **State School Graduation Dates.** The Chair, Barbara Hampton announced the Graduation Dates for the State Schools: Atlanta Area School for the Deaf – May 24 at 10:45a.m., Georgia Academy for the Blind – May 24 at 11:00a.m., and Georgia School for the Deaf – May 24 at 10:00a.m.
2. **NASBE Update.** An update on the Annual Legislative Policy Conference was given by Dr. Mary Sue Murray.

### **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The minutes for the Budget, Charter, Rules, Audit, Operation, and Executive Session Committees are located in the Appendices.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:15 p.m., by motion of Mr. Winter, seconded by Dr. Reed, an affirmative vote was given to adjourn the State Board meeting.

The next State Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 9, 2013.

Brenda Turner  
Recording Secretary