



**April 14, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. Mountain Time
Double Tree by Hilton (Black Hills Ballroom)
505 N. 5th St., Rapid City, SD 57701**

Members:

Present

Phyllis Heineman
Jean Moulton
Linda Olsen
Rich Meyer, Vice President
Steven Perkins, President

DOE Staff:

Joseph Graves, Shannon Malone, Kathryn Blaha, Amanda LaCroix, Mary Stadick Smith, and Kristen Berger.

Others:

Members of the public.

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call

The South Dakota Board of Education Standards (BOES) was called to order by President Perkins at approximately 9:00 a.m. MT.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Heineman and second by Meyer to adopt the April 14, 2025, agenda. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyers, and Perkins.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Meyer and second by Heineman to approve the February 10, 2025, minutes as corrected. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

Public Comment: SDCL 1-25-1

No public comment.

First Reading of SD Indian Studies Requirements for Certification Rules

Presented by Dr. Kathryn Blaha, Director of Accreditation and Certification. Board questions and discussion.

Motion by Olsen and second by Moulton to schedule proposed rules packet for a public hearing. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

Content Standards Hearing #4 (Final)

The board convened a public hearing at approximately 9:15 a.m. MT on the following proposed standards: English Language Arts, K-8 Computer Science, and Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings & Standards. This is the fourth of four hearings on these standards.

For the public hearing, up to 30 minutes for proponents and up to 30 minutes for opponent testimony was allowed. Each speaker was limited to approximately 3 minutes to provide testimony.

English Language Arts Standards

Presented by Shannon Malone, Director, Division of Learning & Instruction. Malone stated that no new public comments were received for the standards.

Proponent testimony

Reva Potter, revision team member, testified in favor of the proposed standards.

Opponent Testimony

No opponent testimony.

Board questions and discussion.

Motion by Moulton and second by Heineman to amend the English Language Arts standards as discussed by Moulton. Roll call vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

Motion by Olsen and second by Meyer to adopt the English Language Arts standards as amended. Roll call vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

K-8 Computer Science Standards

Presented by Shannon Malone, Director, Division of Learning & Instruction. Malone stated that no new public comments were received for the standards.

Proponent testimony

Koreen Hammel, on behalf of CSTA- South Dakota, testified in favor of the proposed standards.

Opponent Testimony

No opponent testimony.

Board questions and discussion.

Motion by Heineman and second by Moulton to adopt the K-8 Computer Science standards. Roll call vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings & Standards

Presented by Shannon Malone, Director, Division of Learning & Instruction. Malone stated that no new public comments were received for the standards.

Proponent testimony

No proponent testimony.

Opponent Testimony

Deborah Bordeaux, personal; Derrick Marks, personal; Ira W. Taken Alive, on behalf of Rapid City Area Schools; Sarah White, personal; Marie High Bear, personal; Henry Quick Bear, personal; Cante Heart, personal; Ailine Maea, personal; and Natasha Gourd, personal.

Rebuttal

Dr. Joseph Graves, Secretary of Education, gave the rebuttal.

Board questions and discussion.

Motion by Heineman and second by Moulton to adopt the version of the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings & Standards that included the elder posters. Roll call vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

Adjournment of public hearing at approximately 11:05 a.m. MT.

Board took a brief recess and reconvened at approximately 11:14 a.m. MT.

Douglas School District Presentation: Science of Reading and Progress Monitoring

Presented by Superintendent Kevin Case and Ann Pettit of the Douglas School District.

Board questions and discussion.

Secretary's Report and Presentation

Dr. Joseph Graves, Secretary of Education, gave a report.

Board Report and General Discussion

Board discussion.

NEXT MEETING: May 19, 2025 (Virtual) and July 7, 2025 (Virtual).

Adjournment:

Motion Heineman and by second by Meyer to adjourn. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, and Perkins.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:08 p.m. MT.