

# MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

200 W. Baltimore Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND TEACHER EDUCATION BOARD

### Meeting Minutes

October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The 473<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board (PSTEB) was held, via Zoom and in person, on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Ms. Kelly Meadows called the meeting to order at 9:51 a.m.

**The following members were in attendance:** Dr. Jacob Bauer-Zebley, Ms. Janill A. Bobbitt, Dr. Dionne Curbeam (virtual), Mr. Louis M. D’Ambrosio, Dr. Debi Gartland, Mr. Darren Hornbeck, Ms. Maleeta Kitchen, Dr. Kristine McGee, Ms. Kelly Meadows, Ms. Debra Poese, Ms. Sandra Skordalos, Ms. Monica Roebuck, Dr. James Scott Smith, Ms. Joy Lee Spain (virtual), Dr. Winona Taylor, Ms. Amy Wilson, and Ms. Karen Yoho (virtual).

**The following members were absent:** Mr. Corey Gaber and Dr. Patricia Saelens

**The following Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) staff members were present:** Ms. Danielle Clinton-Williams and Ms. Brej’ae Green (Recorder).

**The following Attorney General Staff members were present:** Mr. Sean Fitzgerald, Esq. - Assistant Attorney General.

### PRELIMINARY ITEMS

#### Recognition of Guests

Ms. Deborah Euzebio, MSEA  
Ms. Queen Nwafor, MSEA

#### Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The process for the election of new officers for the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board was reviewed. Nominations for both the Chair and Vice Chair officers were made. Dr. Winona Taylor and Dr. Dionne Curbeam nominated Ms. Maleeta Kitchen for the position of Chair. Ms. Kitchen accepted the position for one more year. A vote was taken and approved unanimously without any objection. Dr. Winona Taylor and Dr. Kristine McGee nominated Mr. Darren Hornbeck for the position of Vice Chair. Mr. Hornbeck accepted the position. A vote was taken and approved unanimously without any objection.

#### Public Comment

None

#### Announcements

Ms. Meadows shared the current Board vacancies and informed the Board that it being an election year, the outgoing governor will not make any appointments at this point in time. Once the new governor has been elected, that person will make the appointments.

#### State Board Update

None

#### Communication Update

None

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### ACTION ITEMS

#### Approval of August and September Minutes

August minutes were not voted on or approved. They will be submitted informally.

The approval of September minutes is tabled until the November meeting.

#### Approval of Proposed Agenda Items for November

- Approval of Minutes
- State Board Update
- Communication Update
- Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13A.12 *Educator Licensure*
- COMAR 13A.07.06 *Programs for Professionally Licensed Personnel*
- Items for Future Meetings
  - Science of Reading Instruction

Ms. Kitchen entertained a motion to adopt the November agenda with additions.

**MOTION:** November agenda was approved by the board without objections with the addition of approval of September and October minutes.

Note: November meeting will be from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm and in person.

#### PSTEB Review Panel Recommendation

Mr. Sean Fitzgerald, Esq. and the review panel met in a closed session to receive legal advice. The review panel unanimously agreed that the PSTEB Board did not have jurisdiction to decide the merit of the appeal. The review panel drafted a proposed order to pursue the regulations to dismiss the appeal for lack of jurisdiction.

#### COMAR 13A.12 Educator Licensure (Modifications)

Ms. Meadows reviewed Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13A.12.01, 13A.12.02, and 13A.12.03 and noted any modifications since the last meeting. Additionally, COMAR 13A.12.04 was partially reviewed. Specifically, the Board was asked to review the Reading Specialist and Reading Teacher regulations to determine if any changes need to be made prior to publication. Board members will bring any recommendations for modification to the November meeting.

The board also discussed the effective dates of licenses. After several salient points were made the Board recommended retaining the current effective dates of licenses in the repealed and replaced regulations (i.e., January 1 if issued between January- June or July 1 if issued between July -December).

#### BREAK

#### Calendar

Ms. Kitchen entertained a motion to approve the calendar for the 2023 Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board meetings.

**MOTION:** Dr. Winona Taylor/Mr. Louis D'Ambrosio approved the calendar for the 2023 Professional Standards

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and Teacher Education Board meetings.

A motion was offered without objections with minor additions to the September meeting date.

**Adjourned**

Ms. Kitchen entertained a motion to end the PSTEB monthly meeting at 12:43 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:43 pm without objections.