

Missouri NEA Missouri State Board of Education Report

*Notes from August 14, 2018 meeting of the Missouri State Board of Education
Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education*

Board holds public hearing on fine arts standards

The purpose of the Fine Arts Work Group is to review current fine arts standards and make recommendations for updates/changes in those standards if deemed necessary. The K-5 and 6-12 work groups held seven meetings working side-by-side as a vertical group to ensure continuity from grade level to grade level and consistency and cohesiveness between fine arts areas. Revised standards include dance, music, theatre, and visual arts. The group is developing standards for media arts and adding early childhood standards for all fine arts areas. The work group will present a draft of both new and revised standards at the state board meeting held December 6-7, 2018.

Board honors Missouri NEA member Jordan McGaughey as Missouri's Milken Educator

In October 2017, the Milken Family Foundation announced Jordan McGaughey, a 10th grade social studies teacher at Seckman High School in the Fox C-6 school district, as the 2017-2018 Missouri Milken Educator. The Milken Foundation recognized McGaughey at an all-school assembly, where he received a \$25,000 cash prize. The state board honored McGaughey with a reading of the Missouri State Board of Education resolution and presentation of a plaque.

Board approves St. Louis Teacher Residency to offer four programs for teacher certification

Board approved STLTR, working in partnership with Washington University, to offer four programs for teacher certification: elementary (grades 1-6) and middle school education (5-9) in English language arts, mathematics and science. Based on a review of the conceptual framework, curriculum matrices, and instructional resources, department staff determined that the professional education unit and the proposed programs are in compliance with the Missouri Standards for the Preparation of Educators (MoSPE). The proposal for initial approval included:

- Plans to meet and/or exceed the six Missouri Standards for the Preparation of Educators;
- Alignment of assessments to the Annual Report for Educator Preparation Programs;
- Alignment of coursework and/or experiences to prepare educators in the certification areas; and
- A timeline for the approval by the board, steps to recruit students, and the anticipated date of their first program completers.

STLTR graduates commit to teach in St. Louis Public Schools for a minimum of three years. College graduates accepted into the program receive a stipend while they student teach for a full year, Monday-Thursday in a St. Louis Public School classroom. On Fridays, they attend college classes at a discounted tuition rate through Washington University. Students earn their teacher certification at the end of year one. Once they are certified to teach, they spend year two as the teacher of record in STPS, receive coaching from STLTR, and complete their masters' degree at Washington University. During years three and four, teachers complete their commitment to teach in SLPS.

In other business, the board:

- Approved authorization in the *Missouri Register* of a notice of proposed rulemaking to amend Rule 5 CSR 20-100.545 establishing criteria for A+ designation of public and nonpublic high

schools. The amended language would eliminate language about the grant program, which no longer exists.

- Approved authorization of publication in the *Missouri Register* of a notice of rulemaking to amend Rule 5 CSR 20-100.160, Policies and Standards for Summer School Programs. This amendment will remove requirements that are not in state law and clarify language for summer school programs.
- Received an update on the Fiscal Year 2020 budget instructions. Governor Parson asked DESE to submit the dollar amounts needed to implement and/or sustain mandated programs. DESE will request incremental increases to transportation over a period of several years to eventually make up the \$200 million shortfall in transportation funding for schools.
- Received an update on the framework for career/talent development to build leadership within the agency at all levels.
- Vic Lentz, board vice president, provided an update on the elected St. Louis Public School Board. Five members of the SLPS elected board attended their first training August 3 and 4, 2018. The members were very receptive to the training. Training module drafts were given to state board members. Going forward, the SLPS elected board will receive training each month. The training will include simulated board meetings led by the superintendent.

The next meeting of the State Board of Education will be September 18, 2018. Missouri NEA will be there! If you have any questions, contact Brent Fullington or Ann Jarrett at 800-392-0236. Details of state board agenda items can be found at <http://dese.mo.gov/state-board-education/agendas-minutes>.

Respectfully submitted,

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