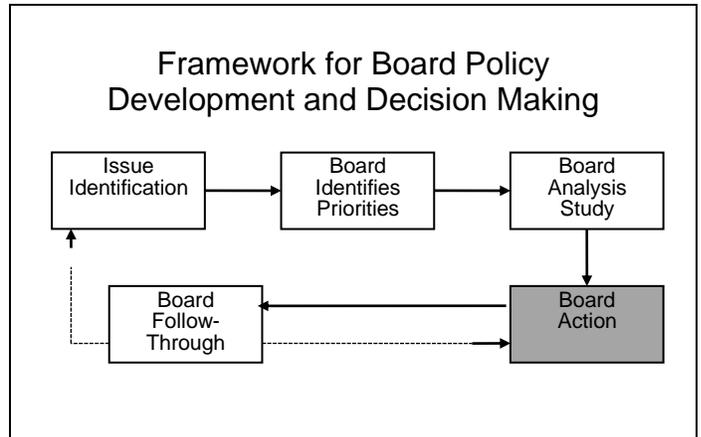


# Iowa State Board of Education

## Executive Summary

August 7, 2014



Agenda Item: State Board Policy Development Priorities for 2014-2015

Iowa Goals: All

State Board Role/Authority: The State Board of Education is established to adopt and establish policy for programs and services of the department pursuant to law (Iowa Code section 256.7(1)). As part of this responsibility, the State Board identifies Policy Development Priorities at their retreat each year.

Presenter: Ryan Wise  
Deputy Director

Attachments: 1

Recommendation: It is recommended that the State Board approve the Policy Development Priorities for 2014 – 2015.

Background: Each year the State Board identifies Policy Development Priorities at the State Board Retreat in June. This year, each Board member will focus on one of the priority areas and possibly be involved with presenting at Board meetings when that topic is being discussed.

At the September State Board meeting, the Board will be presented with goals and indicators of progress for each priority along with the Master Calendar. The Master Calendar forms the basis for State Board meeting agendas in 2014-2015.

**Iowa State Board of Education  
Policy Development Priorities  
2014-2015**

Competency-based Education

Mike Bearden, Angela English,  
Rosie Hussey

Improving Teacher and Leader  
Preparation

Mike Bearden, Angela English,  
Rosie Hussey

Reducing Achievement Gaps (with a  
focus on Multi-Tiered System of  
Supports and Early Literacy)

Brooke Axiotis, Diane Crookham-Johnson,  
Mike May

Assessment

Charlie Edwards and Mary Ellen Miller

Iowa Core

Brad Buck, Mike Knedler, Hannah Rens