

**LOUISIANA STUDENT STANDARDS SCIENCE REVIEW**  
**Thursday, November 10, 2016**

**Minutes**

The Louisiana Student Standards Science Review Committee met on Thursday, November 10, 2016, at the West Baton Rouge Conference Center in Port Allen, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Ms. Cathi Cox-Boniol, Chair. Members present were Dr. Jeanne Burns, Ms. Regina Chustz, Mr. Josh Dahlem, Mr. Joseph David, Ms. Bianca Deliberto, Mr. Andre Deshotel, Mr. Scott Devillier, Mr. Brian Fontenot, Mr. Jeff Holcomb, Ms. Heather Howle, Dr. Michelle Joubert, Ms. Latrenda Knighten, Mr. Troy Lawson, Dr. Calvin Mackie, Dr. Rhonda Matthews, Ms. Jean May-Brett, Dr. Michael McCoy, Ms. Patrice Mire, Dr. Brenda Nixon, Mr. Danny Pennington, Dr. Paulette Perrin, Ms. Donna Reyes, Dr. Michelle Sanchez, Ms. Joni Smith, Dr. Susan Sullivan, Ms. Krystal Swain, Mr. Patrick Turk, Dr. Wade Warren, and Dr. Chad Young.

Members not in attendance were Ms. Bridget Corley, Ms. Bonita Crawford, Mr. Akhundov Elkhan, Dr. RaeNell Houston, Dr. Keith Leger, Dr. John Oller, Ms. Karen Parrino, and Ms. Michelle Savoy.

Members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) in attendance were Ms. Sandy Holloway and Ms. Jada Lewis.

Representing the LDE staff were Ms. Jill Cowart and Ms. Rebecca Kockler.

Representing the Board staff was Ms. Shannon Rawson, who recorded the minutes.

Ms. Cox-Boniol, Louisiana Student Standards Science Review Committee Chair, provided a welcome and introductory presentation including the purpose of committee meetings and the schedule.

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Item I**

Ms. Cox-Boniol provided an overview of information on the following topics:

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- Louisiana State Standards;
- Standards review process;
- Standards committee and workgroups; and
- Review process timeline and public review.

The workgroup chairs gave an overview of the draft of the Louisiana Student Standards for Science. Ms. Heather Howle presented the K-8 Science Standards draft, and Dr. Rhonda Matthews presented the High School Science Standards draft.

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The Committee members recessed briefly at 10:35 a.m.

The Committee members reconvened at 10:40 a.m. and began small group rotations to ask questions of the workgroup chairs. The members then came back together at 11:20 a.m. to discuss feedback and concerns for workgroups to consider going forward.

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Item IV**

There was no public comment.

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Item V**

- 1 On motion of Ms. May-Brett, seconded by Dr. Nixon, the Louisiana Student Standards Science Review Committee recommends that the Louisiana Department of Education (LDE) make available and post no later than December 1, 2016, the draft of the proposed Louisiana science standards (Attachment 1), as presented at the meeting of the Louisiana Student Standards Science Review Committee on November 10, 2016, in order to receive public feedback.

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A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Burns, Ms. Chustz, Ms. Cox-Boniol, Mr. Dahlem, Ms. Deliberto, Mr. Deshotel, Mr. Devillier, Mr. Fontenot, Mr. Holcomb, Ms. Howle, Dr. Joubert, Ms. Knighten, Mr. Lawson, Dr. Mackie, Dr. Matthews, Ms. May-Brett, Dr. McCoy, Ms. Mire, Dr. Nixon, Mr. Pennington, Dr. Perrin, Ms. Reyes, Dr. Sanchez, Ms. Smith, Ms. Swain, Mr. Turk, Dr. Warren, and Dr. Young.

Nays: Mr. David and Dr. Sullivan.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: Ms. Corley, Ms. Crawford, Mr. Elkhan, Dr. Houston, Dr. Leger, Dr. Oller, Ms. Parrino, and Ms. Savoy.

The motion passed.

Ms. Cox-Boniol reviewed next steps for both the workgroup and committee.

With no further business to come before the Louisiana Student Standards Science Review Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.