

Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan Review Meeting

March 1, 2016

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a Strategic Plan Review meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2016, via teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code for the purpose of its Strategic Plan Review meeting. The location of the meeting available to the public was the Board Room at Mississippi Public Broadcasting, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman (Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi), Mr. Buddy Bailey (Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi), Ms. Kami Bumgarner (Madison, Mississippi), Dr. Karen J. Elam (Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi), Mr. Johnny Franklin (Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi), Dr. John R. Kelly (Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi), and Mr. Charles McClelland (Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi). Dr. Carey Wright, State Superintendent, is present at the Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Board Room, Jackson, Mississippi. Board member absent: Mr. William H. Jones. Dr. Jason S. Dean joined the meeting at 9:50 a.m. at the Board Room, Mississippi Public Broadcasting, Jackson, Mississippi. Ms. Kami Bumgarner left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

I. The Board meeting was called to order by Dr. John R. Kelly, Chair.

Dr. Kelly noted that the meeting of the Board of Education was being held via teleconference pursuant to Section 25-41-5 of the Mississippi Code. Dr. Kelly also stated that an audio recording was being made of the meeting and that a quorum of the Board was present at the locations stated for the purpose of conducting a meeting through teleconference means.

II. On a motion by Mr. Buddy Bailey, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

Members voting aye: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman
Mr. Buddy Bailey
Ms. Kami Bumgarner
Dr. Karen J. Elam
Mr. Johnny Franklin
Mr. Charles McClelland

Members voting nay: None

Members absent: Dr. Jason S. Dean
Mr. William H. Jones

- III. Dr. Kelly welcomed the facilitators for the meeting: Dr. Mike Waldrop, Executive Director of the Mississippi School Boards Association and Dr. Julie Jordan, Director, Mississippi State University Research and Curriculum Unit.
- IV. Dr. Kelly stated that the Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan was developed 13 months ago. Dr. Kelly stated when the plan was developed it was stated that it would be flexible and nimble with the purpose to make changes to the plan when needed. Dr. Kelly encouraged the Executive Leadership Team to make any suggestions because that way they would have buy in on the front end.
- V. Dr. Carey M. Wright thanked all for coming and stated we are here to talk about the work of the Department of Education. Dr. Wright stated that Mr. Pat Ross has left the Department and the work that was in his office has been reassigned as follows: Office of School Improvement, Office of Leadership Development, and Office of Driver Education to Dr. Kim Benton, Office of Accreditation, Office of Safe and Orderly Schools, and Office of Transportation to Dr. J. P. Beaudoin, and Office of Conservatorship to Dr. John Q. Porter.

Dr. Wright asked Mr. Pete Smith to give an update on the bills that are in the legislative session. Mr. Smith stated they are watching three pieces of legislation: literacy based promotion act, Mississippi Adequate Education Program (MAEP), and consolidation. Mr. Smith also stated that they are watching the Achievement School District (ASD) legislation.

- VI. Dr. Julie Jordan started with reviewing the Strategic Plan and addressing each goal and strategy to see if anything needed to be added or changed. The Board members as well as members of the Mississippi Department of Education's Leadership Team participated in the discussion of each goal and strategy while Dr. Jordan made the suggested changes.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:16 p.m. and reconvened at 12:50 p.m. Dr. Jason S. Dean left the meeting at 12:16 p.m. (The teleconference portion of the meeting was discontinued, on record, upon continuing without the inclusion of Ms. Kami Bumgarner.)

- VII. Dr. Mike Waldrop took the Board through the following steps on the Strategic Plan and there was a lot of discussion from the Board members. Dr. Waldrop discussed: Board's role in monitoring plans through reporting; establishing the baselines; what type of reports are most valuable (report design); when are data available for reporting; and developing a schedule for reporting.

Dr. Waldrop stated a Strategic Plan is a living plan and can be approved when needed.

Dr. Kelly asked Dr. Waldrop to work with Dr. Jason S. Dean on creating report formats so the Board can review before a decision is made on the report template that will be used. The information will be presented to Dr. Wright and the Executive Leadership Team. Dr. Kelly asked Dr. Karen S. Elam and Mr. Johnny Franklin to work on Goal 6: Underperforming Schools. Dr. Kelly stated that Goal 6 could be presented to the Board at the May Board meeting.

- VIII. Dr. Kelly thanked Dr. Mike Waldrop and Dr. Julie Jordan for their work on the Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan. The revised Plan will be reviewed by Dr. Carey M. Wright and the Executive Leadership Team to make any additional changes and present back to the State Board of Education members at the April Board meeting (copy attached).

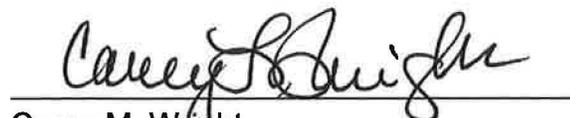
Dr. Kelly reminded the Board members of the Mississippi State Board of Education Legislative Leadership Dinner at 5:30 p.m. that night at ANJOU in Ridgeland, Mississippi.

Dr. Kelly adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

Approved:



John R. Kelly, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education



Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education