

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Legislation and Bylaws Committee

June 2, 2010
8:30 a.m.
State Office Building
Hartford, CT

MINUTES

Members Present

Theresa Hopkins-Staten, Janet Finneran, Jay Voss and Hunter Kodama. Kathleen O'Connor was absent.

Staff Present

Mark McQuillan, George Coleman, Daniel Murphy, and Janice Dinnall.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:36 a.m.

Approval of May 5, 2010 Meeting Minutes

The May 5, 2010, meeting minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Janet Finneran, seconded by Jay Voss.

Legislative Update

The Commissioner reviewed the preliminary summary of education legislation approved by the General Assembly in the 2010 Regular Session. Among a general overview of legislation, the following items were discussed:

- An Act Concerning Student Athletes and Concussions. The Commissioner stated that it was anticipated that the Board would provisionally approve program of study today.
- An Act Concerning Vocational-Technical Schools. The Commissioner brought out that a major component of this law is that three new members would join the State Board of Education. Two new members would be required to have industrial, trade or technical school experience and one member would be required to have experience in agriculture.

- An Act Concerning Education Reform in Connecticut. The Commissioner stated that this law enhanced the State's ability to win Race to the Top ("RTTT").

Update on Phase II RTTT Application

The Commissioner informed the Committee that the RTTT application was delivered and that by July the finalists would be chosen and announced.

Theresa Hopkins-Staten recommended to the Committee that the Board pass a resolution at its July meeting acknowledging all employees who worked on the RTTT application.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.