

BOARD REPORT

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Board Actions – May 12, 2005 Department of Education, Denver

A YEAR OF MATH, By Jo O'Brien, Learning & Results Unit, CDE

The preliminary report just issued, entitled *The State's Prime Numbers*, examines the successes and challenges for the K-12 math instruction in Colorado schools. A colorful printing of this paper [is now available](#) for distribution. In tandem with this report, the annual summer Standards and Assessment conference will be focused on Mathematics. This "Math Summit" on June 7th, in Keystone, will illustrate the status of student achievement in math over the course of several years.

The findings of a year- long review indicate the lessons and topics that help schools close this math gap. It includes such facts as the large number of teachers in Colorado unaware of the math standards and the value of pre-requisites such as arithmetic, conceptual understanding, reasoning and problem solving. The report includes average math teacher salaries, teacher math standard requirements and enriched roles which can be taken by CDE and other education support systems. Within the report are important cognitive research findings about math practice as well as specific math teaching research for students with math disabilities. The habits of Colorado "math successful" schools are featured, with an interesting and unexpected convergence of their behaviors and recommended math instruction research.

The summit will feature Colorado elementary, middle and high schools that have for several years successfully helped more students become math proficient. The keynote speaker will be Jim Stigler, internationally recognized

for the Third International Math and Science Study (TIMSS) and for his substantial achievement in video capture of great math teacher practice. He will share his critical findings through video clips, stories and math illustrations intended to exemplify the best of what we currently know. With instructional information and samples, more than 15 exemplar “math-successful” schools and a powerful and example-filled keynote address, CEA, CDE, CASE, and CASB expect a full house of participants this year. This subject-specific approach to the traditional standards and assessment conference will be repeated for all of our Colorado Model Content Standards. Next year, Science standards and performance will be reviewed and presented.

To attend this June 7th event in the mountains at Keystone, you are encouraged to register for the Standards and Assessment conference focused on mathematics at www.casb.org, or www.coloradoea.org, or www.co-case.org or <http://www.cde.state.co.us>

ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (approved by unanimous vote)

State Board / Commissioner

- Approved the contract between the State of Colorado – for the use and benefit of the Department of Education, Exceptional Student Services Unit, and the Parent Education and Assistance for Kids dba Peak Parent Center, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$300,637.37 from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 with option for 2 renewals.
- Appointed Mary Griffin, Congressional District 7, representing a State Child Welfare Agency, to fill the vacancy on the Colorado Special Education Advisory Committee (CSEAC), effective July 1, 2005.
- Approved the Interagency Agreement between the Colorado Department of Education, Early Childhood Connections (ECC), and the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center (UCHSC), JFK Partners, Department of Pediatrics for an amount not to exceed \$360,000 and for the period of 7/1/05-6/30/06, with option for annual renewal for up to four years.

State Library

- Appointed new member, Howard Major, Congressional District 4, to the Colorado Library Advisory Board (CoLAB)

Professional Services

- Approved the Type III Authorizations as follows:
 - Renewal – 2
 - Initial - 19
- Signified acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of the settlement agreement by directing the commissioner to sign the original copy of the agreement concerning the following:
 - Authorization No. 287174, Charge No. 2004EC49
 - License No. 168507, Charge No. 2003EC50
- Instructed department staff to issue a notice of denial and appeal rights to the applicant pursuant to §24-4-104, C.R.S., and instruct department staff and the attorney general's office to prepare the documents necessary to request a formal hearing for the revocation of the holder's authorization pursuant to §22-60.5-108, C.R.S. concerning Authorization No. 216519 and an Application for a License Charge No. 2004EC18
- Instructed department staff to remove from the educator's file the requested records except those denominated 061, 062, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 133, 134 and 135
- Adopted evaluation fees and CBI/FBI charges for FY 05/06 according to the following schedule:

	<u>7/1/05-6/1/06</u>
Evaluations	\$60
One-year substitutes	\$30
CBI/FBI	\$39

- Approved the proposed teacher induction program for
 - Aspen School District
 - Truth Christian Academy

Special Services

- Approved the waiver requests for a five-year period ending June 30, 2010 as follows:
 - 22-32-109.7, C.R.S. Colorado Springs 11 School District on behalf of 21st Century Charter School

- Adopted the Rules for the Educator Licensing Act of 1991, 1 CCR 301-37, Alternative Principal Authorization Preparation

(8-0) The motion was carried unanimously

Final Disposition of State Board Disciplinary Action

Charge No.: 2004EC49
Authorization Holder: Terri B. Andre
Last Known Employment: Calhan School District No. RJ-1
Last Known Residence: Colorado Springs, Co.
Reason for Disciplinary Action: Terri B. Andre pled guilty to one felony count of theft and failed to disclose this on her substitute authorization application
Final Action of the State Board: Permanent revocation
Date of State Board Action: May 12, 2005

Final Disposition of State Board Disciplinary Action

Charge No.: 2003EC50
License Holder: Kathy L. Yerington
License Number: 168507
Last Known Employment: Logan School for Creative Learning
Last Known Residence: Thornton, Co.
Reason for Disciplinary Action: Kathy L. Yerington was convicted of one felony count of sexual assault on a child by a person in a position of trust
Final Action of the State Board: Revocation
Date of State Board Action: May 12, 2005

Final Disposition of State Board Disciplinary Action

Charge No.: 2004EC18
Applicant: James R. Stimps
Last Known Employment: Thompson School District R2-J
Last Known Residence: Loveland, Colorado
Reason for Disciplinary Action: James R. Stimps engaged in inappropriate conduct toward female students, was convicted of one misdemeanor count of harassment, and committed contributing to the delinquency of a minor and received a deferred sentence for this felony offense
Final Action of the State Board: Denial of the application
Date of State Board Action: May 12, 2005



Future Business

June 8-9	Board Retreat -	Keystone Conference Center
July 13	Work Session	
July 14	Regular Meeting	
August 10	Work Session -	Off-site / TBA
August 11	Regular Meeting -	Off Site / TBA
September 14	Work Session	
September 15	Regular Meeting	
October 5	Work Session	
October 6	Regular Meeting	
November 09	Work Session	
November 10	Regular Meeting	
December 7	Work Session	
December 8	Regular Meeting	

Future Hearings

CHARTER SCHOOL HEARINGS:

June 6, 2005 12:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Special Board Meeting
	Colorado Springs 11
	Delta County 50
	Fountain-Ft. Carson 8
	Garfield RE-2
	Mapleton 1
	Thompson R2-J
	Arapahoe 1 - Englewood School District
	Adams-Arapahoe 28J
	Boulder Valley RE2
	Denver County 1
	Harrison 2
	Adams 50 - Westminster

Charter School Appeal Hearings

None Scheduled

MISSION

The Colorado State Board of Education is charged by the Constitution of the state of Colorado of the general supervision of the K-12 public schools. The mission of the Colorado State Board of Education is to provide all of Colorado's children equal access to quality, thorough, uniform, well-rounded educational opportunities in a safe and civil learning environment.

OPEN MEETINGS

The State Board of Education invites the public to view its electronic mail correspondence at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/COLOSBE>. According to 24-6-402(2)(d)(III) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, Open Meetings Law, "If elected officials use electronic mail to discuss pending legislation or other public business among themselves, the electronic mail shall be subject to the requirements of this section. Electronic mail communication among elected officials that does not relate to pending legislation or other public business shall not be considered a "meeting" within the meaning of this section."

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