Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

June 21, 2018

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a Board meeting at 10:02 a.m. on Thursday, June 21, 2018, in the Central High School Building, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Mr. Buddy Bailey, Ms. Kami Bumgamer, Dr. Jason S. Dean, Dr. Karen J. Elam, Mr. Johnny Franklin, Dr. John R. Kelly, and Mr. Charles McClelland. Board member absent: Mr. Sean Suggs. Dr. Carey M. Wright was also present.

I. Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Chair, called the Board meeting to order. Ms. Aultman noted that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the meeting. Ms. Aultman stated that the meeting was being live streamed.

II. Dr. Karen J. Elam led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dr. John R. Kelly gave the Invocation.

III. On a motion by Mr. Johnny Franklin, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2018, Board meeting.

IV. On a motion by Mr. Buddy Bailey, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

V. Recognition Ceremony

June 2018 Employee of the Month
Alexandria Davis
Project Officer I, Special
Office of Safe and Orderly Schools

VI. Dr. Carey M. Wright gave the following report as the State Superintendent of Education:

- Dr. Wright stated that she and Mr. Pete Smith met with Governor Phil Bryant to update him on things happening in the Department. Dr. Wright stated that Governor Bryant chairs the Education Commission of the States (ECS) so he has a great platform to brag about Mississippi.
- Dr. Wright stated that she met with teachers who administer the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program - Alternate (MAAP-A) for children with significant cognitive disabilities. Dr. Wright stated that this is a revised test and that she met with them to get input on how they think testing went this year. Dr. Wright stated that Questar was also present for the meeting. Dr. Wright stated the group met last year and their suggestions were heard as well as addressed and the administration of the test was much better this year. Dr. Wright stated that she wanted to make sure the assessment was
administered appropriately and that the teachers felt they are supported in its administration.

- Dr. Wright stated she met with Senator Terry Burton to give him an update about all the things happening around the state.
- Dr. Wright stated that she attended the State Early Childhood Advisory Council of Mississippi which has focused on child care for the last two years. Dr. Wright stated that she shared what is happening in Prekindergarten programs.
- Dr. Wright stated that the first meeting of the State Testing Task Force met and it is a large and diverse group. Dr. Wright stated that information was presented on tests required by federal law, state law, and Board policies. Dr. Wright stated that Ms. Rachel Canter shared information about testing and stated that a survey would be put together by members of the Task Force and would to presented to the Task Force in August.
- Dr. Wright stated that she was one of the keynote speakers at the Data Quality Campaign’s National Summit. Dr. Wright stated that this gave her a chance to talk about data collection around prekindergarten and early childhood and how we are using the data to drive decisions in the Department and drive decisions around programming.
- Dr. Wright stated that she was one of the team members from eight states to attend the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) High Quality PreK Network. Dr. Wright stated that she interfaced with the members about what they are doing that works and what we are doing around PreK.
- Dr. Wright stated that she delivered the keynote at the National Early Childhood Roundtable. Dr. Wright stated that this was a very informative meeting and she learned of other ways to open additional prekindergarten seats. Dr. Wright stated that she will be working with Dr. Jill Dent and another state agency to see how we can make this happen.
- Dr. Wright stated she spoke at the 26th Anniversary Celebration of the Millsaps Principals Institute with updates about the wonderful things that are going on in Mississippi. Dr. Wright thanked teachers, principals, and students for the progress we are making.
- Dr. Wright kicked off the Teachers Leadership Institute, which includes eight pilot districts where the idea is to give teachers other ways to lead without leaving the classroom. Dr. Wright stated that the teachers could mentor or provide instructional coaching and this would help build capacity of teachers.
- Dr. Wright stated that she was on the Paul Gallo Radio Show and spoke on the State Testing Task Force.
- Dr. Wright introduced Dr. Kim Benton who gave an overview of the 3rd grade reading results. Dr. Wright stated that expectations will be raised in 2019.
- Dr. Wright recognized Dr. Benton and Ms. Jean Massey since this will be their last Board meeting this month because they are retiring at the end of June.
Dr. Wright recognized Ms. Kami Bumgarner since this is her last meeting as the Teacher Representative on the Board. Dr. Wright thanked her for all she has done for teachers and for her support.

Dr. Wright stated the Spotlight for this Board meeting is “Professional Development Coordinators: Enhancing the Art of Teaching.” Dr. Wright stated the Professional Development Coordinators (PDCs) work throughout the state with teachers and schools to provide free professional development in math, English Language Arts, science, and Special Education. Dr. Wright stated this program is under Dr. Kim Benton’s supervision. Dr. Wright stated that the professional development model has a Menu of Services that schools or districts can choose from or they can request personalized professional development for their school or district. Dr. Wright recognized the PCDs that were in attendance: Dr. Kristina Livingston, Professional Development Coordinator Lead for MDE, Ms. Amy Shelly, Professional Development Coordinator, Ms. Elise Brown, Secondary Math Professional Development Coordinator, Ms. Ashley Kazery, Professional Development Coordinator for English Language Arts, Mr. Devin Boone, Professional Development Coordinator Manager, and Ms. Christie Hatten, Professional Development Coordinator.

Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman as the Chair of the State Board gave the following report:

Ms. Aultman stated that she attended the graduation at the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science. Ms. Aultman stated this was a great day that was very encouraging and it was exciting to hear where the students would be going to college. Ms. Aultman stated that the ceremony is very respectful and that is a true testimony to Dr. Germain McConnell. Ms. Aultman stated that a former student from the second class, Dr. J. Racquel Collins, Assistant Dean of Biomedical Sciences at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, gave the commencement speech, which the students enjoyed. Ms. Aultman thanked Dr. McConnell for what he is doing at the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science.

Ms. Aultman read and presented a Resolution signed by all members of the State Board of Education recognizing Ms. Kami Bumgarner for her years of service as a member of the State Board of Education (copy attached). Ms. Bumgarner has served on the State Board for nine years. Ms. Aultman thanked Ms. Bumgarner for her teacher perspective and how it impacts the teachers in the classroom. Ms. Aultman thanked Ms. Bumgarner’s family for their support.

Ms. Aultman thanked Dr. Kim Benton and Ms. Jean Massey for their work at the Department and she stated that you are leaving your jobs knowing that you have made a difference in the lives of the children of this state.

Dr. Karen J. Elam, Chair of the Academic Achievement PreK-12 Subcommittee, stated that when the Subcommittee met yesterday, all members were present.
Dr. Elam stated that Dr. Marla Davis gave an abbreviated presentation on Algebra Nation and it is the first item on the agenda today. Dr. Elam stated that Mr. Quentin Ransburg and Ms. Elisha Campbell did a great introduction on federal monies that come into the state. Dr. Elam stated this was an informative session. Dr. Elam thanked Dr. Benton and her staff for their work.

IX. Discussion of Board Items

01. Dr. Kim Benton and Dr. Marla Davis reported on the Algebra Nation Project [Goals 1, 2, and 4 – MBE Strategic Plan].

02. Dr. Benton and Ms. Jean Massey reported on Districts of Innovation, Early College High Schools, and Mississippi Innovation Lab Network Update [Goals 1, 2, 4, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan].

Dr. Wright thanked Ms. Heather Morrison for her work with the Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) and the academic deans on the diploma options aligned to IHL and on the changes made with advanced placement.

Ms. Jean Massey, as a matter of personal privilege, thanked the Research and Curriculum Unit (RCU) at Mississippi State University (MSU) for their work on the initiatives. Ms. Massey recognized Ms. Betsi Smith, the new Executive Director, and Ms. Myra Pannell, Senior Research Associate for their work.

Dr. Wright recognized Dr. Julie Jordan for her work on the initiatives while she was at the RCU and congratulated her on her new appointment as Associate Vice President for International Programs and Executive Director of the MSU International Institute.

03. Dr. Benton and Mr. Mike Kent discussed the resolution declaring the consolidation of the Winona-Montgomery Consolidated School District [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Benton recommended approval.

Ms. Aultman thanked Mr. Kent for his work mediating this process.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:49 a.m. and reconvened at 12:34 p.m.

04. Dr. Felicia Gavin discussed approval of the Mississippi Department of Education Contracts [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]. Dr. Gavin recommended approval.

04.A. Action: Monthly contracts with former State Employees receiving retirement benefits [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
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06. Ms. Aultman gave the Board an opportunity to discuss the following consent agenda items. Mr. Buddy Bailey requested to discuss items O. and P.

Dr. Paula Vanderford answered questions on items O. and P.

A. Approval of the 2018-2019 Student Handbooks for the State Schools (Kim Benton)
   1. Mississippi School for the Blind
   2. Mississippi School for the Deaf

B. Approval of Interlocal Agreement with Brookhaven School District to provide instructional services for the Mississippi School of the Arts for Fiscal Year 2019 (Kim Benton)

C. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise State Board Policy, Part 3, Chapter 30, Rule 30.6 – Youth Detention Center Educational Provisions (Kim Benton)

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X. Approval of Action Items

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                                Dr. Jason S. Dean
                                Dr. Karen J. Elam
                                Dr. John R. Kelly
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   Member voting nay:           Mr. Johnny Franklin

   Member abstaining:          None

   Member absent:               Mr. Sean Suggs

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XI. Consideration of Executive Session

Dr. John R. Kelly moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session. Mr. Buddy Bailey seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 7 to 0. Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman asked Dr. Carey M. Wright, Ms. Raina Lee, Ms. Erin Meyer, Ms. Chelsea Chicosky, and the Executive Leadership Team to remain in the Executive Session.

Dr. Jason S. Dean, then moved that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss discrete personnel matters related to the job performance of persons holding specific positions in the Department of Education in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7 (4)(a) and (k), discussion of a strategy session or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation involving the Department and the issuance of an appealable order in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7 (4)(b), and discussion with respect to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7 (4)(d). Dr. Karen J. Elam seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 7 to 0. Ms. Chelsea Chicosky informed the public of the Board’s vote to go into Executive Session for the above-stated reasons.

Minutes of the Executive Session

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On a motion by Dr. Jason S. Dean, seconded by Mr. Charles McClelland, the Board voted 7 to 0 to come out of Executive Session.

The public came back into the Board meeting and Ms. Aultman reported the action taken during the Executive Session.

01. On a motion by Dr. Karen J. Elam, seconded by Dr. Jason S. Dean, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Mr. Cortez Moss as Educ-Bureau Director II to serve as Director of Educator Talent Acquisition in the Office of Teaching and Leading at a salary of $84,000.00.

02. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Dr. Nathan Oakley as Educ-Deputy State Superintendent to serve as Chief Academic Officer in the Office of Academic Education at a salary of $150,000.00.
03. On a motion by Mr. Buddy Bailey, seconded by Dr. Karen J. Elam, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Ms. Wendy Clemons as Educ-Associate Superintendent to serve as Executive Director of Secondary Education and Career and Technical Education at a salary of $118,000.00.

XII. State Board of Education

1. Dr. John R. Kelly reported that he and Dr. Jason S. Dean attended the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) New Board Member Institute in Alexandria, Virginia on June 7-9, 2018. Dr. Kelly stated there were 30 new members that attended the institute and Dr. Dean was selected as the New Board Member’s representative on the Board of Directors.

2. There were no requests to attend meetings.

3. On a motion by Dr. John R. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Buddy Bailey, the Board unanimously approved to change the previously approved State Board of Education meeting date of November 15, 2018 to November 8, 2018.

XIII. Other Business

The July Board meeting will be held July 19, 2018, in Jackson, Mississippi at the Central High School Building starting at 10:00 a.m.

XIV. Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Charles McClelland, seconded by Dr. Jason S. Dean, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

Approved:

Rosemary G. Aultman, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education

Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education