



## **Approval of Proposed Agenda Items for October**

- Approval of Minutes
- State Board Update
- Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education Update
- Regulations
- Roles and Responsibilities of the Board

Dr. Alyssia James entertained a motion to approve the Agenda for the November meeting, minus the New Member Orientation.

**MOTION:** Ms. Kelli Midgely/Ms. Jennifer Berkley

To approve Agenda for the November meeting, minus the New Member Orientation.

## **COMAR 13A.12.04.03 – Superintendent (Repeal and Replace – Permission to Publish) - Attachment II**

## **COMAR 13A.10.01.06-1 – Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate (Promulgation - Permission to Publish) - Attachment III**

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this item is to request permission to publish amendments to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13A.12.04.03 *Superintendents* (Attachment II) and to publish the promulgation of COMAR 13A.12.01.06-1 *Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate* (Attachment III).

Amendments to *Superintendents* are being proposed to provide additional pathways to certification in the area of superintendent as well as to establish two, distinct superintendent certificates: Superintendent I for Deputy, Assistant and Associate Superintendent; and Superintendent II for Superintendents.

Promulgation of a new regulation for the *Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate* is being proposed to create the new Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate, as recommended by the Joint Conference Committee, for those individuals with an exceptional background and skills to be considered for a Superintendent position.

### **Proposed Amendments:**

The proposed amendments:

- Delineate the requirements set forth for certification as a superintendent (Superintendent II) and the requirements set forth for certification as a deputy, associate, and assistant superintendent (Superintendent I).
- Expand the pathways to become a Maryland Superintendent to include traditional preparation: from in-state and out-of-state institutions of higher education and reciprocity for those that hold a Superintendent Certificate from another state; and
- Create a new certificate called the Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate that allows an individual with an exceptional background and skills to be considered for a Superintendent position in a local education agency.

### **Summary:**

A workgroup comprised of multiple constituent organizations recommended proposed amendments to COMAR 13A.12.04.03 *Superintendents* to establish two, distinct superintendent certificates, as well as provide multiple pathways to certification. The SBOE and PSTEB, through a Joint Conference

Committee meeting, expanded the recommendations of the workgroup to include reciprocity and the creation of the Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate that allows an individual with an exceptional background and skills to be considered for a Superintendent position.

**Action:**

Request permission to repeal, replace, and publish amended regulatory language to COMAR 13A.12.04.03 *Superintendents*.

Request permission to promulgate and publish new regulatory language to COMAR 13A.12.01.06-1 *Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate*.

After a thorough discussion by the PSTEB and questions to Mr. Derek Simonsen about what the next steps were, a motion was entertained.

**Discussion**

Ms. Spross presented the recommendations of the State Board to the PSTEB members. The members did not agree with the *Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate*. Both the SBOE and the PSTEB agreed that the requirements for superintendent I and Superintendent II address the concerns with the current regulations and create a career ladder for superintendent. All of the PSTEB members clearly expressed their concern in regards to letter “C” (Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate) requirements. Specific concerns include:

- Local Boards do not want this.
- The need for leadership with PreK-12 experience.
- Would the State Board approve someone like this for State Superintendent?
- Teachers would not respect an individual without experience in education.
- The need for stability in a superintendent and the one year interim period does not promote stability
- Credit count is a back door way to get in the position.
- Question if this decision propels Maryland forward or moves it backwards
- Agree that the Superintendent I and II address the problems with the current regulation

After a thorough discussion and getting clarification from Mr. Derek Simonsen on what the next steps would be, a motion was entertained by the PSTEB.

Dr. Alyssia James entertained a motion to deny publication of **COMAR 13A.12.04.03 (Superintendents)** as written and approved by the State Board.

**MOTION:** Mr. Christopher Lloyd/Mr. Darren Hornbeck

To deny publication of **COMAR 13A.12.04.03** as written and approved by the State Board. (17-0-1)

Dr. Alyssia James entertained a motion to deny publication of **COMAR 13A.12.01.06-1 (Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate)**.

**MOTION:** Mr. Christopher Lloyd/Mr. Darren Hornbeck

To deny publication of **COMAR 13A.12.01.06-1.** (17-0-1)

After taking action on the two above items, the PSTEB discussed putting forth an amended version of the COMAR 13A.12.04.03 (Superintendents). The amended version stripped out all of “C” (Extraordinary Career Leader Certificate) requirements.

**Approve 2019 Meeting Dates (Attachment IV)**

Dr. James entertained a motion to approve the 2019 calendar as presented.

**MOTION:** Ms. Debra Poesse/Ms. Geralda Thompson To approve the 2019 meeting calendar as presented. (17-0-1)

**Elections:**

Dr. James nominated Christopher Lloyd to be the new chair for PSTEB. A motion was entertained to elect Christopher Lloyd the new chair for PSTEB.

**MOTION:** Ms. Maleeta Kitchen/Ms. Jennifer Berkley To elect Mr. Christopher Lloyd as the new chair of PSTEB. (17-0-1)

Mr. Christopher Lloyd entertained a motion to re-elect Maleeta Kitchen as the vice-chair of PSTEB.

**MOTION:** Ms. Debra Poesse/Ms. Geralda Thompson To re-elect Maleeta Kitchen as the vice-chair of PSTEB. (17-0-1)

**Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education Update**

Ms. Spross gave the PSTEB a brief update on the Kirwan Commission meeting, and what Workgroup 2: High Quality Teachers and Leaders, are working on. The meeting was held on September 20, 2018.

Mr. Llyod asked the Board members to spend some time on the documents from Workgroup 2. He asked the members to forward any questions they had in regards to the information from workgroup 2 to either him or Ruth.

**Elementary Reading (Literacy) – Course Revision Update – Attachment V**

Ms. Michelle Dunkle provided a brief update on the Elementary Reading (Literacy) Course Revision.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Mr. Christopher Lloyd entertained a motion to adjourn the October meeting.

**MOTION:** Ms. Linda Chinnia/Dr. Alyssia James To adjourn the meeting. (17-0-1)

**Meeting adjourned 12:16 p.m.**