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**MINUTES OF THE
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Atlanta, Georgia
Wanda Barrs, Chairman**

**May 11, 2011
Dr. John Barge, Superintendent**

The State Board of Education met on Wednesday, May 11, at 8:00 a.m. in the State Board Room for an official one-day meeting, combining the Committee of the Whole with the regular State Board meeting.

Roll Call

Mrs. Wanda Barrs	Mr. Brian Burdette	Ms. Barbara Hampton
Ms. Linda Zechmann	Dr. Grant Lewis	Mr. Kenneth Mason
Dr. Mary Sue Murray	Dr. Elizabeth Ragsdale	Mr. Allen Rice
Ms. Helen Odom Rice	Mr. Mike Royal	Mr. Larry Winter

Absent: Mr. Daniel Israel

Executive Session

At 8:05 a.m., by motion of Mr. Royal, seconded by Dr. Lewis, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing waivers, appeals, legal and personnel matters. The Chair announced at 9:05 a.m. that the Board would recess from the Executive Session to convene to the below described Board Committees.

The Board Committee meeting, Budget/Finance Committee, Charter Committee and Policy/Rules Committee were convened by the Executive Session.

At 12:05 p.m. the Board concluded its unfinished Committee items. At 1:10 p.m., by motion of Dr. Ragsdale, seconded by Dr. Lewis, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to come out of Executive Session.

Inspiration/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Brian Burdette, State Board Representative from the Tenth Congressional District, introduced Mr. Arlie Collins, Greene County School Board President, Dr. Barbara Pulliam Davis, Superintendent, and Ms. Cindy Bricton, Assistant Superintendent who gave the inspirational message and Mrs. Barrs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION ITEMS

(Please note that the items in their entirety, with backup material and attachments, can be found on the State Board of Education's E-Board website, May 11, 2011 State Board Meeting.)

AGENDA

By motion of Dr. Ragsdale, seconded by Ms. Rice, a unanimous affirmative vote was given to approve the agenda for the May 11, 2011 State Board Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Chair called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Board Member Ms. Zechmann raised a question on the language in Rule 160-7-1-.01 Single Statewide Accountability System. The Chair asked Ms. Zechmann if she would be in agreement to have the Rule removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda for a vote. Ms. Zechmann agreed. The Chair asked the Board if there was any objection; there being none the item was placed on the Agenda for separate action.

1. **FY11 Grant – Grant for High Cost Fund for Special Education Services.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to selected Local Education Agencies (LEAs) at a cost not to exceed \$2,831,312 in Federal Funds for expenses of students whose direct instructional and related services exceed \$27,000 in individual annual costs.
2. **FY12 Contract – Due Process Hearings for Special Education.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with the Office of State Administrative Hearings (OSAH) at a cost not to exceed \$250,000 in State/Federal Funds for due process hearings for special education.
3. **FY11 Contract – National Center for the Improvement of Educational Assessments.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with the National Center for the Improvement of Educational Assessments (NCIEA) at a cost not to exceed \$75,000 in Other Funds for technical assistance in the development of a strategic, integrated assessment plan to coordinate Georgia's Race to the Top assessment initiatives.
4. **Grant – FY11 Amended Budget – Agricultural Education.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to the LEA fiscal agent for Camp John Hope – Houston County at a cost not to exceed \$28,000 in state grant funds for Agricultural Education Youth Camp Grant.
5. **FY12 Contract – Governor's Honors Program Facilities and Services.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia on behalf of Valdosta State University at a cost not to exceed \$517,349 in State Funds for providing facilities and services for the 2011 (July) and 2012 (June) Governor's Honors Programs.

6. **FY12 Grant – Title I, Part A, 1003(g) RESA School Improvement Grants.**
Authorized the State School Superintendent to award a grant to Regional Educational Service Agencies (RESAs) at a cost not to exceed \$1,840,000 in Federal Funds for school improvement services to Title I schools in Needs Improvement levels 1-3.
7. **Grant Amendment – Title I, Part Allocation for Odyssey/Georgia Cyber Academy.**
Authorized the State School Superintendent to amend the FY11 Title I, Part A grant with Odyssey/Georgia Cyber Academy (GCA) by the amount of \$351,499 for a cost not to exceed \$488,507,479 in Federal Funds for the purpose of increasing the FY11 Title I, Part A allocation due to significant expansion of the number of eligible Title I students who may be served by GCA.
8. **Contract – 21st Century Community Learning Centers Cayen After School Data Management System.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to enter into a contract with Cayen Systems, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$86,000 in Federal Funds for the Cayen After School data management system for 21st Century Community Learning Centers.
9. **Contract – FY2012 State Salary Schedule.** Authorized the State Superintendent of Schools to adopt the FY 2012 (School Year 2011/2012) salary schedule for which funding has been appropriated by the General Assembly.
10. **Conversion Charter Petition – C. J. Hicks Elementary School.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to deny a charter for C.J. Hicks Elementary School, a K-5 conversion charter school approved by Rockdale County Schools.
11. **Conversion Charter Petition – Spout Springs Elementary School of Enrichment.**
Authorized the State School Superintendent to grant a charter for Spout Springs Elementary School of Enrichment, a grade K-5 conversion charter school approved by Hall County Board of Education.
12. **Georgia Charter Schools Commission New Appointment.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to appoint Melanie Stockwell to the Georgia Charter Schools Commission.
13. **Rule 160-4-2-.12 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM PLAN (Initiation).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rule making procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-2-.12 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM PLAN.
14. **Rule 160-4-5-.02 LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE: PROGRAM FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS (ELs) (Initiation).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-5-.02 LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE: PROGRAM FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS (ELs).

15. **Rule 160-4-8-.09 STUDENT ADVISEMENT (Initiation).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-8-.09 STUDENT ADVISEMENT.
16. **Rules – Single Statewide Accountability System (Initiation/Repeal).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to repeal State Board of Education Rules 160-7-1-.01 Single Statewide Accountability System, 160-7-1-.02 Accountability System Definitions, 160-7-1-.03 Accountability Profile, and 160-7-1-.04 Accountability System Awards and Consequences.
17. **Rule 160-5-6-.01 STATEWIDE SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM (Initiation).** Authorized the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-5-6-.01 Statewide School Nutrition Program.
18. **System Waiver – Guidance Counselors – Camden county Schools.** The State Board of Education (SBOE) approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Camden County School System’s waiver request of SBOE Rule 160-4-8-.05 Guidance Counselors and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-182(c) as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
19. **System Waiver – Middle School Programs – Dalton City Schools.** The State Board of Education (SBOE) approved for the 2011-2012 school year, the Dalton City School System’s waiver request of SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.05 Middle School Programs and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-290 as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244.
20. **Administrative Waiver – Jasper County Schools.** The State Board of Education (SBOE) approved the Jasper County School System’s waiver request of SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.13 Regional Educational Service Agencies (RESA) section (1)(e) so as to be moved from the Oconee RESA to the Middle Georgia RESA beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.
21. **Georgia Performance Standards for Geospatial Science and Technology Courses.** The State Board of Education approved the Georgia Performance Standards for Geospatial Science and Technology Courses for two Career Technical and Agricultural Education pathway course electives.
22. **Five-Year Local Facilities Plans.** The State Board of Education approved the Five-Year Local Facilities Plans of the School Systems on the attached list. (The attached list can be found on E-Board.)
23. **Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Approved Providers List 2011-2012 School Year.** Authorized the State School Superintendent to approve the attached list of 34 recommended Supplemental Education Services (SES) Providers for the 2011-2012 school year. (The attached list can be found on E-Board.)

24. **System Waiver – Catoosa County Schools.** The State Board of Education (SBOE) approved for the 2010-2011 school year, the Catoosa County School System’s waiver of certain provisions of SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.02 School Day and School Year for Students and Employees, SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.48 High School Graduation Requirements for Students Enrolling in the Ninth Grade for the First Time in the 2008-09 School Year and Subsequent Years, SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.47 High School Graduation Requirements for Students Enrolling in the Ninth Grade for the First Time in the 2002-03 School Year and Subsequent Years, 160-4-2-.05 Middle School Program Criteria, SBOE Rule 160-4-5-.01 Remedial Education, SBOE 160-4-2-.13 Statewide Passing Score, SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.11 Promotion, Placement, and Retention, and SBOE Rule 160-3-1-.07 Testing Programs – Student Assessment as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-168 (c) (2) and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-244 and O.C.G.A. § 50-13-9.1.

25. **Start-Up Charter Petitions – Destiny Achievers Academy of Excellence.** The State Board of Education granted a charter for Destiny Achievers Academy of Excellence, a grades 9-12 start-up charter school approved by the DeKalb County Board of Education, for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2016.

26. **Variance Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests or the Georgia High School Writing Test** Approved the requests for a variance of the identified portions(s) of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for the following cases:

Mathematics: 11-0741, 11-0758, 11-0812

Mathematics and Science: 11-0699

Mathematics and Social Studies: N/A

Science: 11-0700, 11-0701, 11-0723, 11-0725, 11-0740, 11-0750, 11-0759, 11-0761, 11-0785, 11-0809, 11-0811, 11-0813, 11-0818

Social Studies: 11-0715, 11-0726, 11-0787

Social Studies and Science: N/A

English Language Arts and Social Studies: 11-0774

English Language Arts: 11-0698

Writing: 11-0727, 11-0737, 11-0747, 11-0760, 11-0762, 11-0786, 11-0817

Science and Writing: N/A

27. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) in English Language Arts** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for English Language Arts for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0643E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0649E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0650E	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0654E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0655E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0557E	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0559	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0664E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0670E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0672E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0678E	Deny	Hardship & Disability	English Language Arts
11-0685E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0691E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0711	Approve	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0724	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0733E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0734E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0735E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0736E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0744E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0745E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0751E	Deny	Hardship	English Language Arts

28. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) in Mathematics** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for Mathematics for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0635M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0643M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0649M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0650M	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0654M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0658	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0662	Deny	Hardship	Mathematics
11-0666M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0672M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0685M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0691M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0713M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0733M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0735M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0738M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics
11-0745M	Deny	Disability	Mathematics

29. Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) Science
 Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for Science for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0626	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0640SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0643SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0649SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0651	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0654SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0656	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0657SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0670SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0671	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0672SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0684SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0685SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0686	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0691SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0695SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0706SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0710	Approve	Disability	Science
11-0718SC	Approve	Disability	Science
11-0719SC	Deny	Hardship	Science
11-0733SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0734SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0735SC	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0743	Deny	Disability	Science
11-0753SC	Deny	Hardship	Science

30. Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) in Social Studies
 Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSGT) for Social Studies for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0633	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0634	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0640SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0643SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0645	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0649SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0650SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0652SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0654SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0664SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0666SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0672SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-678SS	Deny	Hardship & Disability	Social Studies
11-0681SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0684SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0685SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0687	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0688	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0691SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0695SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0703	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0704SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-706SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0708	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0712	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0713SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0719SS	Deny	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0721	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0722	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0733SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0734SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0735SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0745SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0748	Approve	Hardship	Social Studies
11-0755	Deny	Disability	Social Studies

31. **Waiver Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSWT) in Writing** Made the following decisions on the waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHSWT) for Writing Test for the students listed below:

Case Number	Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0632	Deny	Hardship	Writing
11-0649W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0652W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0654W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0685W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0689	Approve	Disability	Writing
11-0691W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0702	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0704W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0706W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0729	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0733W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0734W	Deny	Disability	Writing
11-0744W	Deny	Disability	Writing

32. **Waiver Reconsideration Requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT)** Made the following decisions on the reconsidered waiver requests of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for the following cases:

Case Number	Reconsideration Recommendation	Type	Area(s) of Request
11-0469E	Deny	Disability	English Language Arts
11-0469SS	Deny	Disability	Social Studies
11-0607	Deny	Hardship & Disability	Social Studies
11-0717E	Approve	Hardship	English Language Arts
11-0717W	Approve	Hardship	Writing

33. **April 13, 2011 State Board Minutes.** Approved the April 13, 2011 State Board Meeting Minutes.
34. **May 6, 2011 Called State Board Meeting Minutes.** Approved the May 6, 2011 Called State Board Meeting Minutes.
35. **Personnel Actions.** Approved the May 11, 2011 Personnel Action as presented by the State Superintendent of Schools.
36. **Case No. 2011-34. Tracy Haigler, et.al. v Richmond County Board of Education.** The decision of the Local Board is affirmed.
37. **Case No. 2011-47. J.W. v Carroll County Board of Education.** The decision of the Local Board was sustained.
38. **Case No. 2011-48. O.W. v Columbia County Board of Education.** The appeal was dismissed.
39. **Case No. 2011-51. Felita Franklin-Newsome v Clayton County Board of Education.** The decision of the Local Board was sustained.
40. **Case No. 2011-52. J.R. v Oconee County Board of Education.** The decision of the Local Board was sustained.
41. **Case No. 2011-53. Donny ford v Atlanta Independent School System.** The appeal was dismissed.
42. **Case No. 2011-54. J.S. V Ben Hill County Board of Education.** The appeal was dismissed.
43. **Case No. 2011-55. S.S. v Lee County Board of Education.** The appeal was dismissed.

44. **Case No. 2011-56. D.B. v Hart County Board of Education.** The appeal was dismissed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTIONS

1. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0630** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified as Case 11-0630. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 6 voting yes and 6 voting no.
2. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0681E** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified as Case 11-681E. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 3 voting no.
3. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0694** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified as Case 11-0694. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 3 voting yes, 8 voting no, and 1 abstaining.
4. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0738E** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified as Case 11-0738E. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 4 voting yes and 8 voting no.
5. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0756** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for English/Language Arts for the student identified as Case 11-0756. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 2 voting yes and 10 voting no.
6. **Waiver Request – Case 11-00655M** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified as Case 11-0655M. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
7. **Waiver Request - Case 11-0661** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified as Case 11-00661. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 3 voting no.
8. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0718M**– Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Mathematics for the student identified as Case 11-0718M. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.

9. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0635SC** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in Case 11-0635SC. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 4 voting no.
10. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0660** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0660. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 2 voting no.
11. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0697**– Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0697. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
12. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0716** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0716. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 2 voting no.
13. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0732** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0732. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
14. **Waiver Request - Case 11-0738SC** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0738SC. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 8 voting yes and 4 voting no.
15. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0751SC**– Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Science for the student identified in case 11-0751SC. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 5 voting no.
16. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0641** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0641. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 5 voting no.
17. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0642** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0642. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 6 voting yes and 6 voting no.

18. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0644** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0644. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 6 voting yes and 6 voting no.
19. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0646** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0646. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 3 voting no.
20. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0653** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0653. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 1 voting yes and 11 voting no.
21. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0665** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0665. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 12 voting yes.
22. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0667** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0667. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 4 voting yes and 8 voting no.
23. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0677** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0677. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 9 voting yes and 3 voting no.
24. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0680** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0680. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
25. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0696** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0696. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 6 voting yes and 6 voting no.
26. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0707** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0707. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 7 voting no.

27. **Waiver Request - Case 11-0720** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0720. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 5 voting no.
28. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0730** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0730. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
29. **Waiver Request – Case 11-736SS** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-06736SS. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 7 voting no.
30. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0749SS** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0749SS. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 7 voting yes and 5 voting no.
31. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0753SS** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHS GT) for Social Studies for the student identified in case 11-0753SS. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 10 voting yes and 2 voting no.
32. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0693** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0693. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
33. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0728** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0728. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
34. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0731** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0731. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
35. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0739** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHS WT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0739. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 7 voting no.

36. **Waiver Request - Case 11-0746** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0746. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which passed with 11 voting yes and 1 voting no.
37. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0749W** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0749W. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 12 voting no.
38. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0754** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for Writing for the student identified in case 11-0754. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 1 voting yes and 11 voting no.
39. **Waiver Request – Case 11-0683** – Dr. Murray moved to approve the request for a waiver of the Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHSGT) or the Georgia High School Writing Test (GHSWT) for the student identified in case 11-0683. Mr. Mason seconded the motion which was denied with 5 voting yes and 7 voting no.

POLICY/RULE COMMITTEE ITEMS

1. **Revision of State Board Rule 160-5-3-.02 CONTRACTED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES (Adopt)**. Ms. Zechmann moved to approve to repeal State Board Rule 160-5-3-.02. Dr. Murray seconded the motion which was approved with 12 voting yes.
2. **Revision of State Board Rule 160-5-3-.11 STANDARD COST DEVELOPMENT (Adopt)**. Dr. Ragsdale moved to adopt State Board Rule 160-5-3-.11. Ms. Zechmann seconded the motion which was approved with 12 voting yes.
3. **State Board Rule 160-7-1-.01 SINGLE STATEWIDE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM (Initiation)**. Dr. Lewis moved to initiate State Board Rule 160-7-1-.01. Dr. Murray seconded the motion which was approved with 12 voting yes.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Georgia Special Needs Scholarship 2011-2012 Private School List**. Mr. Burdette move to approve Georgia Special Needs Scholarship 2011-2012 Private School List. Mr. Royal seconded the motion which was approved with 11 voting yes and 1 abstaining.

SUPERINTENDENT/CHAIR'S REPORT

1. **Georgia Local School Board Governance Standards and Model Ethics Policy** - The Chair asked the Board if there was any objection to re-sign the Georgia Local School Board Governance Standards and Model Ethics Policy for the state schools. The request was unanimously approved. The State Board Members signed the Georgia Local School Board Governance Standards and Model Ethics Policy for each of the three state schools.
2. **Race To The Top** - An update was given by Teresa MacCartney, Director of Implementation.
3. **The State Salary Schedule**– An update was given by Scott Austensen, Chief Financial Officer.

Adjournment

At 3:50 p.m., by motion of Ms. Rice, seconded by Dr. Lewis, an affirmative vote was given to adjourn the State Board meeting.

Next Scheduled Meeting of the State Board

The next State Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 9, 2011.

Brenda Turner
Recording Secretary