

SBOE Contact Information to Support the Teachers' Annotations to the Expert's Draft for 1st Hearing of ELA/SLA Standards on Tuesday, January 31, 2017

Message from Pat Hardy:

I know this seems like a belated request, but this is the best time to contact board members to support my motion for the teachers' recommended revisions to the experts' draft of ELA TEKS. Here's how the teachers' recommendations were developed:

We began with the experts' document that received in December and posted on the TEA website. This is most important. This is not a separate document from that of the experts. The experts' document was the starting point and basis for this document.

The final product reflects collaboration among individuals and organizations including the following:

- The original writing teams appointed by the board members
- Writing team subgroup called back by the TEA to check if the TEKS could be covered in a school year (whose work has been overlooked as far as I can tell)
- The eight ELAR organizations: CREST (Coalition of English and Reading Supervisors of Texas), TCTELA (Texas Council of Teachers of English Language Arts), TALE (Texas Association for Literacy Education), TABE (Texas Association of Bilingual Education), TAIR (Texas Association for the Improvement of Reading), NWPT (National Writing Project of Texas), Texas ASCD (Texas Association of Curriculum Development), and TASA (Texas Association of School Administrators)
- The Higher Education Coordinating Board's Report
- Victoria Young's Report (on behalf of TCTELA)

Your help is needed to encourage SBOE members to vote for the teachers' recommendations. The analysis and suggestions were developed by eight state organizations to improve the experts' draft. (CREST (Coalition of English and Reading Supervisors of Texas), TCTELA (Texas Council of Teachers of English Language Arts), TALE (Texas Association for Literacy Education), TABE (Texas Association of Bilingual Education), TAIR (Texas Association for the Improvement of Reading), NWPT (National Writing Project of Texas), Texas ASCD (Texas Association of Curriculum Development), TASA (Texas Association of School Administrators). Additional suggestions were also integrated from reports by the Higher Education Coordinating Board and Victoria Young representing TCTELA.

Please send a succinct email and/or phone message in your own words to board members (see contact information below) stating your support for the teachers' versus the experts' version. The experts' standards are posted on the TEA website ([here](#)) but are also presented in this document followed by the teachers' version highlighted in blue.

There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, January 31 with a preliminary vote on February 1, 2017, and a final vote for 1st hearing on Friday, February 3, 2017. Pat Hardy will make a motion at the SBOE meeting on Wednesday for acceptance of the teacher's annotation to the experts' draft. Please compare both versions and share your support for the teachers' recommendations before Tuesday. The version receiving the vote will be posted on the Texas Register for public commentary for 30 days. Second

reading and final adoption will be April 18-21, 2017. You may sign up to present by 5:00 p.m., and you may watch webcasts of SBOE meetings ([here](#)).

Send an email to your SBOE representative and cc these two TEA email addresses: sboesupport@tea.texas.gov and to renee.jackson@tea.texas.gov. The first email will send your response to all board members; the second address will go to Renee Jackson at TEA who will keep a count of emails received regarding TEKS revisions. Her contact numbers are: SBOE office (512) 463-9007 and fax (512) 936-4319. Here's the link to find your SBOE representative: ([here](#)).

Your brief response needs to be sent soon before the 1st hearing to let board members know you support the teachers' annotations to the experts' draft.

Thanks so much for sharing your voice in behalf of teachers and students in Texas.
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