

Mississippi Board of Education  
May 18, 2023  
10:00 a.m.  
4th Floor Boardroom  
Central High School Building  
Mississippi Department of Education (MDE)  
359 North West Street  
Jackson, Mississippi

### **Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Invocation
- III. Approval of minutes of April 19, 2023 Board Meeting and minutes of Special-Called Board Work Session on April 19, 2023
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Recognition Ceremony

#### **Mannsdale Upper Elementary School 4th Grade Students**

Proposing legislation to create and pass a bill to adopt the blueberry as the state fruit

#### **Mississippi Department of Education**

Mississippi School of the Arts Phoenix Award

- VI. Report of State Superintendent of Education
- VII. Report of Chair
- VIII. Report of Student Representatives
- IX. Report on State Board of Education Subcommittee (SBE) Meetings
- X. Discussion and/or Approval of Board Items (All action items require vote)
  01. Information: Update on Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funded Projects [Goals 1, 2, 4, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
  02. Action: Approval of the MDE Contracts [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)

- 02.A. Action: Contract with Gay, Jones, and Kuhn PLLC to provide supplementary legal counsel and policy and guidelines support to the Office of Special Education relative to the enforcement of and compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)
- 02.B. Action: Emergency contract with Renaissance Learning, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2024 to provide an integrated assessment system that will include a Pre-K Collaborative Star Assessment Bundle and a K-Readiness Assessment using Renaissance Data Integration (RDI) services [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
- 02.C. Action: Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) for Fiscal Year 2024 to administer the English Language Arts and Mathematics in Grades 3-8, End-of-Course (EOC) in Algebra I, English II, and options for Geometry and Algebra II as part of the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program, (MAAP) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
- 02.D. Action: Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) for Fiscal Year 2024 to administer the English Language Arts and Mathematics in grades 3-8; Science Grades 5 & 8; and High School Algebra I, English II, and Biology I as part of the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program - Alternate, (MAAP-A) for students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (SCD) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
- 02.E. Action: Contract with ACT, Inc. to administer the ACT test to all juniors (approximately 34,000 students each year) in the State of Mississippi [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
- 02.F. Action: Contract with Forvis, LLC to provide accounting services to monitor ESSER programs [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
- 03. Action: Approval of the MDE grant awards [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Felicia Gavin)
  - 03.A. Action: Award a grant to school districts to support the implementation of K-3 Literacy Support: Summer Reading Camps [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Donna Boone)

- 03.B. Action: Award grant to Mississippi School Boards Association to conduct basic and continuing education for local school boards as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-4 [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
04. Information: Spring 2023 Mississippi Academic Assessment Program (MAAP) 3rd Grade Initial Reading Summative Assessment Results [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan] (Paula Vanderford)
05. Consent Agenda (All consent items are action items which require vote, unless otherwise noted.)
- A. Approval of monthly expenditures for the Mississippi School of the Arts (Donna Boone)
- B. Approval of monthly expenditures for the Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (Donna Boone)
- C. Approval of certified personnel for the Mississippi School of the Arts, Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, and Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (Donna Boone)
- D. Approval of the 2023-2024 Student Handbooks for the State Schools (Donna Boone)
01. Mississippi School of the Arts
02. Mississippi School for the Blind
03. Mississippi School for the Deaf
- E. Approval of the 2023-2024 Operations Policy Manuals for the State Schools (Donna Boone)
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02. Mississippi Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
- F. Approval to revise Miss. Admin. Code: 7-24, *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2022*, Process Standard 13, 27, Appendices A-6 – A-10, A-12, B-2, and glossary and Miss. Admin. Code 7-163: *Mississippi Nonpublic School Accountability Standards, 2022*, Process Standard 11, 23, Appendices A-6 – A-10, A-12, B-2, and glossary (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with one public comment) (Donna Boone)

- G. Approval to revise the 2020 Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards for the College and Career Readiness course (CCR) (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process without public comments) (Donna Boone)
- H. Approval to revise the Work-Based Learning: Credit Bearing Course Guidelines to *Mississippi Work-Based Learning (WBL) Manual* (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process without public comments) (Donna Boone)
- I. [PULLED]
- J. Approval of a temporary rule and to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Miss. Admin. Code 7 – 4: Part 4: *Licensure Guidelines K-12* to establish Performance-Based Teacher License criteria (Paula Vanderford)
- K. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Mississippi Admin. Code 37-1-3 State Board Policy Chapter 3, Rule 27.1 – Criminal Records Background Checks on Applicants for Employment, State Department of Education Staff, Mississippi School for the Deaf and Blind, Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science, and Mississippi School of the Arts (Felicia Gavin)
- L. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Mississippi Admin. Code 37-61-9(4). State Board Policy Chapter 3, Rule 31.1 – Drug Testing, State Department of Education Staff (Felicia Gavin)
- M. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To revise Mississippi Admin. Code 37-61-9 (4). State Policy Chapter 3, Rule 3.1 – Administrative Expense Reduction (Felicia Gavin)
- N. Approval to release the Wayne County School District from the Mississippi Department of Education oversight in accordance with MS Code Section 37-9-18 (2) (e) (Felicia Gavin)
- O. Approval of a temporary rule and to begin the Administration Procedures Act process: To revise Miss. Admin. Code 7-3: 81.3, State Board Policy Chapter 81, Rule 81.3: Driver Training/Motor Vehicle Record Check (Paula Vanderford)
- P. Approval to award formula grants to school districts for the purpose of providing reimbursement for K-3 universal screening assessments (Paula Vanderford)

- XI. Consideration of Executive Session
- XII. State Board of Education
  - 1. Report on meetings attended
  - 2. Approval of attendance at meetings
  - 3. Approval of meeting dates for Fiscal Year 2024
- XIII. Other Business
- XIV. Adjournment

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