

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT[281]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 256.7(5), the State Board of Education hereby amends Chapter 1, "Organization and Operation," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments align the rules with 2013 Iowa Acts, House File 454 (the Department of Education Code correction bill), which included an expansion of the length of service of the student member of the State Board of Education for a term of one or two years. In addition, these amendments make minor adjustments to the review process for student applicants by reducing paperwork and eliminating a submission step.

An agencywide waiver provision is provided in 281—Chapter 4.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the December 11, 2013, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 1244C**. Public comments were allowed until 4:30 p.m. on January 3, 2014. A public hearing was held on that date, and no one attended. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement 2013 Iowa Acts, House File 454, section 1.

These amendments shall become effective on March 26, 2014.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 1.2(1) as follows:

1.2(1) Term. The nonvoting student member shall serve a ~~one-year~~ term, from May 1 to April 30. ~~The student may apply for and serve a second term if the student will not graduate from high school prior to the end of the second term.~~ The student member may serve a second year as the nonvoting student member without having to reapply for the position if the student has another year of high school eligibility remaining before graduation. A vacancy in the membership of the nonvoting student member shall not be filled until the expiration of the term.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 1.2(3) as follows:

1.2(3) Application process. The application process for the nonvoting student member is as follows:

a. The department shall, on behalf of the state board, prepare and disseminate application forms to all school districts in Iowa. In addition to the application itself, the student shall submit all of the following:

(1) A consent form signed by the student's parent or guardian.

(2) An approval of the application signed by the superintendent of the student's district of enrollment or the superintendent's designee.

(3) A letter of recommendation from a high school teacher from whom the student received instruction.

(4) A letter of recommendation from a person in the community familiar with the student's community activities.

~~(5) A letter of recommendation from any third person.~~

b. to d. No change.

e. The applications of the semifinalists shall be reviewed by a committee appointed by the president of the state board. The committee shall submit a list of two to five finalists to ~~the state board for approval and submission to the governor,~~ who shall appoint the student member from the list submitted by the committee on behalf of the state board of education.

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