

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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DATE: March 26-27, 2008

SUBJECT: **SCIENCE UPDATE: STANDARDS REVIEW**

SERVICE UNIT: Ms. Edie Harding, Executive Director
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PRESENTER: Mr. Jeff Vincent, Board Lead
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BACKGROUND:

David Heil and Rodger Bybee will provide a preliminary report with draft recommendations. The recommendations were developed after an analysis of the standards conducted by the Expert Review Panel assembled by David Heil and Associates, Inc. The Science Standards Advisory Panel reviewed and discussed the draft recommendations at the second Panel meeting held on February 28, 2008.

At the Science Standards Advisory Panel meeting, Jeff Vincent talked to the Panel about why the standards work matters. He reviewed performance data from the Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL) to draw attention to the challenge of moving all children to standard, given current achievement levels. Slides from the PowerPoint presentation are included in this packet.