

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Legislation and Bylaws Committee

January 18, 2012  
Legislative Office Building, Room 2600  
Hartford, CT

**(PENDING APPROVAL)**

**Members Present**

Theresa Hopkins-Staten, Ellen Camhi, Ferdinand Risco, Terry Jones, Simon Brewer and Joshua Friedman.

**Staff Present**

Shana Kennedy Salchow, Adam Goldfarb, Pamela Charland and Janice Dinnall.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Ms. Hopkins-Staten introduced and welcomed Shana Kennedy Salchow, Policy Director, to the Committee. She also recognized Attorney Matthew Venhorst, Division of Legal and Governmental Affairs ("DLGA"), as the liaison between the LBC and the DLGA.

**Approval of November 2, 2011, Meeting Minutes**

The November 2, 2011, meeting minutes were approved with change, unanimously on a motion by Ferdinand Risco, seconded by Ellen Camhi.

**Update on Legislation**

Shana Kennedy-Salchow gave an update on the legislative technical changes. She spoke in detail about the five proposals to be added to the 2012 Technical Legislative Proposals. She stated that the State Department of Education is working closely with the Governor's Office to develop the legislative package. Ms. Kennedy-Salchow discussed the following six areas outlined by the Governor as part of the State's education reform:-

1. Early education access and quality.

2. Increase in high quality options.
3. Turning around Connecticut's lowest performing schools.
4. Having the best teachers and leaders.
5. Targeting resources to schools with the greatest need.
6. Removing red tape.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Ms. Hopkins-Staten at 10:43 p.m.