Thursday, June 12, 2003

California Department of Education 1430 N Street, Room 1101 Sacramento, California

#### **Members Present**

Reed Hastings, President Joe Nuñez, Vice President Robert J. Abernethy\* Donald Fisher Carol S. Katzman Stephanie H. Lee Luis J. Rodriguez Suzanne Tacheny Curtis Washington

[\* Participating from duly noticed teleconference location.]

#### **Member Absent**

Nancy Ichinaga Vacancy

## **Closed Session**

The Board met in Closed Session from 8:05 a.m. to 8:35 a.m.

## **Call to Order: Public Session**

President Hastings called the Public Session to order at 8:41 a.m.

(Note: The votes at this meeting were taken by roll call as required by law in a teleconference meeting.)

## Salute to the Flag

Ms. Lee led the Board, staff, and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Closed Session Report**

Ms. Steentofte reported that in the morning's Closed Session, the State Board considered *Californians for Justice Education Fund, et al., v. State Board of Education; Williams, et al., v. State of California, et al.;* and *Pazmiño, et al., v. California State Board of Education, et al., with* no actions being taken. The Board also received an update on *Emma C. et al., v. Delaine Eastin et al.,* and gave direction to counsel regarding a pending matter in that litigation.

## Announcements/Communications

*Changes in Agenda* President Hastings announced that Item W-4 had been withdrawn.

(Note: Items appear in the minutes in the order they were heard.)

ITEM 32	Approval of 2002-2003 Consolidated Applications.	ACTION

Bill Waroff, Consolidated Programs Accountability, informed the Board that a total of five consolidated applications were recommended for approval.

The following individuals addressed the Board: Dave Page, parent, San Diego Unified School District Thekima Mayasa, parent, San Diego Unified School District Frank Lucero, parent, San Diego Unified School District William Penick, parent, San Diego Unified School District Mitz Lee, parent, San Diego Unified School District Peter Birdsall, representing San Diego Unified School District

In response to the parents' comments, President Hastings explained that on technical issues related to consolidated applications, the State Board has a role to play. However, the larger issue of standards alignment is the purview of the local Board and there is little role for the State Board. Ms. Belisle asked if the Department found that San Diego's instructional program is standards-based. Ms. Bedwell stated that issue was settled in 2001. She did not recall the specific finding about standards-based instruction. Mr. Nuñez commented that instruction in San Diego is still a local battle and the parents need to keep holding the district's feet to the fire. Mr. Rodriguez thanked the parents for coming to speak to the Board and stated that he seldom sees such involved and passionate parents. Ms. Tacheny expressed her appreciation for the parents and the work they have done to clarify the issues.

- MOTION FAILS: Ms. Tacheny moved that the State Board approve the 2002-2003 Consolidated Applications from five local education agencies as recommended by CDE staff. Ms. Katzman seconded the motion. The motion failed passage by a vote of 5-0-4. [Under Education Code Section 33010, six votes are required for passage of a motion.]
- ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 4 Abstentions

Abernethy	yes
Fisher	abstain
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	abstain
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	abstain

Tacheny yes Washington abstain

Ms. Tacheny asked the Board members what additional information they would need to be able to vote on the consolidated application. Mr. Rodriguez responded that he would like to explore conditions to the approval. President Hastings directed that the five local education agencies' 2002-2003 Consolidated Applications be placed on the July agenda.

President Hastings announced Item 37 would be heard next to accommodate the presenter's schedule.

No action taken on this item.

ITEM 33	Direct request from the Tri-County SELPA to dissolve effective June	ACTION
	30, 2003, and instead form three separate, single-county SELPAs in	
	Amador, Calaveras, and Tuolumne Counties effective July 1, 2003.	

Mr. Geeting stated that the State Board's staff had developed this agenda item. He indicated that is was a fairly simple issue. Breaking apart the Tri-County SELPA into three SELPAs would increase state allocations to these counties by approximately \$350,000 annually without them making any changes in the instructional services. The request seemed to be based on a desire for additional funding.

The following individuals addressed the Board: John Brophy, Calaveras County Superintendent Mike Carey, Amador County Superintendent Joe Silva, Tuolumne County Superintendent

President Hastings asked how forming three SELPAs would improve student services. Ms. Katzman asked how forming three SELPAs would better meet students' needs and about funding

to create new programs. She expressed concern about additional costs during a tight budget time. Mr. Brophy and Mr. Carey responded to the questions. Mr. Fisher asked if the three counties would forgo the additional funding. President Hastings stated that he does not want to see SELPAs dividing into smaller and smaller units with each one having its own bureaucracy. Mr. Nuñez stated that changes in SELPA funding have resulted in some districts pulling out of SELPAs and forming their own SELPAs.

• ACTION: Ms. Tacheny moved that the State Board approve the direct request from the Tri-County SELPA to dissolve effective June 30, 2003, and instead form three separate, single-county SELPAs in Amador, Calaveras, and Tuolumne Counties effective July 1, 2003, with direction to CDE staff to reorganize the statewide distribution of special education funds as necessary to implement the reorganization beginning in 2003-04. Ms. Katzman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-2-1.

•	ROLL CALL	VOTE: 6 Yes, 2 No, 1 Abstention
	Abernethy	abstain
	Fisher	yes
	Hastings	no
	Katzman	yes
	Lee	yes
	Nuñez	no
	Rodriguez	yes
	Tacheny	yes
	Washington	yes

ITEM 34	Permanent Regulations for the Readi	ng First Program.	PUBLIC HEARING ACTION
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Ms. Steentofte informed the Board that there was a legislative proposal pending regarding this item. Due to the pending legislation, staff was now recommending that the Board conduct the public hearing, but defer voting on the permanent regulations until after the budget passes. Mr. Vasey provided a summary of the 49 public comments that had been received.

President Hastings stated that the Reading First program is a federal program. The Board's view to date is that students need two and one-half hours of reading instruction in English to reach proficiency in reading in English by the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. The Legislature seems to be on a different track. The Board will, of course, implement whatever changes (if any) emerge from the legislative process.

President Hastings announced a Spanish language translator was available if needed.

President Hastings opened the Public Hearing at 10:07 a.m.

The following individuals addressed the Board: Judy Hart, California Teachers Association Martha Zaragoza-Diaz, California Association for Bilingual Education and Californians Together Coalition Laura G. Perez, California Parents for Bilingual Education Eva Pacheco, Excellence and Justice in Education Mary Hernandez, Multicultural Education, Training and Advocacy, Inc. Chris Ochoa, Oxnard School District Gabriel Medel, Parents for Unity Francisco Estrada, Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund Christina Huezo, National Council of La Raza Samantha Dobbins, California School Boards Association Jackie Fox Ruby, California Federation of Teachers Lisa Ramer, CATESOL/Association of California School Administrators

President Hastings closed the Public Hearing at 10:43 a.m.

President Hastings stated that the Legislature is likely to act on this issue and the Board should wait to take action on the regulations in deference to the Legislature.

Ms. Tacheny informed the speakers of her experience working for Latino parent groups in the early 1990s. Those parents wanted their children to learn English. She noted that the National Reading Panel looked nationwide and found between two to three hours of direct instruction in reading is required to learn how to read. Of the five key components of successful reading instruction, only one—phonemic awareness—cuts across all languages. The intent of requiring instruction in English is to ensure that children of the many, many parents she has worked with over the years succeed in school.

Mr. Rodriguez remarked that the people who sit on the Board are good people, as is the staff. The issue is one on which reasonable people can disagree. He informed the Board that he had lived and gone to school in Mexico before returning to California where he was born. When he came back to California in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, it seemed like the transition was easy. He found out later that he was deficient in writing in English. Mr. Rodriguez urged the Board to not extend the emergency regulations.

No action was taken on this item. Further consideration was postponed to the July meeting.

# WAIVERS: CONSENT, WITHDRAWN, PROPOSED CONSENT, NON-CONSENT CONSENT WAIVERS (WC-1 through WC-9)

# GOLDEN STATE EXAMINATION

ITEM WC-1	Request by various districts to waive Education Code (EC)	ACTION
	Section 51451, regarding the method of qualifying this year's high	
	school seniors for a Golden State Seal Merit Diploma.	
	CDSIS # various—list of districts will be provided as a last minute	
	item in blue.	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITION)	

## INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS SUFFICIENCY (Audit Findings)

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Request by five school districts for a retroactive waiver of	ACTION	
Education Code (EC) Section 60119 regarding Annual Public		
Hearing on the availability of textbooks or instructional materials.		
These districts have audit findings for fiscal year 2001-2002 that		
they 1) failed to hold the public hearing, or 2) failed to properly		
notice (10 days) the public hearing and/or 3) failed to post the		
notice in the required three public places.		
CDSIS-02-05-2003 Franklin Elementary S.D.		
CDSIS-09-05-2003 Parlier Unified School District		
CDSIS-126-3-2003 Pond Union School District		
CDSIS-37-04-2003 Round Valley Jt. Elementary S.D.		
CDSIS-03-05-2003 Upper Lake Union High S.D.		
(Recommended for APPROVAL)		
	Request by five school districts for a retroactive waiver of <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 60119 regarding Annual Public Hearing on the availability of textbooks or instructional materials. These districts have audit findings for fiscal year 2001-2002 that they 1) failed to hold the public hearing, or 2) failed to properly notice (10 days) the public hearing and/or 3) failed to post the notice in the required three public places. CDSIS-02-05-2003 Franklin Elementary S.D. CDSIS-09-05-2003 Parlier Unified School District CDSIS-126-3-2003 Pond Union School District CDSIS-37-04-2003 Round Valley Jt. Elementary S.D. CDSIS-03-05-2003 Upper Lake Union High S.D.	

## MILLER-UNRUH READING SPECIALIST

ITEM WC-3	Request by Firebaugh-Las Deltas Unified School District for a	ACTION
	renewal of a waiver of <i>Education Code</i> (EC) 52859(b), the	
	prohibition of using funds coordinated under the School-based	
	Coordinated Program to pay for the local share costs associated	
	with the employment of a Miller-Unruh Reading Specialist.	
	CDSIS-12-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

ITEM WC-4	Request by Lawndale Elementary School District for a renewal of a waiver of <i>Education Code</i> (EC) 52859(b), the prohibition of using funds coordinated under the School-based Coordinated Program to pay for the local share of costs associated with the	ACTION
	employment of a Miller-Unruh Reading Specialist. CDSIS-21-4-2003 (Recommended for APPROVAL)	

## RESOURCE SPECIALIST CASELOAD

ITEM WC-5	Request by New Jerusalem Elementary School District to waive	ACTION
	<i>Education Code</i> (EC) 56362(c) in order to allow the caseload of	
	the resource specialist to exceed the maximum caseload of 28	
	students, but by no more than four students. For Resource	
	Specialist Elizabeth Miller assigned at New Jerusalem Elementary	
	School.	
	CDSIS-17-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

ITEM WC-6	Request by Las Virgenes Unified School District to waive	ACTION
	<i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 56362(c) in order to allow the	
	caseload of the resource specialist to exceed the maximum	
	caseload of 28 students, but by no more than four students. For	
	Nathan Harding assigned at Round Meadow Elementary School.	
	CDSIS-130-3-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

#### SUMMER SCHOOL STATE MEAL MANDATE (original)

ITEM WC-7	Original request by five school districts to waive Education Code	ACTION
	Section 49550, the State Meal Mandate during the summer school	
	session.	
	CDSIS # various	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

#### SUMMER SCHOOL STATE MEAL MANDATE (renewal)

ITEM WC-8	Requests by 51 school districts to waive Education Code Section	ACTION
	49550, the State Meal Mandate during the summer school session.	
	CDSIS # various.	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

## STATE MEAL MANDATE (Saturday School Session)

ITEM WC-9	Request by East Whittier City School District to waive Education	ACTION
	<i>Code</i> 49550, the State Meal Mandate during the Saturday School	
	session.	
	CDSIS-5-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

Judy Pinegar, Waiver Office, informed the Board that Huntington Beach Unified School District had been added to Item WC-8.

• ACTION: Ms. Lee moved that the State Board approve all of the requests in waiver items WC-1 through WC-9. The motion recognized the changes presented in supplemental memoranda pertaining to Items WC-1 and WC-8. The motion also recognized the addition of a request from Huntington Beach Union High School District to Item WC-8.

The motion incorporated the condition recommended under Item WC-1. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

• ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions

Abernethy	yes
Fisher	yes
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	yes
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	yes
Tacheny	yes
Washington	yes

## WITHDRAWN WAIVER (W-4)

HIGH PRIORITY SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM

Request by San Francisco Unified School District for a waiver	ACTION
delaying the timelines for the High Priority Schools Grant	
Program (HPSGP) specified in <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section	
52052.610 (c)(4)(1) for the following schools: John O'Connell	
High School and Starr King Elementary.	
CDSIS-45-4-2003	
(Recommended for DENIAL)	
	delaying the timelines for the High Priority Schools Grant Program (HPSGP) specified in <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 52052.610 (c)(4)(1) for the following schools: John O'Connell High School and Starr King Elementary. CDSIS-45-4-2003

Ms. Pinegar announced that waiver item W-4 had been withdrawn by the district.

#### **PROPOSED CONSENT WAIVERS (W-1 through W-3 and W-5 through W-10)** EQUITY LENGTH OF TIME

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ITEM W-1	Request by Fresno Unified School District to waive Education	ACTION
	Code (EC) Section 37202, equity length of time requirement for	
	kindergarten students to allow full day kindergarten program at	
	Burroughs, Greenberg and Winchell Elementary Schools.	
	CDSIS-33-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	

ITEM W-2	Request by Conejo Valley Unified School District to waive	ACTION
	<i>Education Code (EC)</i> Section 37202, the equity length of time	
	requirement for the kindergarten pupils at Cypress, Madrona,	
	Manzanita and Wildwood Elementary Schools.	
	CDSIS-41-4-2003	
	Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	
	E.C. 33051(c) will apply	

# GRADE CLASS SIZE REDUCTION (Morgan-Hart)

ITEM W-3	Request by Tamalpais Union High School District to waive	ACTION
	portions of <i>Education Code</i> 52084(a) and 52086(a) 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
	Class Size Reduction (formerly Morgan-Hart), the requirement for	
	a 20:1 student to teacher ratio so that the district may provide a	
	25:1 ratio across four core courses—English, Math, Science and	
	Social Studies.	
	CDSIS-3-4 -2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	

# INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FUND

ITEM W-5	Petition request under Education Code Section 60200(g) by Tulare	ACTION
	County Office of Education to purchase nonadopted Instructional	
	Resources for "special education students" using Instructional	
	Materials Fund (IMF) monies. (List attached).	
	CDSIS-36-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

ITEM W-6	Petition request under <i>Education Code</i> Section 60421(d)	ACTION
	60200(g) by Belmont Redwood Shores School District to	
	purchase Instructional Resources (Everyday Mathematics, 2001	
	(K-5) and 2002 (4-5) using Instructional Materials Funding	
	Realignment Program (IMFRP) monies.	
	CDSIS-29-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	

# INSTRUCTIONAL TIME PENALTY

ITEM W-7	Request by Victor Valley Union High School District for fiscal	ACTION
	year 2001-2002 to waive <i>Education Code</i> ( <i>EC</i> ) Section 46202, the	
	penalty for offering less time than what the district offered in	
	1982-1983, at the seventh through eighth grades at Hook Junior	
	High School, Cobalt Middle School, and Victor Valley Junior	
	High School.	
	CDSIS-10-2-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	

ITEM W-8	Request by Albany Unified School District to waive Education	ACTION
	Code (EC) Section 46202(b), for falling below the 1982/83 offered	
	number of minutes at Albany Middle School during the 2001-2002	
	fiscal year.	
	CDSIS-81-3-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	

ITEM W-9	Request by Kerman Unified School District to waive Education	ACTION
	<i>Code</i> (EC) Section 46201(d), the longer day instructional time	
	penalty for falling below the 1986/87 minutes and to waive	
	<i>Education Code</i> Section 46202(b), for falling below the 1982/83	
	offered number of minutes in fiscal year 2001-2002.	
	CDSIS-11-3-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS)	

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS

ITEM W-10	Request by Palo Alto Unified School District for a renewal to	ACTION
	waive Education Code (EC) Sections 62002 (sunset provision) and	
	52046(b)(3) in order to share and coordinate the use of School	
	Improvement funds between Palo Alto High School and Henry	
	Gunn High School.	
	CDSIS-16-4-2003	
	(Recommended for APPROVAL)	

Ms. Pinegar informed the State Board of a technical change; waiver item W-3 was to reflect the years 2003-2004.

President Hastings clarified that W-1, W-2, W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, W-8, W-9, and W-10 were the proposed consent waivers.

- ACTION: Ms. Lee moved that the State Board approve all of the requests in Items W-1 through W-3 and Items W-5 through W-10. The motion recognized a correction to the write-up regarding Item W-3. The motion incorporated the conditions recommended under each of the items, except Items W-5 and W-10, which had no conditions of approval. Ms. Katzman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.
- ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions

Abernethy	yes
Fisher	yes
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	yes
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	yes
Tacheny	yes
Washington	yes

## NON-CONSENT WAIVER (W-11) SUMMER SCHOOL STATE MEAL MANDATE

ITEM W-11	Request by seven (7) school districts to waive Education Code	ACTION
	Section 49550, the State Meal Mandate during the summer school	
	session under the specific waiver authority of <i>Education Code</i>	
	Section 49548.	
	CDSIS # various	
	(Recommended for DENIAL)	

Ms. Pinegar provided background information on the state meal mandate. She informed the Board that two districts had provided information that resulted in a change in the Department's recommendation from deny to approve: Bella Vista Elementary School District and Magnolia Unified Elementary School District were now recommended for approval. In addition, requests from the following districts were withdrawn from this waiver: Berryessa, Fountain Valley, Hughson, and Indian Diggings.

The following individual addressed the Board: Gordon Piffero, Superintendent, Gold Trail Unified School District

- ACTION: Reflecting the modified recommendation of CDE staff, Mr. Rodriguez moved that the State Board (1) approve the requests from the Bella Vista Elementary School District and the Magnolia Union Elementary School District and (2) deny the requests from the Gold Trail Union School District, Los Alamitos Unified School District, Orange Unified School District, Rohnerville Elementary School District, and Stony Creek Joint Unified School District. The motion recognized that the requests from the Berryessa Union School District, Fountain Valley Elementary School District, Hughson Unified School District, and Indian Diggings Elementary School District had been withdrawn. Ms. Katzman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.
- ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions

Abernethy	yes
Fisher	yes
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	yes
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	yes
Tacheny	yes
Washington	yes

ITEM 35	Environmental Effect of Proposed Formation of Turlock Joint Unified	PUBLIC HEARING
	School District from Turlock Joint Elementary School District and	ACTION
	Turlock Joint Union High School District in Stanislaus County.	

President Hastings noted that the Board's action on this item would not affect the outcome of the next item. He informed the audience that speakers on this item should limit their comments to the potential environmental effect of the proposal.

President Hastings opened the Public Hearing at 11:15 a.m.

The following individual addressed the Board: Roger Smith, Facilities Planner, Turlock

President Hastings closed the Public Hearing at 11:16 a.m.

- ACTION: Mr. Nuñez moved that the State Board adopt the negative declaration of environmental impact as presented in the agenda item. Ms. Katzman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.
- ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions

Abernethy	yes
Fisher	yes
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	yes
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	yes
Tacheny	yes
Washington	yes

ITEM 36	Proposed Formation of Turlock Joint Unified School District from	PUBLIC HEARING
	Turlock Joint Elementary School District and Turlock Joint Union	ACTION
	High School District in Stanislaus County.	

Larry Shirey, School Fiscal Services Division, presented the Department's recommendation. He explained *Education Code* section 35542(b), a statute on unification, which allows a high school district to unify without including all the component elementary schools. The Department's recommendations are to approve the unification proposal, exclude Chatom and Keyes Elementary School Districts from the new unified district, adopt the governing board provisions for the unification proposal, and set the area of elections as the entire high school district.

President Hastings opened the Public Hearing at 11:25 a.m.

The following individuals spoke in support of the proposal: Debbie Erlenbusch, member, Turlock Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees Bob Schmidt, Turlock Joint Elementary School District

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the proposal: Marianne Mayhew, member, Turlock Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees Karen Macedo, president, Chatom Union School District Board of Trustees

Rebuttal speaker in opposition to the proposal: Barbara Patman, Superintendent of Chatom Union School District

President Hastings closed the Public Hearing at 11:42 a.m.

President Hastings stated that the Board's action to approve the proposal would not directly result in the formation of a new district, but would allow the issue to go before the local voters. The Board's decision should be based on whether the proposal meets the statutory criteria. Mr. Fisher inquired about the fiscal impact. Mr. Nuñez stated that the Board has heard a number of reorganization proposals and that he was ready to move the Department's recommendation.

- ACTION: Mr. Nuñez moved that the State Board approve the proposed formation of the Turlock Joint Unified School District from Turlock Joint Elementary School District and Turlock Joint Union High School District in Stanislaus County by adoption of the resolution to that effect presented in the agenda item, which incorporates various specifications related to the proposal, including the area of election. Ms. Katzman seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.
- ROLL CALL VOTE: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions

Abernethy	yes
Fisher	yes
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	yes
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	yes
Tacheny	yes
Washington	yes

ITEM 38	Permanent Regulations Regarding Funding Determinations for	ACTION
	Charter Schools Offering Nonclassroom-based Instruction Pursuant to	
	Senate Bill (SB) 740 (Chapter 892, Statutes of 2001).	

Eileen Cubanski, Charter Schools Office, reported on the Office of Administrative Law's rejection of the regulations based on data missing from the rulemaking file. The Department recommends sending the data out for a 15-day public comment period so they can be included in the rulemaking file.

- ACTION: Ms. Tacheny moved that the State Board (1) direct staff to make all necessary changes in the rulemaking file to satisfy the Office of Administrative Law (OAL), including sending out specified information for a 15-day public comment period; (2) if no objections to the regulations are received during the 15-day public comment period, direct staff to submit the corrected rulemaking package to OAL for approval; and (3) if objections to the regulations are received during the 15-day public comment period, direct staff to place the matter on the State Board's July agenda for action following consideration of the objections. Ms. Lee seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 8-0-1.
- ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention

Abernethy	abstain
Fisher	yes
Hastings	yes
Katzman	yes
Lee	yes
Nuñez	yes
Rodriguez	yes
Tacheny	yes
Washington	yes

## SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Ruth Cochrane, Vice President, SRA/McGraw Hill, apologized to the Board for the language in the OCR English Language Development Guide that has drawn criticism and stated that SRA/McGraw Hill has taken action to correct it.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that the language was disturbing. He would like this issue to be included in the agenda for July and to see the new material. Mr. Rodriguez expressed interest in discussing how this offensive material had been approved.

President Hastings requested that the new version of the manual be brought to the Board in July. Ms. Belisle stated that conversations had taken place about how to improve the review process. One thing that is being done at the administrative level is to strengthen the training for volunteers doing legal and social compliance review.

## **Adjournment of Meeting**

President Hastings adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.