Minutes State Board of Education Monday, July 15, 2009

The Arizona State Board of Education held a **special meeting** at the Arizona Department of Education, 1535 West Jefferson, Room 417, Phoenix, Arizona. The meeting was called to order at 9:34 AM.

Members Present: Members Absent:

Mr. Jacob Moore, President Dr. Vicki Balentine, Vice President

Present Telephonically: Ms. Anita Mendoza Superintendent Tom Horne Ms. Cecilia Owen

Mr. Jesse Ary Ms. Bonnie Kasey Dr. John Haeger Mr. Larry Lucero

Mr. Jaime Molera Dr. Karen Nicodemus

1. ROLL CALL Ms. Meneses

2. Presentation, discussion and consideration to appoint the following individuals to the Task Force on Best Practices in Special Education and Behavior Management pursuant to Senate Bill 1197. *The Board may make alternative appointments, in accordance with the requirements set forth in SB1197.

Mr. Yanez summarized SB1197 and stated the task force is required to submit a written report that contains its findings and recommendation on or before August 20, 2009 to the State Board of Education, the State Board for Charter Schools, the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

Mr. Yanez stated ADE staff prepared a list of candidates for the Board's consideration. The candidates are:

George Huggins Melissa Fields

Holly Reycraft

Kali Fedor

Michael Remus - Chairperson

Salai A. Gala Bl. B.

Roberta Brown Sylvia A. Cohen, Ph.D

Becky Raabe

Mr. Molera asked if Ms. Kay Turner could be considered as an alternate member. Mr. Yanez said that the board could specify this as an option if one of the Task Force members could not serve.

Mr. Molera asked to make Ms. Turner the alternate as part of the motion. Mr. Moore asked if there was legal prohibition to include an alternate into the motion. Ms. Pollock stated there is no specific discussion or prohibition in the bill that would prohibit an alternate. This request would have to be made as part of the motion and it would need to be clear that the alternate individual would not be a Task Force member unless one of the members assigned could not serve.

Mr. Molera moved to accept nine recommended candidates recommended by the ADE staff and appoint Ms. Kay Turner as the alternate.

Dr. Haeger second the motion

Mr. Ary asked what the diversity was amongst the recommended candidates. Mr. Yanez sated the legislation in terms of diversity only called for geographic consideration and he did not have information on the ethnic makeup of the candidates. Mr. Ary asked if anyone else knew and Ms. Collette Chapman states she was not sure on the ethnicity of all of the recommended candidates.

Mr. Moore stated that due to the time constriction the Task Force has to complete the work requested he would like to consider a motion.

Mr. Lucero asked if there are three positions of the nine filled by ADE staff. Ms. Chapman confirmed this information and stated the candidate serving as the parent of a child with disabilities is an ADE employee. Supt. Horne stated this candidate was recommended by Senator Huppenthal.

Mr. Moore asked for a roll call vote.

Yes
Pres. Mr. Moore
Supt. Mr. Horne
Mr. Ary
Dr. Haeger
Ms. Kasey
Mr. Lucero
Mr. Molera
Dr. Nicodemus

Motion passes

3. Adjourn
Dr. Nicodemus moved to adjourn
Motion second by Mr. Lucero

Motion passes

Meeting adjourned at 10:04.