

CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Hartford

Minutes of the
February 26, 2018
Academic Standards and Assessment Committee Meeting

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the Academic Standards and Assessment Committee met on Monday, February 26, 2018, at the State Department of Education, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut.

Call to Order

Committee member Estela Lopez called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Present: Allan Taylor
Estela Lopez
Maria I. Mojica

Call In: Erik M. Clemons

Staff Present: Ellen Cohn
Melissa Hickey
Jennifer Michalek
Ron Michaels

Guest: Douglas Casey, Executive Director for the Commission for Educational Technology

I. Approval of the Minutes of the December 11, 2017, Academic Standards and Assessment Committee Meeting

Estela Lopez moved, Allan Taylor seconded, that the committee approve the minutes of the December 11, 2017, Academic Standards and Assessment Committee meeting.

Vote:	In Favor:	Taylor, Lopez
	Abstained:	Clemons, Mojica
	Opposed:	0
	Absent:	0

Motion carried.

II. and III. Introduction to International Standards for Technology Education (ISTE) Standards and the K-12 Computer Science Standards and Implementation Document

Estela Lopez raised a question regarding the commonalities of the International Standards for Technology Education (ISTE) Standards and the Computer Science Standards. Jennifer Michalek, Education Consultant in the Academic Office, and Douglas Casey, Executive Director for the Commission for Education Technology, shared that both sets of standards were written by national experts and were designed to complement each other. Ms. Michalek shared that Massachusetts created a single document and shared that 295 individuals had completed the Computer Science Standards survey with an overwhelmingly positive response to moving these standards forward for adoption. Mr. Casey shared data from an online survey and from a public input session on the proposed ISTE Student Standards.

Based upon questions from the committee, at the next committee meeting on April 4, 2018, Ms. Michalek and Mr. Casey will present a description and graphical representation of the connectedness of the standards to assist in guiding a discussion about whether the standards should be presented as a single, combined document or as two separate documents. In addition, an update on broadband access in Connecticut households and geographical information will be provided by Mr. Casey.

IV. Introduction to the Position Statement on Comprehensive STEM Education for All Students K-12

Ron Michaels, Education Consultant in the Academic Office, presented the revised Position Statement on Comprehensive STEM Education for All Students K-12 for review. Ron Michaels shared the changes that were made to the position statement based on the feedback gathered from the committee at the December 11, 2017, Academic Standards and Assessment Committee meeting.

The committee approved moving the Position Statement on Comprehensive STEM Education for All Students K-12 forward to the full board during the July 18, 2018, State Board of Education meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Prepared by Suzanne Alicea

Minutes approved at the April 4, 2018 Meeting