AGENDA

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 Capitol Extension, E1.028 9:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Committee Business
- III. Opening Remarks
- IV. Interim Charge 2: Review the state's education policy and initiatives regarding middle grades. Make recommendations to ensure a comprehensive state strategy for preparing students at the middle grades for high school retention and success. This review should include an examination of school-based strategies and best practices that encourage at-risk youth to finish school and that deter delinquency, drug abuse and violence.

o Panel 1: Effective Teachers and Principals

- Leslie Huling, Ed.D., Professor, Texas State University San Marcos
- Lynn Kirby, UTeach Program Clinical Professor, The University of Texas at Austin
- Donna Newman, Ed.D., Principal, North East Independent School District
- Joy Barnhart, Technical Assistance Provider, School Improvement Resource Center

o Panel 2: Data Systems

- Barbara Scroggie Knaggs, Associate Commissioner, State Initiatives, Texas Education Agency
- Gloria Zyskowski, Ph.D., Deputy Associate Commissioner for Student Assessment, Texas Education Agency
- Brian Rawson, Director for Statewide Data Initiatives, Texas Education Agency
- James S. Liebman, Simon H. Rifkind Professor of Law, Columbia University
- Dixie Knight, STTE Project Director, Edvance Research
- Stacy Daugherty, Ph.D., Development Manager, Edvance Research

o Panel 3: Innovative Education Alternatives

- Dee Chambliss, Program Officer, Texas Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (T-STEM), Texas High School Project
- John Lopez, Managing Director, Instructional Materials and Educational Technology, Texas Education Agency
- Sandra Bond Chapman, Ph.D., Chief Director, UT Dallas Center for BrainHealth
- V. Public Testimony
- VI. Recess