MINUTES OF THE ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
THE STATE OF ALABAMA
JULY 9, 2019
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

The Alabama State Board of Education met for its Annual meeting of Elementary/Secondary Education matters on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at 10:05 a.m., in the auditorium of the Gordon Persons Building, Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting was called to order by the President of the Board in accordance with Alabama Code (1975), §16-3-7, as amended.

PRESIDING: GOVERNOR KAY IVEY, PRESIDENT

The invocation was done by Minister Doug Smith, Dairaida Church of Christ, Montgomery, Alabama, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was done in unison.

The following members were present:

  Present
  Mrs. Stephanie Bell
  Governor Kay Ivey
  Dr. Cynthia McCarty
  Mr. Jeff Newman
  Dr. Yvette Richardson
  Mrs. Tracie West
  Mrs. Jackie Zeigler

  Absent
  Mrs. Ella B. Bell
  Dr. Wayne Reynolds

Dr. Eric G. Mackey, State Superintendent of Education, was also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Mrs. Tracie West and seconded by Dr. Cynthia McCarty, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 13, 2019, MEETING

On motion by Dr. Cynthia McCarty and seconded by Dr. Yvette Richardson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the meeting of June 13, 2019.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

On motion by Dr. Yvette Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following (Class A Mathematics 6-12 was added to the resolution):

AMEND RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS
Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University (AAMU)
Normal, Alabama

WHEREAS, a review of educator preparation was conducted in July 2017, with follow-up reviews thereafter, by the Alabama State Department of Education in accordance with the Alabama State Board of Education, State Department of Education Administrative Code, Rule No. 290-3-3-.56(2)(b); and

WHEREAS, all programs have been recommended for approval or approval with clearly articulated conditions to be met within a prescribed timeframe, based on compliance with Alabama State Board of Education rules; and

WHEREAS, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) reviewed AAMU in November 2018, and granted continuing accreditation on April 29, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education recommends approval of the programs:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby approves the following programs, with approval to expire on June 30, 2026:

Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)
Class B Elementary Education (K-6)
Class B English Language Arts (6-12)
Class B Mathematics (6-12)
Class B Biology (6-12)
Class B Chemistry (6-12)
Class B Physics (6-12)
Class B General Social Studies (6-12)
Class B Family and Consumer Sciences (6-12)
Class B Music, Choral (P-12)
Class B Music, Instrumental (P-12)
Class B Physical Education (P-12)
Class B Collaborative Special Education Teacher (K-6)
Class B Collaborative Special Education Teacher (6-12)
Alternative Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)
Alternative Class A Elementary Education (K-6)
Alternative Class A English Language Arts (6-12)
Alternative Class A Mathematics (6-12)
Alternative Class A General Science (6-12)
Alternative Class A Biology (6-12)
Alternative Class A General Social Studies (6-12)
Alternative Class A Family and Consumer Sciences (6-12)
Alternative Class A Physical Education (P-12)
Alternative Class A Collaborative Special Education (K-6)
Alternative Class A Collaborative Special Education (6-12)
Alternative Class A Music, Choral (P-12)
Alternative Class A Music, Instrumental (P-12)

Class A Elementary Education (K-6)
Class A English Language Arts (6-12)
Class A General Science (6-12)
Class A Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)
Class A Music, Choral (P-12)
Class A Music, Instrumental (P-12)
Class A Instructional Leadership (P-12)
Class A School Counseling (P-12)
Class A Collaborative Special Education Teacher (K-6)
Class A Collaborative Special Education Teacher (6-12)
Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)
Class A General Social Studies (6-12)
Class A Physical Education (P-12)

Class AA Mathematics (6-12)

Class AA Elementary Education (K-6)
Class AA Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)
Class AA Instructional Leadership (P-12)
Class AA Collaborative Special Education Teacher (K-6)
Class AA Collaborative Special Education Teacher (6-12)
Class AA Early Childhood Education (P-3)
Class AA Biology (6-12)

Done this 9th day of July 2019

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT PRO TEM

On motion by Mrs. Tracie West and seconded by Dr. Cynthia McCarty, the Board voted unanimously in support of the motion for Mr. Jeff Newman as Vice President. On motion by Dr. Yvette Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously for Mrs. Jackie Zeigler as President Pro Tem.
On motion by Dr. Cynthia McCarty and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF DR. SHERRI HUFF, PROGRAM SPECIALIST, HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, AND DRIVERS EDUCATION, BIRMINGHAM CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM, AS ALABAMA’S 2018-2019 ALABAMA CHAMPIONS FOR HEALTHY, ACTIVE SCHOOLS, CHAMPION OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, Dr. Sherri Huff, a Program Specialist in the Birmingham City School System, received the Alabama Champions for Healthy Active Schools, 2018-2019 Champion of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sherri Huff received her Bachelors of Science in Recreation Management, a Master’s of Science in Athletic Administration, a Master’s of Arts in Physical Education from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, an Ed.S. in Physical Education from the University of Montevallo, an Ed.S. in Administration, and an Ed.D. in Education Administration from Samford University. Dr. Sherri Huff has been in the field of education for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sherri Huff was selected based upon her outstanding dedication to building a healthier school environment through a comprehensive school physical activity plan, nutrition education, and a robust wellness policy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sherri Huff serves as a positive role model epitomizing personal health and fitness, enjoyment of activity, and sensitivity to the physical and emotional needs of all students, and provides service to the profession through advocacy, consultation, in-service training presentations, and active membership in related professional organizations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Dr. Sherri Huff upon the honor of being selected as Alabama’s 2018-2019 Alabama Champions for Healthy, Active School’s Champion of the Year.

Done this 9th day of July 2019.

On motion by Mrs. Stephanie Bell and seconded by Dr. Yvette Richardson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE REVIEW OF AN EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM
Faulkner University

WHEREAS, Alabama Administrative Code, Rule No. 290-3-3-.56(2)(b)2.(ii), requires that approval by the Alabama State Board of Education shall be secured before a proposal for a new program is reviewed by the Office of Teaching and Leading Section of the Alabama State Department of Education; and
WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education has received from the President of Faulkner University a written request to develop a new program and submit it for review; and

WHEREAS, the request lists the specific proposed program for which the Alabama State Board of Education approval is being sought, together with information concerning the factors to be taken into account in determining the need for the program; and

WHEREAS, Faulkner University personnel have been advised that the proposed program may not be implemented prior to Alabama State Board of Education approval based on documentation of compliance with all applicable standards; and

WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education recommends that the program be reviewed by the Office of Teaching and Leading of the Alabama State Department of Education:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby authorizes a review of the following program:

Class B Innovative Program Physical Education (P-12)

Done this 9th day of July 2019

On motion by Mrs. Stephanie Bell and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE REVIEW OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS
University of Montevallo

WHEREAS, Alabama Administrative Code, Rule No. 290-3-3-.56(4)(b)2., requires that approval by the Alabama State Board of Education shall be secured before a proposal for new programs is reviewed by the Office of Teaching and Leading of the Alabama State Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education has received from the Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs at the University of Montevallo a written request to develop programs at the Class B level; and

WHEREAS, the request lists the specific proposed programs for which the Alabama State Board of Education approval is being sought, together with Information concerning the factors to be taken into account in determining the need for the programs; and

WHEREAS, University of Montevallo personnel have been advised that the proposed programs may not be implemented prior to Alabama State Board of Education approval based on documentation of compliance with all applicable standards; and
WHEREAS, the State Superintendent of Education recommends that the programs be reviewed by the Office of Teaching and Leading of the Alabama State Department of Education:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby authorizes a review of the following programs:

- Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)
- Class B English Language Arts (6-12)
- Class B General Science (6-12)
- Class B General Social Studies (6-12)
- Class B Mathematics (6-12)

Done this 9th day of July 2019

On motion by Dr. Yvette Richardson and seconded by Dr. Cynthia McCarty, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

ADOPT NEW ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 290-4-5, PERTAINING TO STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

On motion by Dr. Cynthia McCarty and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

ANNOUNCE INTENT TO ADOPT NEW ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RULE 290-3-3-.09, PERTAINING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (GRADES 6-12)

On motion by Dr. Yvette Richardson and seconded by Dr. Cynthia McCarty, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

ANNOUNCE INTENT TO ADOPT NEW ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RULE 290-3-2-.36, PERTAINING TO HIGHER EDUCATION TRANSITIONAL CERTIFICATE

EXECUTIVE (INCLUDES LEGAL AND PUBLIC INFORMATION)

Dr. Eric G. Mackey stated that there was no report necessary for the month of July.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Eric G. Mackey thanked the Board members for adopting rules to govern the Pediatric Palliative and End-of-Life Care Act. He recognized the two state nurses, Jennifer Ventress and LaBrenda Marshall, for working with local school nurses and superintendents to make sure the department is giving the most attentive care to students and masterful work on the new rules based on the law. Dr. Mackey stated that he is very excited about the changes to come, including the new Computer Science standards the department will begin offering that will have three different ways to
become certified. The first way is simply for sitting teachers to take the Praxis. The second is for a teacher to become certified through a special program like Code.org. The final pathway is for students to go into a traditional college program and say they want to teach Computer Science. Dr. Mackey recognized Dr. Jayne Meyer and staff who worked with Dr. Jeff Gray at The University of Alabama, Dr. Elisabeth Davis who served on the Governor’s Task Force, and many more who worked together to get a really strong, rigorous program. Dr. Mackey expressed excitement that there are lots of young people interested in Computer Science. We are going to need lots of them because we want to offer it in every school across the state.

The Higher Education Transitional Certificate. Again, a great collaboration between the department and the Community College of the Air Force staff who came to us and stated they wanted their instructors to be able to go straight into high schools with minimum requirement changes. Dr. Mackey informed Board members that some things are in place where there is a minimum transition between community college and high school. After looking at the program, department staff decided to expand it to other community college instructors. It is a much broader not than originally intended. Dr. Mackey informed the Board of imminent events, the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo Landing on the Moon that will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019. He will be at the Riverwalk Stadium on Tuesday morning and anyone around is invited. The Governor will be in Huntsville for some of the festivities that are going on there. Dr. Mackey stated that we are working with NASA to connect into our classrooms for students interested in STEM fields.

Dr. Mackey advised that the Math courses of study committee is working on some of the suggestions that came from the Board regarding what needs to be done to get a Math course of study for review. As a goal, Dr. Mackey would like to get this done as early as August and possibly September.

There being no other business before the Board, on motion by Mr. Jeff Newman and seconded by Dr. Cynthia McCarty, Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 8, 2019, at 10 a.m. The Work Session was held immediately following the meeting.

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Vice President

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Secretary and Executive Officer