



# CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MARCH 2004 AGENDA

<b>SUBJECT</b>  <i>No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001</i> – Including, but not limited to, a report on the February NCLB Liaison Team meeting, Highly Qualified Teacher issues, and supplemental educational services providers.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Action</b>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Information</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Hearing</b>

### RECOMMENDATION

Hear an update on current NCLB activities and NCLB Liaison Team recommendations. Take action as deemed necessary and appropriate.

---

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION & ACTION

This standing item will allow CDE and SBE staff to brief the Board on timely topics related to NCLB.

---

### SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

#### NCLB Liaison Team Report

NCLB Liaison Team met on February 3, 2004. The Chair will report recommendations to the SBE and the Superintendent on the following issues:

- Proposed Amendments to Accountability Workbook
- Identification of Program Improvement Districts
- Title VI Spending Plan
- Primary Language Testing
- Persistently Dangerous Schools

#### Highly Qualified Teacher

Update on Draft NCLB Teacher Requirements Resource Guide:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/pr/nclb/teachqual/not03teacherguide.htm>, and technical assistance to the field on highly qualified teacher.

#### Supplemental Educational Services Providers

Update on approving supplemental educational services providers. The application to become a supplemental service provider can be viewed at

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/iasa/titleone/pi/supservapp.html>.

---

**FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)**

Any State or LEA that does not abide by the mandates and provisions of NCLB is at risk of losing federal funding.

---

**ATTACHMENT**

[Attachment 1](#): AB 312 No Child Left Behind Liaison Team DRAFT Minutes from February 3, 2004, Meeting (4 pages)

DRAFT MINUTES  
(For approval/amendment on May 11, 2004)

AB 312 No Child Left Behind Liaison Team  
*An Advisory Body to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the  
State Board of Education*

California Department of Education  
1430 N Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Monday, February 3, 2004

**Members Present**

Charles Weis, Chair  
Assembly Member Jackie Goldberg  
Robert Nichols  
Alice Petrossian  
Lynette Henley  
Judy Elliott  
Cecelia Mansfield

**Alternates Present**

Cathleen Cox (for Senator Bruce McPherson)  
Dee Brennick (for Assemblymember Jackie Goldberg)  
Christopher Downing (for Barbara Lockert)

**Staff to the Liaison Team**

Camille Maben  
Diane Levin  
Jaime Hastings

**Call to Order**

Chair Chuck Weis called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. after it was determined that a quorum was present.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Chair Weis reviewed the agenda and the order of the topics for discussion and action. Additional items added on highly qualified teacher and kindergarten CELDT testing. The item on IDEA was removed. Motion was made by Henley and seconded by Petrossian for approval of the agenda. Motion passed (6-0, 3 abstentions)

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes were corrected to reflect that Cathleen Cox is an alternate for Senator McPherson and that Linda Gonzales was present at the December meeting. Motion was made by Petrossian and seconded by Downing to approve minutes from the December 1,2003 meeting. Motion passed (6-0, 3 abstentions).

**Public Comment**

This agenda item is included for the purpose of giving anyone in attendance an opportunity to ask questions or discuss non-agenda items with the committee.

Chair Weis opened the floor to public comment. Sherry Skelly-Griffith of the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) addressed the committee on the following issues:

- Title VI Spending Plan
- Criteria for the identification of Program Improvement Districts
- Science Assessments

**Report from State Board of Education**

Rae Belisle, Executive Director for the State Board of Education, gave an update on the following:

- EdFlex
- Local Flex
- New State Board Members

**Information/Action Items:****8.1 Proposed changes to the Accountability Workbook**

Bill Padia provided the committee with 10 proposed changes to California's NCLB Accountability Workbook.

Motion was made by Downing and seconded by Petrossian to recommend approval of the proposed changes to the Accountability Workbook to the State Board of Education. Motion passed 8 ayes – 1 abstention.

**8.2 Criteria for Identification of Program Improvement Districts**

Anne Just presented 3 options to identify school districts for program improvement. The committee discussed each option including an additional option presented by Sherry Skelly-Griffith on behalf of ACSA. After lengthy committee discussion, a motion was made by Nichols, seconded by Downing, to recommend Option 3 plus the additional

criteria of one point of growth on the API for the socio-economically disadvantaged students subgroup. Motion passed 6 ayes, 2 abstentions.

### **8.3 Proposal for Title I set-aside to support under-performing schools**

Wendy Harris presented possible funding priorities for the Title I set-aside, (projected to be \$101 million in FY 04-05). Harris indicated this proposal would also be discussed with legislative staff, education coalition members, and others before being presented to the SBE for approval. Committee asked that Harris return at the next meeting to discuss proposed changes.

Gerry Shelton presented information about a federal report on unspent NCLB funds. Shelton dispensed the myth that California returned a large percentage of federal funds. He reported that California is within its legal limits of carry-over funds.

### **8.4 Title VI Spending Plan**

Bob Anderson presented CDE proposals to the Department of Finance on unallocated Title VI funds. Anderson discussed the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE), the California English Language Development Test (CELDT), data resource guide development, communications and translations strategy for California's accountability components of NCLB, and integration of the California Alternative Performance Assessment (CAPA) into the STAR program. Motion regarding the CAHSEE made by Nichols, seconded by Downing, to add 2-3 days for a total testing window of 5 days in February and up to 5 days in March. Motion passed unanimously.

### **8.5 Primary Language Testing**

Bob Anderson reported that 6 states currently have standards based primary language tests, 14 states are considering devising alternative assessments for English-Learners such as local assessments, and 30 states are providing accommodations such as more time or directions in primary language for their state assessments.

There was also a discussion of timing of CELDT administration for kindergarteners. Motion was made by Petrossian, seconded by Nichols, to request CDE to review decision not to allow LEAs to test kindergarteners in March – June before they enter school. Motion passed unanimously.

### **8.6 Update on IDEA**

Item put over to future meeting.

## **8.7 Persistently Dangerous Schools**

Wade Brynelson presented a proposed revision to the current SBE policy on persistently dangerous schools. If approved by SBE in March, the revision will affect data collection procedures (beginning with 2003-04) and the criteria for the identification of persistently dangerous schools (effective July 2004). Committee discussed the importance of addressing “bullying” in schools. Motion was made by Henley, seconded by Goldberg, to recommend to SBE to adopt CDE recommendations on definition of persistently dangerous schools, including looking at all types of prevention and funding to assist schools that are identified or at risk of being identified. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee requested Brynelson report back on what technical assistance and support will be provided once a school is identified

## **8.8 Legislative Update**

Teri Burns presented information on education bills that have been introduced.

## **8.9 Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates**

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11, 2004. Items for the agenda include: EdFlex, Highly Qualified Teacher, Title I Set-aside, Special Education, and valid and reliable assessment for English-Learners. [Note: The meeting originally scheduled for March 5, 2004, has been canceled.]