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

**Atlanta, Georgia**  
**Ms. Wanda Barrs, Chairperson**

**July 20 & 21, 2011**  
**Dr. John Barge, Superintendent**

On July 20 & 21, 2011, the State Board of Education assembled to consider its' committee work, conducts its' public hearings, and take action on official business.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Daniel Israel	Mr. Brian Burdette	Ms. Barbara Hampton
Ms. Linda Zechmann	Mr. Kenneth Mason	Ms. Wanda Barrs
Dr. Mary Sue Murray	Dr. Elizabeth Ragsdale	Mr. Allen Rice
Mr. Mike Royal	Mr. Larry Winter	

Absent: Ms. Helen Odom Rice, Dr. Grant Lewis

On July 20, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. the Budget and Charter Committees and at 8:30 a.m. the Rules/Policy Committee met to consider State Board items to be presented to the Committee of Whole.

On July 20, 2011, pursuant to the public hearing notice and posting of the agenda, Ms. Barrs called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The Chair asked if there were any comments the public would like to make regarding the following rules:

**Rule 160-4-2-.48** Graduation Requirements for Students Enrolling in the Ninth Grade for the First Time in the 2008-2009 School Year and Subsequent Years

**Rule 160-4-2-.20** State Funded K-8 Subjects and 9-12 Courses For Students Entering Ninth Grade In 2008 and Subsequent Years

**Rule 160-4-2-.37** GHS GT Summer Remedial Program

**Rule 160-8-1-.01** Georgia Virtual School

There was one speaker. At the request of Ms. Barrs a motion was made by Dr. Ragsdale and seconded by Mr. Israel to adjourn to Executive Session. The vote was unanimous.

At 3:10 p.m. a motion was made by Ms. Zechmann and seconded by Mr. Royal to come out of Executive Session. The vote was unanimous.

The State Board of Education met in an official meeting on Thursday, July 21, 2011, at 8:05 a.m. in the State Board Room. At the request of Ms. Barrs a motion was made by Ms. Zechmann and seconded by Mr. Israel to adjourn to Executive Session. The vote was unanimous.

At 9:30 a.m. a motion was made by Dr. Ragsdale and seconded by Ms. Zechmann to come out of Executive Session. The vote was unanimous.

## Inspiration/Pledge of Allegiance

20120 Georgia Teacher of the Year Mr. Jadun McCarthy gave the inspiration and led the audience in the 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, July 21, 2011 State Board Meeting.)*

## AGENDA

By motion of Dr. Ragsdale, seconded by Ms. Hampton, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to approve the agenda for the July 21, 2011 State Board Meeting.

## CONSENT AGENDA

By motion of Mr. Winter, seconded by Mr. Mason, a unanimously vote was given to approve the Consent Agenda for the July 21, 2011 State Board Meeting.

1. **Contract – Tech for America – Clayton County Schools.** Authorized the State Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contract with Teach For America at a cost not to exceed \$1,209,092 in Federal Funds for increasing the number of available high-quality teachers and principals in Clayton County Schools' lowest achieving and/or feeder schools.
2. **Grant – FY12 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers New Sub-Grantees.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to 81 new 21st Century Community Learning Centers programs at a cost not to exceed \$24,752,665 in Federal Funds for non-school hours programs.
3. **Grant – Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA) Grant for Educational Technology Center (ETC) Services.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to all 16 RESAs at a cost not to exceed \$1,380,000 in State Funds for assisting the Department in providing job-embedded instructional technology professional development to support educators in the effective use of technology, standards-based instruction, and data-driven decision making to support student achievement.
4. **Grant – FY12 Even Start Family Literacy Program Funding.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to five Even Start Family Literacy programs through the Department of Early Child Care and Learning (DECAL) at a cost not to exceed \$691,878 in Federal Funds for the continuation of family literacy program services.

5. **Grant - FY12 Title I, Part A Neglected & Delinquent (N&D) Reserve, Formula Grants to LEAs; FY12 Title I, Part C Migrant Grants to LEAs; FY12 Title I, Part D, Subpart 2 Grants to LEAs; and FY11 Title I, Part A Carryover Grants to LEAs.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to local educational agencies (LEAs) at a cost not to exceed \$508,947,658 in federal funds for disbursement of federal grants.
6. **FY12 Grant – 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Continuation Sub-Grantees.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to 76 21st Century Community Learning Centers programs at a cost not to exceed \$24,059,795 in Federal Funds for the continuation of non-school hour programs.
7. **Grant – Allocation to Title III Statewide Consortium for English Learner Students.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to Southwest Georgia RESA at a cost not to exceed \$391,877 in Federal Funds for the Statewide Title III Consortium of school districts with low-density English Learners (EL) enrollments.
8. **Grant – Title III, Part A, English Language Acquisition State Grant.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to local school districts at a cost not to exceed \$13,313,000 in Federal Funds for the provision of supplemental services to English Learners (ELs).
9. **Grant - FY12 Grant – State Bonds to Purchase School Buses.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to local school systems at a cost not to exceed \$25,000,000 in Other Funds to purchase school buses.
10. **Contract – FY12 Contract – Susan Perkins Weston.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with Susan Perkins Weston at a cost not to exceed \$85,000.00 in State Funds for providing up to eight professional learning sessions between August 1, 2011 and March 31, 2012, in Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC) strategies and templates for Department staff, teachers and staff from five partner systems, and all Regional Educational Service Agencies (RESAs).
11. **Contract – FY12 Contract – Ann Shannon & Associates, LLC.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with Ann Shannon & Associates, LLC, at a cost not to exceed \$85,000.00 in State Funds for providing up to nine professional learning sessions between August 1, 2011 and March 31, 2012, in Shell Centre formative assessment lessons and strategies for Department staff, teachers and staff from six partner systems, and all Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs).
12. **Contract – FY12 Contract – Columbus State University.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with Columbus State University at a cost not to exceed \$107,620 in Federal Funds for the development of the instructional framework for the astronomy course and the preparation of professional development for astronomy teachers.

13. **Grant – FY12 Title II, Part A – Highly Qualified Teachers and Improving Teacher and Leader Quality State Grants (ESEA).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to Local Educational Agencies at a cost not to exceed \$60,849,141 in Federal Funds for FY 12 Title II, Part A – Highly Qualified Teachers and Improving Teacher and Leader Quality State Grants.
14. **Contract – FY12 Contract – Kennesaw State University.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with Kennesaw State University at a cost not to exceed \$144,000 in State Funds for the activities and initiatives of the Georgia Youth Science and Technology Centers (GYSTCs).
15. **Contract – FY12 Contract – The Construction Education Foundation of Georgia (CEFGA).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with The Construction Education Foundation of Georgia (CEFGA) at a cost not to exceed \$80,000 in Federal Funds for student credentialing, teacher certification, and program accreditation.
16. **Contract - FY12 Contract – ACCESS for English Language Learners (ELL) Contract Renewal.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with the University of Wisconsin at a cost not to exceed \$1,973,101 in Federal Funds for the 2011-2012 administration of the ACCESS for ELLs.
17. **Contract - FY12 Contract – Utah State University, Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education (TAESE) Center.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with Utah State University, Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education (TAESE) Center at a cost not to exceed \$87,000 in Federal Funds for the provision of training and assessment of educational interpreters.
18. **Grant - FY12 Grant – School Improvement 1003(g) ARRA Grants-Cohort 1-Year 2.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to twenty-six schools, at a cost not to exceed \$26,717,230 in Federal Funds for Cohort 1, Year 2, of the School Improvement Grants (SIG).
19. **Acceptance of Funding from the Florida Department of Education as the Fiscal Agent of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to accept federal funds in an amount not to exceed \$117,000 annually for three years from the Florida Department of Education, fiscal agent for the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) consortium.
20. **Grant - FY12 Grant – Title I, Part D, Subpart1 Formula Grant to State Agencies.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to three state agencies at a cost not to exceed \$1,013,044 in federal funds for Title I, Part D, Subpart 1.

21. **Contract Amendment – 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Cayen After School Data.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to amend the contract with Cayen Systems, Inc. to increase it by \$10,000 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$96,000 in Federal funds for additional site licenses and queries from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.
22. **Grants - FY12 Grant – Title I, Part A, 1003(g) RESA School Improvement Amended Grants.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to amend the grant award 16 Regional Educational Service Agencies (RESAs) in the amount of \$1,811,250 at a cost not to exceed \$3,651,250 in Federal Funds for school improvement services to Title I schools in Needs Improvement levels 1-3.
23. **Start-Up Charter Petition – Macon Academy of Excellence.** The State Board of Education granted a charter for the Macon Academy of Excellence, a K-8 start-up charter school approved by the Board of Public Education for Bibb County, for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2017.
24. **Provost Academy Georgia – Charter Contract.** The State Board of Education approved a change to the charter term of Provost Academy Georgia, a grade 9-12 virtual charter school approved by the State Board of Education as a state-chartered special school, from August 7, 2011 through June 30, 2013 to July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014.
25. **Rule 160-4-2-.05 MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM CRITERIA (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 160-4-2-.05 Middle School Program Criteria.
26. **Rule 160-4-9-.04 CHARTER SCHOOLS RULE (Reinitiation/Repeal).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to repeal State Board of Education Rule 160-4-9-.04 Charter Schools Rule.
27. **Rules 160-4-9-.04 CHARTER SCHOOL DEFINITIONS, 160-4-9-.05 CHARTER SCHOOLS PETITION PROCESS, and 160-4-9-.06 CHARTER AUTHORIZERS, FINANCING AND MANAGEMENT (Reinitiation).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to reinitiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to create State Board of Education Rules 160-4-9-.04 CHARTER SCHOOLS DEFINITIONS, 160-4-9-.05 CHARTER SCHOOLS PETITION PROCESS, and 160-4-9-.06 CHARTER AUTHORIZERS, FINANCING AND MANAGEMENT.

28. **System Waiver – GNETS Requirements.** The State Board of Education (SBOE) exercised its authority under O.C.G.A. Section 20-2-168(c)(2) to recognize a continuing emergency and critical shortage in state revenue as documented below and authorize Georgia Network for Educational & Therapeutic Support (GNETS) local boards of control for the 2011-2012 school year to depart from the requirement to provide a minimum of 180 days of service as provided in SBOE Rule 160-4-7-.15 Georgia Network for Educational & Therapeutic Support (GNETS) (3)(g)1(i) and be allowed to provide service for a minimum of 180 days or its equivalent.
29. **System Waivers – Bus Drivers – Habersham County Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Habersham County School System’s waiver of SBOE Rule 160-5-3-.08 School Bus Drivers as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
30. **System Waiver – Bus Drivers – Peach County Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Peach County School System’s waiver of SBOE Rule 160-5-3-.08 School Bus Drivers as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
31. **System Waiver – Bus Drivers – Schley County Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Schley County School System’s waiver of SBOE Rule 160-5-3-.08 School Bus Drivers as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
32. **System Waiver – Bus Drivers – Towns County Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Towns County School System’s waiver of SBOE Rule 160-5-3-.08 School Bus Drivers as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
33. **System Waiver – Alternative/Non-traditional Education Program-Middle Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the waivers of SBOE Rule 160-4-8-.12 Alternative/Non-traditional Education Program, section (2) (n) and/or (2) (o) to decrease minimum instructional time to award a unit of credit and/or decrease the minimum daily average instructional time as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-168 (c) (2) for the Alternative/Non-traditional Programs in the school systems on the attached list.
34. **System Waiver – Alternative/Non-traditional Education Program – Hall County.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the waiver of SBOE Rule 160-4-8-.12 Alternative/Non-traditional Education Program, section (2)(o) to decrease the minimum daily average instructional time as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-168 (c)(2) for the Riverbend Elementary School Alternative/Non-traditional Program in the Hall County School System.
35. **System Waiver – Guidance Counselors – Coweta County Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Coweta County School System’s waiver of SBOE Rule 160-4-8-.05 Guidance Counselors and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-182(c) as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.

36. **System Waiver – Guidance Counselors – Trion City Schools.** The State Board of Education approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Trion City School System’s waiver of SBOE Rule 160-4-8-.05 Guidance Counselors and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-182(c) as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
37. **Five Year Local Facilities Plans.** The State Board of Education approved the Five-Year Local Facilities Plans of the School Systems on the attached list.
38. **Common Core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS) for Calculus.** The State Board of Education adopted the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) for CCGPS for Calculus.
39. **Georgia Performance Standards for Applications of Biotechnology.** The State Board of Education adopted the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS) for Applications of Biotechnology.
40. **Rabun County Schools Board of Education Contract – Investing in Educational Excellence (IE2).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into an Investing in Educational Excellence (IE2) Partnership Contract with the Rabun County Board of Education.
41. **Contract – FY12 Contract – Special Education Parent Surveys.** Authorized the State Superintendent to enter into a contract with the Board of Regents, University System of Georgia, and Georgia Center for Assessment/Test Scoring and Reporting Services at UGA at a cost not to exceed \$53,493 in Federal Funds for services related to the data sampling of Georgia parents of students with disabilities.
42. **June 9, 2011 State Board Minutes.** Approved the June 9-10, 2011 State Board Meeting Minutes.
43. **June 28, 2011 Called State Board Meeting.** Approved the minutes of the June 28, 2011 Called State Board Meeting.
44. **Personnel Actions.** Approved the June 9, 2011 Personnel Action as presented by the State Superintendent of Schools.
45. **Case No. 2011-59. Tommy Adcock v. Dodge County Board of Education.** The decision of the Local Board is sustained.
46. **Case No. 2011-60. Beth Taylor v. Wayne County Board of Education.** The decision of the Local Board is sustained.



47. **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	Area(s) of Request
11-0851E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0878E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0895E	Deny	Disability & Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0898E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0913E	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0915E	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0916E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0917E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0926E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0938E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0993E	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-1015E	Approve	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-1032E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-1038	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-1041E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-1046E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-1047E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-1094E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts

48. **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	Area(s) of Request
11-0850	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0851M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0876M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0877M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0878M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0883	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0886M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0895M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0913M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0915M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0916M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0917M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0919M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0926M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0931	Approve	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0942	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0978M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0985M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0993M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-1004M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-1009	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1032M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1037	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-1041M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1042M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1046M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1048M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1081	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1085	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1093	Approve	Disability	Mathematics
11-1095M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1098M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-1107M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-111	Deny	Disability	Mathematics

49. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) 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	Area(s) of Request
11-0877SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0886SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0889SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0891	Approve	Disability	Science
11-0895SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0898SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0900	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0912	Approve	Hardship	Science
11-0913SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0914	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0915SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0917SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0919SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0938SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0945SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0946SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0956SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0979SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0980SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0983SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0985SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0987SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0988SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0993SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0996	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1001	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1002SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1004SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-1028SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1041SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1046SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1057SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1094SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1095SC-	Deny	Disability	Science
11-1097SC	Deny	Disability	Science

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

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0591	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0631	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0851SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0872	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0876SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0877SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0878SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0880	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0881SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0885	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0886SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0887	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0889SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0895SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0898SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0902	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0903	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0911	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0913SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0915SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0916SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0917SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0919SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0926SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0927	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0928	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0932	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0938SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0939	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0940	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0941	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0943	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0944SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0945SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0947	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0948	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0949	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0951	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0957	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0956SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0959	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0962	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0963	Deny	Disability	Social Studies

<b>Case Number</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Area(s) of Request</b>
11-0964	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0965	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0968	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0970	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0971	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0972	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0973	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0974	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0975	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0977	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0978SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0979SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0980SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0981	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0983SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0985SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0986SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0987SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0988SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0989	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0991	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0993SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0995	Approve	Disability	Social Studies
11-0997	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1000	Approve	Disability	Social Studies
11-1002SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1005	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1007	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1008	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1010	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1013	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1017	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1018	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1028SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1031	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1034	Approve	Disability	Social Studies
11-1036	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1039	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1040	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1041SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1043	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1044	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1045SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1046SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1047SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1048SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1049	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1050	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-1051	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1052	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1053	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1055	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1056	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1057SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1058	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1059	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1061	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1062	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1076	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1077	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1078	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1079	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1082	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1083	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1084	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1086	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1087	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1088	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1089SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1094SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1095SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1097SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1098SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1099	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-1100	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1101	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1103	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1106	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1107SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1108	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1109	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-1110	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies

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

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0851W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0881W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-00884	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0890	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0892	Deny	Disability & Hardship	Writing
11-0910	Deny	Hardship	Writing
11-0917W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0920	Deny	Hardship	Writing

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0944W	Deny	Hardship	Writing
11-0986W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0993W	Deny	Hardship	Writing
11-0999	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-1032W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-1041W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-1042W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-1045W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-1047W	Deny	Disability	Writing

52. **Waiver Reconsideration Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT)** Made the following decisions on the reconsidered waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for the following cases:

Case Number	Reconsideration Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0512	Deny	Hardship & Disability	Mathematics
11-0528	Approve	Disability	Mathematics
11-0591	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0707	Approve	Disability	Social Studies

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTIONS**

1. **Case No. 2011-49. Jan Hersh v. Fulton County Board of Education.** The Local Board's decision was reversed.
2. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0659** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified as Case 11-0659. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.
3. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0950** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified in Case 11-0950. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 1 voting no.
4. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0990** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified in case 11-0990. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 6 voting no.
5. **Waiver Request – Case 11-01029** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified in case 11-1029. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 1 voting no.

6. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1033**– Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified in case 11-1033. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 1 voting no.
7. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0838M** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified in case 11-0838M. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 4 voting no.
8. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0901** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified in case 11-0901. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.
9. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1016** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified in case 11-1016. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 4 voting no.
10. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1020** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified in case 11-1020. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.
11. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1057M** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified in case 11-1057M. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.
12. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1089M** – Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified in case 11-1089M. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 6 voting no.
13. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0838SC**. Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0838SC. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes.
14. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0899**. Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0899. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.

15. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1102SC.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-1102SC. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 1 voting no.
16. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0879.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0879. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.
17. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0894.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0894. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 4 voting yes and 7 voting no.
18. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0897.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0897. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 3 voting yes and 8 voting no.
19. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0925.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0925. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.
20. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0946SS.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0946SS. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 3 voting yes and 8 voting no.
21. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0960.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0960. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 1 voting yes and 10 voting no.
22. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0961.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0961. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 11 voting no.
23. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0969.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0969. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes.



24. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0976.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0976. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.
25. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1006.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1006. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.
26. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1019.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1019. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 6 voting no.
27. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1054.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1054. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.
28. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1080.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1080. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.
29. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1090.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1090. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.
30. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1091.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1091. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 6 voting no.
31. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1092.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1092. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 4 voting yes and 7 voting no.
32. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1096.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1096. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.

33. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1100.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1100. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.
34. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1102SS.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1102SS. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.
35. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1328.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-1328. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.
36. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0967.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0967. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 4 voting no.
37. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1011.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-1011. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 3 voting no.
38. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1021.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-1021. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.
39. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0561.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for the student identified in case 11-0561. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 4 voting no.
40. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0585.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for the student identified in case 11-0585. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.
41. **Waiver Request – Case 11-1060.** Mr. Winter moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for the student identified in case 11-1060. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 2 voting no.

## **POLICY/RULE COMMITTEE ITEMS**

1. **Rule 160-4-5-.02 LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE: PROGRAM FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS (ELs) (Adoption).** Dr. Ragsdale moved to approve to the adoption of State Board Rule 160-4-5-.02. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was approved with 11 voting yes.
2. **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 (Adoption).** Dr. Ragsdale moved to approve the adoption of State Board Rule 160-4-2-.20. Dr. Murray seconded the motion which was approved with 11 voting yes.
3. **Rule 160-4-2-.12 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM. (Adoption).** Mr. Winter moved to approve the adoption of the State Board Rule 160-4-2-.12. Mr. Israel seconded the motion which was approved with 11 voting yes.
4. **Rule 160-4-2-.48 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS ENROLLING IN THE NINTH GRADE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS. (Adoption)** Mr. Rice moved to approve the adoption of the State Board Rule 160-4-2-.48. Mr. Royal seconded the motion which was approved with 6 voting yes and 5 voting no.
5. **Rule 160-5-6-.01 STATEWIDE SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM (Adoption).** Dr. Ragsdale moved to approve the State Board Rule 160-5-6-.01. Ms. Hampton seconded the motion which was approved with 10 voting yes.
6. **Rule – SINGLE STATEWIDE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM (Repeal).** Mr. Royal moved to approve the repeal of the Single Statewide Accountability System. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes.
7. **Rule 160-7-1-.01 SINGLE STATEWIDE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM (Adoption).** Mr. Winter moved to approve the State Board Rule 160-7-1-.01. Ms. Zechmann seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes.
8. **Rule 160-4-2-.37 GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION TEST SUMMER REMEDIAL PROGRAM (Repeal).** Dr. Ragsdale moved to approve the repeal of State Board Rule 160-4-2-.37. Ms. Hampton seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes.
9. **Rule 160-8-1-.01 GEORGIA VIRTUAL SCHOOL (Adoption).** Ms. Zechmann moved to approve the State Board Rule 160-8-1-.01. Dr. Ragsdale seconded the motion which was approved with 10 voting yes.
10. **System Waiver Personnel Required – Rome City Schools.** Ms. Zechmann moved to deny the 2011-2012 school year, the Rome City School System’s waiver 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. Dr. Ragsdale seconded the motion which was passed with 10 voting yes.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. **Georgia Special Needs Scholarship 2011-2012 Private School List.** Ms. Mason moved to approve the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship 2011-2012 Private School List. Dr. Murray seconded the motion which was approved with 9 voting yes and 1 abstaining.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. **Longitudinal Data Systems (LDS) Update Report.** An update was given by Bob Swiggum, Deputy Superintendent - Technology Services.
2. **Race To The Top Update.** An update was given by Clara Keith, Associate Superintendent - Race To The Top.
3. **EOCT Spring 2011 Report.** An update was given by Melissa Fincher, Associate Superintendent - Assessment and Accountability.
4. **Performance Index.** A report was given by Dr. Mike Buck, Chief Academic Officer.
5. **Atlanta Public Schools.** An update was given by Kathleen Mathers, Director of Governor's Office of Student Achievement, Avis King, Deputy Superintendent - School Improvement, and Melissa Fincher, Associate Superintendent - Assessment and Accountability.
6. **IE2** – An update was given by Kathleen Mathers, Director of Governor's Office of Student Achievement.

## **Adjournment**

At 11:50 a.m., by motion of Mr. Winter, seconded by Mr. Burdette, an affirmative vote was given to adjourn the State Board meeting.

## **Next Scheduled Meeting of the State Board**

The next State Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 10, 2011.

Brenda Turner  
Recording Secretary