Report of the State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board July 20, 2016

The State Board of Education Committee of the Full Board met at 9:13 a.m. on Wednesday, July 20, 2016, in the State Board of Education Room, #1-104, of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. All members of the committee were present, as follows:

<u>Presiding</u>: Donna Bahorich, chair; Lawrence A. Allen, Jr.; Erika Beltran; David Bradley; Barbara Cargill; Ruben Cortez, Jr.; Martha M. Dominguez; Pat Hardy; Tom Maynard; Sue Melton-Malone; Ken Mercer; Geraldine "Tincy" Miller; Marisa B. Perez; Thomas Ratliff; Marty Rowley

Public Testimony

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The Committee of the Full Board received no presentations of public testimony.

Items were considered in the following order: Items #1 and #2; Wednesday's Committee of the Full Board Item #4, Items #3 and #4; Items #5, #8, and #6.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Comments from the Commissioner of Education and Commissioner of Higher Education Concerning College Readiness Issues

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Commissioner of Education Mike Morath and Commissioner of Higher Education Raymund A. Paredes discussed college readiness issues and related issues, such as teacher preparation and testing that can impact student's preparation for higher education.

2. Board Report on First Quarter 2016 Permanent School Fund Performance

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Tom Heiner and Scott Berard of BNY Mellon Global and Risk Solutions, presented the first quarter of 2016 Permanent School Fund performance report. Mr. Heiner began with an overview of the U.S and foreign capital markets. Mr. Heiner then reviewed the performance of the Fund for the first quarter of 2016. He stated that the PSF returned 2.14% for the fourth quarter outperforming the target benchmark by 28 basis points. The Fund ranked in the 10th percentile or top quartile of the Mellon Universe of Public Funds greater than \$1.0 billion for the 3-month period ending March 30, 2016.