MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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May 26, 2011

The 301th meeting of the State Board of Education was convened on Thursday, May 26, 2011. Public notice of the meeting was made in accordance with the Sunshine Meeting Act of 1986. The meeting was called to order at 11:14 a.m. by Larry Wittig, Chairman.

Attending:

James Barker (phone)	Dan Fogarty (phone)	Mollie Phillips (phone)
Wendy Beetlestone (phone)	Kirk Hallett	Karen Farmer White (phone)
Connie Davis (phone)	Francis Michelini	Larry Wittig
Sandra Dungee Glenn (phone)	Jonathan Peri (phone)	Lee Williams (phone)

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Chairman Wittig welcomed all Board members on the phone and those attending in person.

PRESENTATION OF PSSA-M READING AND SCIENCE CUTS SCORES AND PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS

John Weiss, Director of the Bureau of Assessment and Accountability, presented PDE's recommended cut scores and performance level descriptors for the PSSA-M in reading and science. Mr. Weiss was joined on the phone by Scott Bishop, Patty McDivitt and Christian Schiller from Data Recognition Corporation. Mr. Weiss reminded the Board that he made a presentation on the process used to establish PSSA-M cut scores during the Board's May 18, 2011 meeting and briefly reviewed the process again. He then presented the PSSA-M reading and science narrative performance level descriptors and the Department's recommended cut scores.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

0526.1 PSSA-M PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS AND CUT SCORES

A motion to approve the PSSA-M performance level descriptors and cut scores was made by Michelini and seconded by Dungee Glenn

VOTE: All were in favor as indicated by unanimous voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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