

**MINUTES OF THE ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
JUNE 10, 2021  
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

The Alabama State Board of Education met for its regular meeting of Elementary/Secondary Education matters on Thursday, June 10, 2021, at 10 a.m., in the auditorium of the Gordon Persons Building, Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting was called to order by the President of the Board in accordance with *Alabama Code* (1975), §16-3-7, as amended.

**PRESIDING: GOVERNOR KAY IVEY, PRESIDENT**

The invocation was done by Dr. Agnes Lover, Pastor, St. Paul African Methodist Church, Montgomery, Alabama, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was done in unison.

The following members were present:

**Present**

Mrs. Stephanie Bell  
Dr. Tonya Chestnut  
Governor Kay Ivey  
Mrs. Belinda McRae  
Dr. Wayne Reynolds  
Dr. Yvette Richardson  
Mrs. Tracie West  
Mrs. Jackie Zeigler

**Absent**

Dr. Cynthia McCarty

Dr. Eric G. Mackey, State Superintendent of Education, was also present.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On motion by Dr. Wayne Reynolds and seconded by Mrs. Stephanie Bell, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 13, 2021, MEETING**

On motion by Dr. Wayne Reynolds and seconded by Mrs. Stephanie Bell, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the meeting of May 13, 2021.

On motion by Dr. Wayne Reynolds and seconded by Mrs. Belinda McRae, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following.

**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS  
Auburn University at Montgomery**

**WHEREAS**, reviews of educator preparation programs were conducted in July 2019, with follow-up reviews thereafter, by the Alabama State Department of Education in accordance with the *Alabama State Board of Education, State Department of Education Administrative Code*, Rule No. 290-3-3-.56(2)(b)2; and

**WHEREAS**, all programs have been recommended for approval or approval with conditions based on compliance with Alabama State Board of Education rules; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) conducted a site visit in October 2020; and granted continuing accreditation on April 26, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education recommends approval of the programs:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby approves the following programs, with approval to expire on June 30, 2028:

Class B English Language Arts (6-12)  
Class B Physical Education (P-12)

Alternative Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Alternative Class A English Language Arts (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Physical Education (P-12)

Class A Biology (6-12)  
Class A Collaborative Special Education (K-6)  
Class A Collaborative Special Education (6-12)  
Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Class A Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)  
Class A Elementary Education (K-6)  
Class A English Language Arts (6-12)  
Class A General Science (6-12)  
Class A General Social Studies (6-12)  
Class A History (6-12)  
Class A Mathematics (6-12)  
Class A Physical Education (P-12)  
Class A School Counseling (P-12)  
Class A Visual Arts (P-12)  
Class AA Collaborative Special Education (K-6)  
Class AA Collaborative Special Education (6-12)  
Class AA Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Class AA Elementary Education (K-6)  
Class AA Instructional Leadership (P-12)  
Class AA Physical Education (P-12)  
Class AA School Counseling (P-12)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby grants approval of the following educator preparation programs at Auburn University at Montgomery, with conditions to be addressed as noted on the attached pages until June 30, 2024:

Class B Collaborative Special Education (K-6)  
Class B Collaborative Special Education (6-12)  
Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Class B Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)  
Class B Elementary Education (K-6)  
Class B General Science (6-12)  
Class B General Social Studies (6-12)  
Class B Mathematics (6-12)

Alternative Class A Biology (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Collaborative Special Education (K-6)  
Alternative Class A Collaborative Special Education (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)  
Alternative Class A Elementary Education (K-6)  
Alternative Class A General Science (6-12)  
Alternative Class A General Social Studies (6-12)  
Alternative Class A History (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Mathematics (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Visual Arts (P-12)  
  
Class A Instructional Leadership (P-12)  
Class A Sport Management (P-12)

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Mrs. Stephanie Bell and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS  
Huntingdon College, Montgomery, Alabama**

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Board of Education approves educator preparation programs, including the time frame for approved program status; and

**WHEREAS**, each program provided by Huntingdon College achieved Accreditation with conditions status, based on the Alabama Continuous Improvement in Educator Preparation program review process; and

**WHEREAS**, Huntingdon College hosted a successful Alabama-only review, April 11-13, 2021, in preparation to host a CAEP/Alabama review in November 2022, to determine compliance with non-program specific rules; and

**WHEREAS**, compliance with Alabama State Board of Education rules has been verified; and

**WHEREAS**, Huntingdon College's music programs are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby grants approval of the following educator preparation programs at Huntingdon College, with conditions to be addressed as noted on the attached pages, until June 30, 2025:

- Class B Biology (6-12)
- Class B Collaborative Special Education (K-6)
- Class B Collaborative Special Education (6-12)
- Class B Elementary Education (K-6)
- Class B English Language Arts (6-12)
- Class B General Social Studies (6-12)
- Class B History (6-12)
- Class B Mathematics (6-12)
- Class B Music, Choral and Instrumental (P-12)
- Class B Physical Education (P-12)

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Mrs. Stephanie Bell and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS  
Jacksonville State University**

**WHEREAS**, reviews of educator preparation programs were conducted in July 2018 and 2019, with follow-up reviews thereafter, by the Alabama State Department of Education in accordance with the *Alabama State Board of Education, State Department of Education Administrative Code*, Rule No. 290-3-3-.56(2)(b)2; and

**WHEREAS**, all programs have been recommended for approval based on compliance with Alabama State Board of Education rules; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) conducted a site visit in November 2020 and granted continuing accreditation on April 26, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education recommends approval of the programs:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby approves the following programs, with approval to expire on June 30, 2028:

- Class B Choral Music (P-12)
- Class B Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)
- Class B General Social Studies (6-12)
- Class B Instrumental Music (P-12)
- Class B Mathematics (6-12)

- Alternative Class A Choral Music (P-12)
- Alternative Class A Instrumental Music (P-12)

- Class A Biology (6-12)
- Class A Business and Marketing Education (6-12)
- Class A Choral Music (P-12)
- Class A Collaborative Special Education (K-6)
- Class A Collaborative Special Education (6-12)
- Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)
- Class A Early Childhood Special Education (P-3)

Class A Elementary Education (K-6)  
Class A English Language Arts (6-12)

Class A Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)  
Class A General Science (6-12)  
Class A General Social Studies (6-12)  
Class A History (6-12)  
Class A Instrumental Music (P-12)

Class A Mathematics (6-12)  
Class A Physical Education (P-12)  
Class A Reading Specialist (P-12)  
Class A School Counseling (P-12)

Class AA Instructional Leadership (P-12)  
Class AA Library Media (P-12)  
Class AA Physical Education (P-12)  
Class AA School Counseling (P-12)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby grants approval of the following educator preparation with conditions to be addressed as noted on the attached pages until June 30, 2024:

Class B Business and Marketing Education (6-12)  
Class B Collaborative Special Education (K-6)  
Class B Collaborative Special Education (6-12)  
Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Class B Elementary Education (K-6)  
Class B English Language Arts (6-12)  
Class B Health Education (6-12) and Physical Education (P-12)  
Class B General Science (6-12)

Alternative Class A Business and Marketing Education (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Collaborative Special Education (K-6)  
Alternative Class A Collaborative Special Education (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Alternative Class A Elementary Education (K-6)  
Alternative Class A English Language Arts (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Family and Consumer Sciences Education (6-12)  
Alternative Class A General Science (6-12)  
Alternative Class A General Social Studies (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Mathematics (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Physical Education (P-12)

Class A Instructional Leadership (P-12)  
Class A Library Media (P-12)  
Class A Sport Management (P-12)

Class AA Teacher Leader (P-12)

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Mrs. Stephanie Bell and seconded by Dr. Yvette Richardson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS  
TALLADEGA COLLEGE**

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Board of Education approves educator preparation programs, including the time frame for approved program status; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning during summer 2019 and continuing over an extended period of time, the Talladega College Education Department submitted documentation of compliance with Alabama State Board of Education standards pertaining to initial programs and was deemed to meet Alabama-specific standards with conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 18-20, 2020, the Talladega College Education Department hosted a successful virtual visit for a team of reviewers appointed by the Alabama Superintendent of Education and was deemed to meet non-program specific Alabama State Board of Education standards with conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, Talladega College formally communicated intent to withdraw four secondary programs for which at least approval with conditions status could not be achieved (biology, English language arts, history, and mathematics); and

**WHEREAS**, Talladega College formally communicated intent to seek accreditation by the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP); and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education recommends approval of the programs:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby grants continued approval of the following educator preparation programs at Talladega College, with conditions to be addressed as noted on the attached pages, until June 30, 2024:

Class B Collaborative Teacher (K-6)  
Class B Elementary Education (K-6)  
Class B Music, Choral (P-12)  
Class B Music, Instrumental (P-12)

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Mrs. Tracie West and seconded by Mrs. Belinda McRae, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS  
Troy University**

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Board of Education approves educator preparation programs including the time frame for approved program status; and

**WHEREAS**, several programs provided by Troy University were granted approval until June 30, 2021, pending documentation of compliance with Alabama State Board of Education rules; and

**WHEREAS**, Troy University has documented compliance with all Alabama State Board of Education rules pertaining to those programs previously denied approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education recommends approval of those programs:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby approves the following programs, with approval to expire on June 30, 2024, to align with the approval expiration date for other Troy University programs:

Class B Biology (6-12)  
Class B Chemistry (6-12)  
Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Class B English Language Arts (6-12)  
Class B General Science (6-12)  
Class B Health Education (6-12)  
Class B Mathematics (6-12)  
Class B Physical Education (P-12)

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Mrs. Belinda McRae and seconded by Dr. Tonya Chestnut, the Board voted unanimously adopt the following.

**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS**  
**University of North Alabama, Florence**

**WHEREAS**, reviews of educator preparation programs were conducted in July 2019, with follow-up reviews thereafter by the Alabama State Department of Education in accordance with the Alabama State Board of Education, *State Department of Education Administrative Code*, Rule No. 290-3-3-.56(2)(b)2; and

**WHEREAS**, all programs have been recommended for approval or approval with conditions based on compliance with Alabama State Board of Education rules; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) conducted a site visit in November 2020 and granted continuing accreditation on April 26, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Superintendent of Education recommends approval of the programs:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby approves the following programs, with approval to expire on June 30, 2028:

- Class A Biology (6-12)
- Class A Business/Marketing Education (6-12)
- Class A Chemistry (6-12)
- Class A Collaborative Special Education (K-6)
- Class A Collaborative Special Education (6-12)
- Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)
- Class A Elementary Education (K-6)
- Class A English Language Arts (6-12)
- Class A General Science (6-12)
- Class A General Social Studies (6-12)
- Class A History (6-12)
- Class A Mathematics (6-12)
- Class A Music, Choral (P-12)
- Class A Music, Instrumental (P-12)
- Class A Physical Education (P-12)
- Class A Physics (6-12)
- Class A School Counseling (P-12)
- Class A Spanish (6-12)
  
- Class AA Elementary Education (K-6)
- Class AA Instructional Leadership (P-12)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education hereby approves the following programs with conditions with approval to expire on June 30, 2024:

- Class B Biology (6-12)
- Class B Business/Marketing Education (6-12)
- Class B Chemistry (6-12)
- Class B Collaborative Special Education (K-6)
- Class B Early Childhood Education (P-3)
- Class B Elementary Education (K-6)
- Class B English Language Arts (6-12)
- Class B French (6-12)
- Class B General Science (6-12)
- Class B General Social Studies (6-12)
- Class B German (6-12)
- Class B History (6-12)
- Class B Mathematics (6-12)
- Class B Music, Choral (P-12)
- Class B Music, Instrumental (P-12)
- Class B Physical Education (P-12)
- Class B Physics (6-12)
- Class B Spanish (6-12)
- Class B Visual Arts (P-12)

Alternative Class A Biology (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Business/Marketing Education (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Chemistry (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Early Childhood Education (P-3)  
Alternative Class A English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12)  
Alternative Class A English Language Arts (6-12)  
Alternative Class A General Science (6-12)  
Alternative Class A General Social Studies (6-12)  
Alternative Class A History (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Mathematics (6-12)  
Alternative Class A Music, Choral (P-12)  
Alternative Class A Music, Instrumental (P-12)  
Alternative Class A Physical Education (P-12)  
Alternative Class A Spanish (6-12)

Class A English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12)  
Class A Instructional Leadership (P-12)

Class AA Teacher Leader (P-12)

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Dr. Tonya Chestnut and seconded by Mrs. Stephanie Bell, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION  
TO RELEASE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FROM EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Alabama State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Education are vested by the Alabama Constitution and the laws of the state of Alabama with authority to exercise general control and supervision over public schools of the state of Alabama; and

**WHEREAS**, local boards of education perform a state function at the local level and function as an arm of the state subject to the general supervision of the Alabama State Board of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, more particularly, the *Code of Alabama*, including the *Educational Accountability and Intervention Act of 2013* (the "Act"), codified at *ALA. CODE §§16-6E-1 through 7*, provides for intervention of local boards of education by the State Superintendent of Education under certain conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, at their February 7, 2017, board meeting, the Montgomery County Board of Education consented to educational intervention by the Alabama State Board of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Montgomery County Board of Education has been under educational intervention since 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, during this time of educational intervention, the Montgomery County Board of Education, Montgomery County Superintendent of Education Dr. Ann Roy Moore, and Montgomery Public Schools have collaborated and cooperated with the State Superintendent of Education in addressing and correcting deficiencies leading to educational intervention; and

**WHEREAS**, at the September 10, 2020, Alabama State Board of Education Work Session, officials from Montgomery Public Schools presented an update and progress of their intervention process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Montgomery County Board of Education has indeed achieved suitable and significant progress toward correcting those deficiencies that led to educational intervention; and

**WHEREAS**, the Montgomery County Board of Education has now met the criteria to be released from educational intervention; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 13, 2021, the Montgomery County Board of Education presented its petition to the Alabama State Board of Education to release Montgomery County Board of Education from educational intervention based upon the school system having met the criteria and conditions required for release; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Superintendent of Education has reviewed the petition for release from intervention, asserts his belief that the petition has merit, and recommends that the Alabama State Board of Education approve releasing the Montgomery County Board of Education from educational intervention:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Alabama State Board of Education does approve and authorize releasing the Montgomery County Board of Education from educational intervention and that the Alabama State Board of Education strongly encourages the Montgomery County Board of Education and Montgomery Public Schools to maintain the fiscal and academic improvements implemented and achieved during their time of intervention in order to continue improvement as a system; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That, pursuant to *ALA. CODE* §16-6E-4(9), the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) shall release the Montgomery County Board of Education from educational intervention effective December 1, 2021, conditioned upon compliance with the following: maintain adequate academic progress; maintain fiscal sustainability by having a minimum of 1.5 months financial reserve; and maintain adequate operational standing in areas related to transportation, child nutrition, and other auxiliary departments. All conditions are subject to periodic review by the ALSDE.

Done this 10th day of June 2021

On motion by Dr. Wayne Reynolds and seconded by Dr. Tonya Chestnut, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

**ANNOUNCE INTENT TO REPEAL AND ADOPT NEW ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 290-3-3, PERTAINING TO EDUCATOR PREPARATION**

On motion by Dr. Yvette Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Tracie West, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following.

**ADOPT AMENDED ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 290-3-1, PERTAINING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL GOVERNANCE**

**EXECUTIVE (INCLUDES LEGAL AND PUBLIC INFORMATION)**

Dr. Eric G. Mackey stated that there was no report necessary for the month of June.

**STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Mackey stated that all agenda items were very important issues, including the Montgomery County School System's resolution to be released from educational intervention. Dr. Mackey commended the Alabama State Board of Education, Alabama State Department of Education staff, and particularly Dr. Daniel Boyd, Deputy State Superintendent of Instruction, and Mr. Terry Roller, Assistant State Superintendent of Support Services, who did an outstanding job with the Montgomery County School System to make sure goals were met. Dr. Mackey thanked Dr. Ann Roy Moore, Superintendent, Mr. Arthur Watts, Chief School Financial Officer, and many others at the Montgomery County School System for their leadership. Dr. Mackey acknowledged the Montgomery County School Board Members who ran for office because they believed in children and wanted to do what was right for the children. He thanked them for their commitment and hard work.

Dr. Mackey stated that the last item approved by the Board (Adopt Amended *Alabama Administrative Code*, Chapter 290-3-3, Pertaining to Public School Governance) is a change to address an issue about social security numbers. He said with that vote, all schools in Alabama will no longer collect social security numbers for student enrollment. Dr. Mackey said the department received numerous calls from concerned parents about data theft and the risk of their children's social security numbers being stolen. Dr. Mackey thanked the Board for supporting the effort to protect children's identity. He stated that collecting social security numbers for student enrollment has not been a practiced requirement for years, but some school systems were continuing to request the information and the vote today will completely remove the request from the Code.

Dr. Mackey reminded the Board that this will be Dr. Daniel Boyd's last Board Meeting due to his retirement at the end of June. Dr. Mackey stated that Dr. Jeffery Langham will be retiring the end of July. He stated that Drs. Boyd and Langham committed a lot to the Alabama State Department of Education and to local school systems. Dr. Boyd worked in the Montgomery and Lowndes County School Systems, and Dr. Langham worked in the Elmore County School System.

Dr. Mackey recognized the following attendees: Dr. Kerry Palmer, Dean of Education at Troy University, Dr. Carolyn Corliss, Dean of Education at Huntingdon College, and Dr. Kellie Shumack, Associate Dean of Education at Auburn University in Montgomery.

There being no other business before the Board, on motion by Dr. Wayne Reynolds and seconded by Mrs. Stephanie Bell, Board Members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m. The next Alabama State Board of Education Meeting for Elementary and Secondary Education will be held on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 10 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Gordon Persons Building followed by the Work Session.

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Vice President

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Secretary and Executive Officer