

**CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford**

Minutes

June 2, 2010, Meeting

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the State Board of Education (hereinafter "Board") met on Wednesday, June 2, 2010. The meeting was held at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Present: Allan Taylor, Chairperson
Janet Finneran, Vice Chairperson
Beverly Bobroske
Lynne Farrell
Theresa Hopkins-Staton
Hannah Klein
Hunter Kodama
Patricia Luke
Jay Voss

Absent: Kathleen O'Connor
Pamela Partridge West
Michael Meotti, Ex-Officio

II. Public Participation

1. Tom Cronin, Representing the RESC Alliance, spoke to the Board on how the Alliance collectively reviewed the proposed regulations and is in support of the new regulations for Special Education Teacher and Intervention Specialist PK-12. Mr. Cronin's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.
2. Karen Beyard, Professor of Educational Leadership at Central Connecticut State University, expressed support for the content requirements of the proposed teacher leader certificate and offered suggestions regarding implementation of the proposed regulation. Ms. Beyard's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.

3. Marilyn Scanlan White, Legislative Chair, Connecticut Reading Association, expressed support for the proposal for certification of Literacy Specialist, and asked that the title include Literacy Coach. She spoke to the Board regarding the need to follow International Reading Association (IRA) standards for Reading Professionals, so that our training universities around the state will continue to receive accreditation through NCATE. Mrs. White's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.
4. Sandra Mangan, President of the Connecticut Reading Association, spoke in support of one certification of Literacy Specialist and the IRA's standards for administrator candidates. Ms. Mangan's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.
5. Jackie Greene, Vice President, the Connecticut Reading Association, supports minimum of two courses in reading and writing at content level. Mrs. Greene's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.
6. Bob Rath, President and CEO of Our Piece of the Pie, spoke in support of Hartford's proposed corrective action order. Mr. Rath's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.
7. David Calchera, Director of Policy, CAPSS, stated that there is consensus regarding the proposal concerning Special Education and the Literacy Specialist. Mr. Calchera stated that he would support the teacher leader endorsement as an optional endorsement.
8. Joshua Starr, Superintendent, Stamford Public Schools, spoke in support of the JM Wright Technical School proposal. He stated that the Stamford region is in need of a strong, vibrant technical high school.
9. Bill Troy, Executive Director, Highville Charter School, spoke in support of the renewal of the charter (agenda item VI.B.).
10. Alexis Highsmith, Chair, Board of Directors at Highville Charter School, spoke in support of the renewal of the charter and thanked the State Department staff for their help.
11. Lloyd Johnson, Executive Director, ISAAC Charter School, spoke in support of the renewal of the charter (agenda item VI.C.). He also thanked Ms. Hopkins-Staten for chairing the public hearing and Robert Kelly, Education Consultant, State Department of Education, for his support.

12. Kate Fioravanti, Head Teacher at ISAAC and one of the founding teachers in 1997, explained the success of the school through the music program and how it has carried over to academics.
13. Danielle Smith, Member of the Board of Directors of New Beginnings Family Academy Charter School, spoke in support of the renewal of New Beginnings Family Academy charter (agenda item VI.A.).
14. Deidre Lindsay, parent of one former student and two current New Beginnings Family Academy students, stated that New Beginnings Family Academy recognizes the importance of family and its role in education, and spoke in support of renewing the charter.
15. Thomas Lindsay, 6th grade student at New Beginnings Family Academy, stated he receives good instruction and good citizen skills.
16. Tai Outlaw, 7th grade student at New Beginnings Family Academy, stated that he likes the advanced work (algebra and chemistry). The Academy is preparing students for their futures.
17. Paul Whyte, Principal of New Beginnings Family Academy, thanked the board and Robert Kelly, Education Consultant at the State Department of Education, for their support.
18. Brian Farrell, Director of Special Services, Redding Public Schools and representative of the Connecticut Council of Administrators of Special Education (CONNCASE), stated that given the current SRBI mandates in the state of Connecticut, it is essential that special education teacher enter the work force well-versed in specialized teaching strategies.
19. Mary Loftus Levine, Director of Policy and Professional Practice, Connecticut Education Association (CEA), commented on three of the proposed changes to teacher certification regulations: special education, literacy specialist and teacher leader. Mrs. Loftus Levine's written comments can be found in the official file of this meeting.
20. Linette Branham, Educational Issues Specialist, Connecticut Education Association (CEA), submitted to the Board copies of CEA's proposals for certification in the areas of special education and literacy. A copy of these proposals can be found in the official file of this meeting.

21. John Mattas, Connecticut Association for Private Special Education Facilities, stated that he agrees with cross endorsement for teachers of students with severe disabilities. Mr. Mattas stated that training and mentoring is critical, and recommended that we look at the outcomes of different models (e.g., Boston residency).

IV. Consideration of Minutes of May 5, 2010, State Board of Education Meeting

Mrs. Luke moved, Ms. Finneran seconded, that the Board approve the minutes of the May 5, 2010, State Board of Education meeting.

VOTE: In Favor: Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staton, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: Bobroske
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McQuillan introduced Shervin Etemad and Julia Suave, Members of the State Student Advisory Council on Education (SSACE), to the Board. Mr. Etemad and Miss Suave summarized the Council's work during the 2009-2010 year. This year the group chose to focus its attention on the teacher feedback forms, citizen proposals and State Board of Education student selection process. Discussion followed.

V.C. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on J.M. Wright Technical High School

Patricia Ciccone, Superintendent, Connecticut Technical High School System, and Jack Condlin, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on J.M. Wright Technical High School, presented the report to the Board. Discussion followed.

V.B. Position Statement on Admission to a Connecticut Technical High School

Patricia Ciccone, Superintendent, Connecticut Technical High School (CTHSS), Jim Chasse, Education Consultant, CTHSS, Bea Tinty, Education Consultant, CTHSS, Kim Traverso, Education Consultant, CTHSS and Ray Mencio, Education Consultant, CTHSS, presented the report to the Board.

Mrs. Bobroske moved, Ms. Finneran seconded, that the passing grade of 65 be set for Class of 2014 for Exploratory Program.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske
Opposed: Luke, Finneran, Farrell, Taylor, Voss, Hopkins-Staten
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion failed.

Mrs. Hopkins-Staten moved, Mrs. Luke seconded, that there be a pass/fail standard, using a rubric, for the Exploratory Program.

VOTE: In Favor: Hopkins-Staten, Luke
Opposed: Bobroske, Finneran, Farrell, Taylor, Voss
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion failed.

V. D. Decision Concerning Participating in Healthy Food Certification

Mrs. Bobroske moved, Ms. Finneran seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 10-215b of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves that the Connecticut Technical High School System will not participate in the Healthy Food Certification for the 2010-2011 school year, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.A. Renewal of Charter: New Beginnings Family Academy

Mrs. Luke moved, Ms. Finneran seconded, that the Board, pursuant to subsection (g) of Section 10-66bb of the Connecticut General Statutes, renews the charter of New Beginnings Family Academy from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2015, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor
Opposed: 0
Abstained: Voss
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.B. Renewal of Charter: Highville Charter School

Ms. Finneran moved, Mrs. Hopkins-Staten seconded, that the Board, pursuant to subsection (g) of Section 10-66bb of the Connecticut General Statutes, renews the charter of Highville Charter School from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2015, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.C. Renewal of Charter: ISAAC

Mrs. Bobroske moved, Mrs. Hopkins-Staten seconded, that the Board, pursuant to subsection (g) of Section 10-66bb of the Connecticut General Statutes, renews the charter of Interdistrict School for Arts and Communication from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2015, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board recessed its meeting at 12:55 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:50 p.m. Present were Mrs. Bobroske, Dr. Farrell, Ms. Finneran, Mr. Kodama, Ms. Klein, Mrs. Luke, Mrs. Hopkins-Staten, Mr. Taylor and Dr. Voss. Commissioner Meotti, Mrs. Partridge West and Mrs. O'Connor were absent.

VI.D. ETS/Praxis: Setting "Excellent" Score on Shortage Content Exam

Mrs. Luke moved, Dr. Farrell seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 10-145f of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended by Public Act 09-01, Section 10, adopts excellence scores for subject area assessments in designated shortage areas, and directs the Commissioner to take necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.E. ETS/Praxis: Validating New Exams (Special Education and Business Education)

Mrs. Luke moved, Mrs. Bobroske seconded, that the Board, establishes a passing standard for the updated Praxis business education test and for the adoption and standard setting of a new Praxis special education test, in accordance with Subsection (d) of Section 10-145f of the Connecticut General Statutes, and directs the Commissioner to take necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.F. Revised Change to Ad Hoc Committee to Study Funding for Public School Choice Programs

Mrs. Luke moved, Mrs. Hopkins-Staten seconded, that the Board rescinds its March 3, 2010, resolution, as amended, to form the Ad Hoc Committee to Study Funding for Public School Choice Program; and

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education approves the proposal to form an Ad Hoc Committee to Study Education Cost Sharing and Choice Funding, as described in Commissioner McQuillan's June 2, 2010, memorandum to the State Board of Education, including the charge to the committee; the objectives, deliverables, and timelines; and the appointments thereto; and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

Mr. Taylor requested that the technical high schools be added to the first sentence of the introductory paragraph of the Commissioner's June 2, 2010 memorandum.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.G. Approval of Training Course Regarding Concussions and Head Injuries

Mrs. Luke moved, Ms. Finneran seconded, that the Board, conditionally approves the Training Course Materials on Concussions and Head Injuries, developed by the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) through September 30, 2010, in accordance with Public Act No. 10-62, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board voted to add the following agenda items: VI.H., Recognition of Student Member, Hannah Klein and VI.I., Recognition of Student Member, Hunter Kodama.

VI.H. Recognition of Student Member - Hannah Klein

Mrs. Luke moved, Mrs. Finneran seconded the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes provides for the appointment of two student members to the Connecticut State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Governor M. Jodi Rell appointed Hannah Klein of Woodbridge to the State Board of Education for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure, Ms. Klein has served with distinction and has contributed greatly to the Board's discussions of education policy issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Hannah Klein appreciation for her commitment to educational excellence and equity in Connecticut public schools and best wishes for success in her future endeavors.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VI.I. Recognition of Student Member – Hunter Kodama

Ms. Finneran moved, Mrs. Luke seconded the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes provides for the appointment of two student members to the Connecticut State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Governor M. Jodi Rell appointed Hunter Kodama of North Stonington to the State Board of Education for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Mr. Kodama has served with distinction and has contributed greatly to the Board's discussions of education policy issues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education extends to Hunter Kodama appreciation for his commitment to educational excellence and equity in Connecticut public schools and best wishes for success in his future endeavors.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Report of the Chair - Mr. Taylor distributed a written report, which is in the official file of this meeting, and includes the following:

- Mr. Taylor requested that the Board bring their calendars to the July 7 meeting, in order to schedule the 2010 retreat;
- Mr. Taylor discussed with the Board when the July 2011 meeting should be scheduled. The consensus of the Board was to schedule for the second week of July. The Board will be voting on this item later on in the meeting.
- Mr. Taylor commented on the accomplishments of this year's legislative session, bill signing, and submission of Phase II Race to the Top.
- If any members are interested in attending one of our CTHSS graduation ceremonies, please contact Janet D'Onofrio.

VIII. Report of Commissioner -- Commissioner McQuillan distributed a written report, which is in the official file of this meeting, and includes the following:

Comprehensive Plan Priorities

Priority 1: Early Childhood Education

- Submission of Invitational ECE Response to RttT

Priority 2: Academic Achievement, Achievement Gaps

- Completion of Title I SIG grants
- Letters of Support to i3 district applicants

Priority 3: Secondary School Reform

- Completion of NCEE MOU for Board Examination Pilots

Sheff Comprehensive Management Plan

- Staffing for RSCO Office

Operations

- Biweekly Meetings of Communications Committee
- Weekly Meetings of RTTT Steering Committee
- Preparation for PJ Case
- PARS Evaluation of Cabinet Administrators

Statewide Meetings

- Preparation for P20 Council Meeting with Commissioner Meotti
- New England Secondary School Consortium Meeting in NH
- Completion of RTTT Application

X. Consent Agenda

Mr. Taylor removed agenda item X.B., State Board of Education 2011 Meeting Schedule and Mrs. Luke removed agenda item X.C., Adoption of Audit Plan from the consent agenda.

Mrs. Luke moved, Mrs. Bobroske seconded, that the Board approve the following item on the Consent Agenda: X.A., Charter School Enrollment Authorization; X.D., Recognition of GED Scholar; X.E., Recognition of Connecticut Association for Adult Continuing Education Students; X.F., Recognition of Career and Technical Student Organizations Community Service Awards; X.G., Recognition of Blue Ribbon Schools; X.H., Recognition of National Board Certified Teachers; X.I., Achievement First Hartford: Pilot Program for Inclusion of Data to Determine Host District Adequate Yearly Progress and X.J., Approval of Guidelines for the TEAM Program

X.A. Charter School Enrollment Authorization

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Section 10-66bb(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves the distribution of 540 additional seats among the existing charter schools for the 2010-11 school year, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

X.D. Recognition of GED Scholar

WHEREAS, Shawn Perkins, a resident of Norwich, has demonstrated exceptional skill and proficiency in the five subject areas of the high school equivalency examination by attaining a score of 3820 on the General Educational Development Tests in 2009; and

WHEREAS, He has been named the Connecticut resident with the highest score on the examination by the General Educational Development Testing Service of the American Council on Education; and

WHEREAS, His achievement will receive national attention as Connecticut's outstanding General Educational Development participant; and

WHEREAS, He has brought honor to himself, to the State Board of Education and the State of Connecticut; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education honors Shawn Perkins with great appreciation for his accomplishment in a major adult education endeavor.

X.E. Recognition of Connecticut Association for Adult Continuing Education Students

WHEREAS, Adult education exemplifies the concept of lifelong learning with over sixteen thousand Connecticut residents in adult basic education/secondary school completion programs and over fourteen thousand Connecticut residents in English as a second language and U.S. Citizenship preparation programs during the 2009 school year;

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Association for Adult and Continuing Education (CAACE), through its CAACE Student Award, recognized three individuals who have overcome numerous obstacles and hardships to persist and succeed in adult education; and

WHEREAS, These individuals exemplify the spirit and determination necessary to achieve a goal and serve as role models to all adult and young learners in our communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Connecticut State Board of Education recognizes the following individuals for their accomplishment in this major adult education endeavor:

Beatriz Gonzalez	Bristol Adult Education
Rosemarie Isaac	Norwich Adult Education
Maria Medina	Bridgeport Adult Education

**X.F. Recognition of Career and Technical Student Organizations
Community Service Awards**

WHEREAS: Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) are a co-curricular, integral part of the local, state and national career and technical education programs; and

WHEREAS: The development of individual student leadership skills is the keystone of these organizations; and

WHEREAS: All CTSO chapters were asked to identify an outstanding service project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNIZES THE FOLLOWING CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS' OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS:

Distributive Education Clubs of America	DECA	Hamden High School Bryan Anderson, Chapter Advisor
Future Business Leaders of America	FBLA	Southington High School Cynthia Davey, Chapter Advisor
Formerly known as Future Farmers of America	FFA	Nonnewaug High School, Woodbury Erika Peterson, Sarah LaRose, William Davenport, Chapter Advisors
Health Occupations Students of America	HOSA	Bunnell High School, Stratford Melissa Signor, Chapter Advisor

X.G.1. Recognition of Blue Ribbon Schools

WHEREAS: The Thomas Hooker School in Meriden, CT, has demonstrated dramatic improvement in student performance on state assessments in reading and mathematics; and

WHEREAS: This school was honored as a 2009 Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education; and

WHEREAS: The Thomas Hooker School has brought great honor to Meriden and the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS: The school was honored at festivities in Washington, D.C., on November 2-3, 2009; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORS THE THOMAS HOOKER SCHOOL WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR ITS ACHIEVEMENTS.

X.G.2. Recognition of Blue Ribbon Schools

WHEREAS: The East Ridge Middle School in Ridgefield, CT, has demonstrated dramatic improvement in student performance on state assessments in reading and mathematics; and

WHEREAS: This school was honored as a 2009 Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education; and

WHEREAS: The East Ridge Middle School has brought great honor to Ridgefield and the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS: The school was honored at festivities in Washington, D.C., on November 2-3, 2009; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORS THE EAST RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR ITS ACHIEVEMENTS.

X.G.3. Recognition of Blue Ribbon Schools

WHEREAS: The Bedford Middle School in Westport, CT, has demonstrated dramatic improvement in student performance on state assessments in reading and mathematics; and

WHEREAS: This school was honored as a 2009 Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education; and

WHEREAS: The Bedford Middle School has brought great honor to Westport and the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS: The school was honored at festivities in Washington, D.C., on November 2-3, 2009; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORS THE BEDFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR ITS ACHIEVEMENTS.

X.H. Recognition of National Board Certified Teachers

WHEREAS: Christopher Poulos, a high school teacher at Joel Barlow High School in Redding, CT, has demonstrated exemplary teaching skills; and

WHEREAS: He has achieved National Board Certification through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; and

WHEREAS: He serves as a model of accomplished teaching for other educators in his district and state; and

WHEREAS: He has brought great honor to his school district, his community and his profession; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORS CHRISTOPHER POULOS WITH GREAT APPRECIATION FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO STRENGTHENING THE PROFESSION OF TEACHING.

X.I. Achievement First Hartford: Pilot Program for Inclusion of Data to Determine Host District Adequate Yearly Progress

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Section 10-223f of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves the agreement between the Hartford Board of Education and the Achievement First Hartford Academy Board of Directors to take part in a pilot program for the inclusion of charter school data to determine Hartford Public School's adequate yearly progress (AYP), and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

X.J. Approval of Guidelines for the TEAM Program

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education adopts Guidelines for the Teacher Education And Mentoring (TEAM) Program in accordance with Section 10-145o of the Connecticut General Statutes, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE	In Favor:	Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
ON	Opposed:	0
MOTIONS:	Abstained:	0
	Absent:	O'Connor, Partridge West

Motions carried unanimously.

X.B. State Board of Education 2011 Meeting Schedule

Mrs. Bobroske moved, Mrs. Luke seconded, that the Board, pursuant to Section 1-225 of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves the following meeting schedule for the period August 2010 through December 2011:

September 1, 2010
October 6, 2010
November 3, 2010
December 1, 2010
January 5, 2011
February 2, 2011
March 2, 2011
April 6, 2011
May 4, 2011
June 1, 2011
July 13, 2011
August 3, 2011
September 7, 2011
October 5, 2011
November 2, 2011
December 7, 2011

and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

X.C. Adoption of Annual Audit Plan

Mrs. Luke moved, Ms. Finneran seconded, that the Board adopts the Annual Audit Plan for the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

VOTE: In Favor: Bobroske, Farrell, Finneran, Hopkins-Staten, Luke, Taylor, Voss
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: O'Connor, Partridge West

Motion carried unanimously.

XI.A. Draft Position Statement on the Education of English Language Learners

Dr. Martinez, Associate Commissioner, Division of Teaching, Learning & Instructional Leadership; and Marie Salazar Glowski, Education Consultant, Bureau of Accountability and Improvement, presented the report to the Board. Discussion ensued.

XI.B. Update on Results of Sheff Lottery

Deputy Commissioner George Coleman; Kathy Demsey, Unit Coordinator, Sheff Office; Regina Hopkins, Education Consultant, Sheff Office and Robin Cecere, Staff Attorney presented the update to the Board. Discussion followed.

XI.C. Discussion of the Public Comments on the Proposed Regulations Concerning State Educator Certificates, Permits and Authorizations

Dr. Martinez, Associate Commissioner, Division of Teaching, Learning & Instructional Leadership, Nancy Pugliese, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Educator Standards and Certification; and Georgette Nemr, Education Consultant, Bureau of Educator Standards and Certification presented the report to the Board. Discussion ensued.

XII. Committee Reports

- **Finance, Audit and Department Matters** – Mrs. Luke reported that the committee met on May 20 to discuss the Audit Plan.
- **Legislation and Bylaws Committee** – Mrs. Hopkins-Staten reported that the committee met this morning and staff presented the committee with a summary of the 2010 Legislative Session.

By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Prepared by: _____
Mark K. McQuillan, Secretary