




Illinois State Board of Education

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ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
100 North First Street
Springfield, Illinois

AGENDA AND SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS **April 20-21, 2005**

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WEDNESDAY, April 20, 2005

Public Conference Call Access Number for Wednesday meetings:
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- 1:00 p.m.** **Finance & Audit Committee** (*pp. 134-145*)
4th Floor Conference Room
- * **2:30 p.m.** **Ad Hoc Rules Committee of the Whole** (*pp. 146-148*)
4th Floor Conference Room
- * **3:00 p.m.** **Governmental Relations Committee** (*p. 149-150*)
4th Floor Conference Room
- * **4:30 p.m.** **Board Operations Committee** (*pp. 151-162*)
4th Floor Conference Room

THURSDAY, April 21, 2005

Public Conference Call Access Number for Thursday meetings:
1-866-297-6391 (*listen only*); Confirmation # 1 1 4 2 1 7 1 3

- 9:00 a.m.** **ISBE Plenary Session** (*p. 2*)
Board Room, 4th Floor
- * **1:30 p.m.** **Education Policy Planning Committee** (*pp. 163-164*)
4th Floor Conference Room
- ** **Closed Session/Lunch**
4th Floor Conference Room

* The meeting will begin at the conclusion of the previous session.

** Chairman Ruiz will call for a break in the Board meeting on Thursday at which time the Board will go into Closed Session over lunch.

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ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Finance & Audit Committee

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

1:00 p.m. 4th Floor Conference Room

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AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Discussion on ISBE Financial Profile Designation (*p. 115*)
3. Discussion of progress on ISBE school district audit reviews (*p. 135*)
4. Update regarding progress of reconciliation of audit findings (*pp. 136-141*)
5. Discussion/update on FY06 Budget & Governor's Proposal (*pp. 142-144*)
6. Discussion of ISBE Bylaws description of Finance & Audit Committee (*p. 145*)
7. Additional items
8. Adjourn

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ad Hoc Rules Committee of the Whole

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

2:30 p.m. 4th Floor Conference Room

(This meeting will begin at the conclusion of the previous session.)

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AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Discussion of Rules for Initial Review
 - a) Part 252 (Driver Education) (pp. 12-31)
 - b) Part 1110 (Education Purchasing Program) (pp. 32-36)
3. Less Red Tape update (pp. 147-148)
4. Additional Issues
5. Adjourn

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Governmental Relations Committee

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

3:00 p.m. 4th Floor Conference Room

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AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Legislative Update (*pp. 150*)
3. Update on Agency/Board Legislative Proposals
4. Spring Waiver Report & Superintendent's Recommendations (*pp. 44-114*)
5. Additional issues
6. Adjourn

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Operations Committee

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

4:30 p.m. 4th Floor Conference Room

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AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Board Calendar (*pp. 152-153*)
 - a. 2005 calendar revisions
3. Resolutions & Recognition (*pp. 154-156*)
 - a. Process & Procedures
 - i. Gathering information
 - a) Final review of correspondence to solicit ideas for recognition
4. Annual Work Conference Planning: August 16 – 19, 2005 (*p. 157*)
 - a. NASBE involvement – tentative agenda
 - b. Staff involvement
 - c. Location confirmation: Pere Marquette
5. October “downstate” meeting (*p. 158*)
6. Discussion of Board Operations Committee agenda format/standardization (*pp. 159- 60*)
7. IASB/IASA/IASBO Joint Annual Conference – discussion of board involvement (*p. 161*)
8. Board Bylaws (*p. 162*)
 - a. Discussion/Recommendations for Revision
9. Additional Issues
10. Adjourn

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Education Policy Planning Committee

Thursday, April 21, 2005

1:30 p.m. 4th Floor Conference Room

(This meeting will begin at the conclusion of the previous session.)

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AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Higher Standards, Better Schools (p.164)
Elliot Regenstein, Governor's Director of Education Reform, will brief the State Board of Education on the Governor's Proposal.
3. Additional Items
4. Adjourn

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ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Board Room, 4th Floor
100 North First Street, Springfield, Illinois

Thursday, April 21, 2005
9:00 a.m.

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NOTES: The Plenary Session will be audio broadcast via the Internet. Chairman Ruiz will call for a break in the board meeting at which time the Board will go into Closed Session over lunch.

Plenary Business Meeting

A. Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

B. Public Participation

C. Approval of Minutes

1. March 17, 2005 (*pp. 3-11*)

D. Announcements and Reports

1. Superintendent's Announcements
2. Chairman's Report
3. Committee Reports
4. Members' Reports

E. Superintendent's Report

***Consent Agenda**

All action consideration items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine and will be enacted in one motion and vote. Any board member who wishes separate discussion on any item listed on the consent agenda may remove that item from the consent agenda, in which event, the item will be considered in its normal sequence.

Action Considerations

- *1. Rules for Initial Review
 - a. Part 252 (Driver Education) (*pp. 12-31*)
 - b. Part 1110 (Education Purchasing Program) (*pp. 32-36*)
- *2. Approve changes in 2005 Board Calendar (*pp. 37-39*)

*3. Provisional Approval of Professional Preparation Programs (*pp. 40-43*)

- a) Chicago State University – School Social Worker
- b) Loyola University Chicago – Technology Specialist
- c) McKendree College – Principal/General Administrative
- d) Rockford College – Learning Behavior Specialist I

4. Approval of the Spring 2005 Waiver Report and Authorization for Submission to the General Assembly by May 1, 2005 (*pp. 44-114*)

5. Approval of ISBE Financial Profile Designations (*p. 115*)

6. Authorization of Settlement Agreement for Cortez, et al v. Calumet Public School District #132, et al. (as needed)

F. Information Items

- 1. Monthly Status Report on Rulemaking (*pp. 116-123*)
- 2. SBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports (*pp. 124-133*)

G. Adjourn

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Illinois State Board of Education Meeting
MINUTES
 April 21, 2005
 100 North First Street, Springfield, Illinois

<p>ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</p>	<p>Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Chairman Ruiz asked Ms. Jean Ladage, Board Services Coordinator, to call the roll. A quorum was present. Dr. Randy Dunn, Interim State Superintendent of Education, was also in attendance.</p> <p>The Board members, Dr. Dunn, and everyone else who wished to join them faced the American flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.</p> <p>Chairman Ruiz announced that the Board meeting was being web cast live over the Internet.</p> <p><u>Members Present:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chairman Dr. Christopher Ward, Vice Chairman Dr. Vinni Hall, Board Secretary Dr. Andrea Brown Mr. Dean Clark Dr. David Fields Ms. Brenda Holmes Ms. Joyce Karon Mr. Edward Geppert, Jr. <p><u>Members Absent:</u></p> <p>None</p>
<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</p>	<p>Mr. Bill Schreck, spoke to the Board regarding agricultural education funding. He informed the Board members about the successful programs that are being funded in Illinois and also mentioned the agriculture entrepreneurial private sector accomplishments. He told the Board that he appreciated their continued support through the agricultural education line item in the State Board's budget. Mr. Schreck noted that the Future Farmers of American (FFA) had recently relocated their headquarters to the Northfield Center in Springfield.</p> <p>Ms. Laurie Jolicoeur, representing the Illinois Classical Conference (ICC), spoke to the Board members regarding Latin teacher certification. Her concerns centered on the issues that she felt surrounded the current certification exam. The main points she made are noted below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It is not aimed at the minimal qualification standard set by the state. 2. It ignores several key recommendations, e.g., vocabulary. 3. It is not thoroughly edited by the Latin Certification Committee. 4. It has not been field tested. <p>Superintendent Dunn stated that it was clear at this point that there is a disagreement of opinion between the State Teacher Certification Board (STCB) and the Latin Certification Committee and the STCB has been forthright in making their position known. He said that it was fair to say that staff has shared the position of the STCB at this point in choosing not to revisit this. Dr. Dunn told Ms. Jolicoeur that if she wanted to work through the State Board committee structure to provide follow up she may do so. Dr.</p>

	<p>Dunn also will have staff member Dennis Williams give an update. He noted that the process for the preparation of this test is no different than any other exam.</p> <p>Chairman Ruiz asked Dr. Fields to address this issue at the May meeting of the Board's Education Policy Planning Committee. Dr. Fields said that he would bring this certification concern before the committee and inform Ms. Jolicoeur of the date and time of their May meeting.</p> <p>Ms. Donna Clark, Principal of Palos South Middle School in Palos School District #118, spoke to the Board regarding their district P.E. waiver request. She asked the Board to forward their request for this waiver to the General Assembly.</p> <p>Dr. Susan Shea, Education Policy Director at the Illinois Education Association (IEA), spoke the Board regarding the waiver requests. She thanked and commended the Board members and staff for the extensive report on waivers. She asked the Board to recommend to deny the following district's waiver requests regarding substitute teachers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waukegan CUSD #60 • Cook County SD #130 • Freeport SD #145 <p>Ms. Jenny Micezinski, a student at Peotone High School, spoke to the Board regarding her success at the Kankakee Area Career Center (KACC) for the last two years. She said that she was in the cosmetology program at KACC and felt that career and technical education (CTE) had helped her improve her technical skills and find a career that she enjoyed. She asked the Board for its continued support for CTE programs in Illinois. She said that without these programs high school students would have limited opportunities to develop their skills and trades that they would like to pursue.</p>
<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p>	<p>Dr. Chris Ward moved that the State Board of Education approve the minutes for the meeting on March 17, 2005. Dr. David Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:</p> <p>Superintendent's Announcements</p>	<p>Superintendent Dunn reported that he had represented the State Board in a number of activities that were heartwarming and exciting. He attended the April 16 Those Who Excel Awards Banquet in Decatur along with Board members Mr. Geppert, Dr. Hall, and Dr. Fields. Dr. Dunn said that during this banquet the new Illinois Teacher of the Year Jacqueline Bolger was honored. Ms. Bolger is a French teacher at Hononegah High School in Rockton. The Superintendent said that the Those Who Excel Awards Banquet recognizes approximately 200 individuals and had around 800 people in attendance.</p> <p>Dr. Dunn attended the annual legislative meeting of the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) in Washington, DC recently. He felt that the conference had been very helpful to him especially regarding NCLB and the Perkins Act. Superintendent Dunn attended the announcement of the National Teacher of the Year and current Teachers of the Year from each state in Washington, DC along with the current Teacher of the Year Deborah Perriman and her husband.</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn met and discussed the NCLB amendments with</p>

	<p>Deputy Secretary Designate Ray Simon of the United States Department of Education along with staff members Gail Lieberman, Ginger Reynolds and Elliot Regenstein while he was in Washington, DC. Dr. Dunn also discussed with Board members his handout regarding the proposed modifications to the Illinois Accountability Workbook. He said that there will be extensive negotiations regarding these modifications with the federal government. He asked the Board to contact staff member Gail Lieberman if they had any specific questions regarding this issue. Dr. Chris Ward asked for an example of how this would affect a school or district using each of the proposed modifications. Dr. Fields said that staff member Gail Lieberman would provide this information at the May meeting of the Board's Education Policy Planning Committee. Dr. Hall and Mr. Clark asked Ms. Lieberman to explain the term "valid" test scores." Ms. Lieberman said that "valid" means that tests are turned in and can be scored. Dr. Brown and Ms. Holmes asked about the proposed change to the test dates. Superintendent Dunn said that there have been discussions with the supporters of proposed legislation regarding this issue. Ms. Holmes asked Dr. Dunn if the Superintendent's Advisory Group had a position on this issue. Superintendent Dunn said that he feels that this group likes the May 1 date.</p> <p>Dr. Dunn discussed the work plan regarding the Strategic Plan's adoption in September 2005. He reported that he had recently met with all of the agency division administrators regarding putting programs together around some of the objectives that are listed in the Preliminary Strategic Plan and also discussed with them the schedule of hearings regarding the plan.</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn informed the Board that he and Chairman Ruiz had attended a meeting with the Governor on March 31 in Oak Park River Forest High School where the Higher Standards Better Schools Initiative was announced. He said that high schools around the state need to be continuously thinking about the programs they have in place – whether they are preparing students to step into the global economy. Ms. Joyce Karon asked about a report that was done previously by the agency staff regarding the schools in Illinois who are meeting high school standards. Dr. Dunn said that this document would be reviewed again in the near future and staff member Elliot Regenstein would discuss the Governor's Initiative in greater detail in the Education Policy Planning Committee meeting immediately following the adjournment of the Board meeting later on today.</p>
<p>Chairman's Report</p>	<p>Chairman Ruiz commented regarding the meetings that he had participated in recently and the upcoming events that he would be attending in the future.</p> <p>March 18 – Keynote speaker at the Annual Atrevete Youth Conference which was sponsored by ASPIRA, Inc. and the del Valle Youth Development Center.</p> <p>March 30 – Attended the 2nd Annual Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning breakfast celebration in Chicago.</p> <p>April 4 – Visited Morton College in Cicero and met with President Dr. Brent Knight and Ms. Diana Almanza regarding preschool.</p> <p>April 12 – Spoke to the South Chicago Industrial Commission in Chicago.</p> <p>April 18 – Visits to Cicero/Berwyn, Elgin and Aurora regarding the Preschool Expansion Initiative.</p>

Committee Reports

Board Operations Committee

Dr. Chris Ward reported that he and the following committee members were in attendance: Dr. David Fields, Dr. Vinni Hall, Ms. Joyce Karon, and Chairman Ruiz.

Dr. Ward commented the committee discussed and made revisions to the Board meeting calendar for 2005. The following changes have been made to the Board meeting schedule:

- **The Plenary Session will begin at 9:00 a.m. on the Thursday of each two-day Board meeting.**
- **The location of the June 15-16 meeting has been changed to Springfield.**
- **A one-day Board meeting has been added on August 11 via phone/video conference.**
- **The Annual Work Conference dates have been changed to August 16-19, 2005, at Pere Marquette State Lodge in Grafton, Illinois.**
- **The October 19-20 meeting will be held in Danville, Illinois.**

Dr. Ward noted that these changes have been posted on the ISBE website.

The committee has firmed up the resolutions and recognition processes to recognize in a proactive way some of the fine work that is being done by Board members, teachers, administrators, and students in the schools in Illinois. The notification of that process will be mailed in the coming week to the regional school superintendents so that they can share it with their local district superintendents. Committee member Ms. Joyce Karon discussed the agenda for the Board Annual Work Conference on August 16-19 at Pere Marquette State Park. She told the committee that Brenda Welburn, Executive Director of NASBE, will be the facilitator for this retreat.

Committee member Dr. David Fields agreed to help with the planning of the October 19-20 meeting in the Danville area. The committee also discussed a standard form for agendas that will help with the flow of information and also talked about the importance of Board members receiving meeting materials and related information in a timely manner. Dr. Ward said that there will be a follow-up contact with the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) regarding the Board's involvement in the Joint Annual Conference in the fall. General Counsel Jon Furr discussed and reviewed with the committee members the proposed revisions to the Board Bylaws. Dr. Ward noted that these changes will bring the Board in compliance with and better represent what they were called upon to do by SB 3000.

Education Policy and Planning Committee

Dr. Fields reported that his committee will be meeting today immediately following the adjournment of the Board meeting. They will be discussing the Governor's Higher Standards and Better Schools Initiative with the Governor's Director of Education Reform Elliott Regenstein. Dr. Fields said they will also be briefed by staff member Sally Vogl on highly qualified criteria.

Finance and Audit Committee

Mr. Edward Geppert reported that he and the following committee members were in attendance at the meeting: Dr. Andrea Brown, Ms. Brenda Holmes

	<p>and Mr. Dean Clark.</p> <p>Mr. Geppert reported that the committee discussed the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISBE Financial Profile Designation List – the committee reviewed the structure of the evaluation process and the results. Committee members are looking forward to seeing long-term data that goes over a period of years. • Progress of ISBE school district audit reviews and follow-up on the findings by staff. • Reconciliation and progress update of Auditor General's ISBE Audit Findings for 2003. • FY06 Budget discussion and update – the committee agreed to invite representatives from the Governor's office to the May meeting. • Reviewed and proposed revisions to the Finance and Audit Committee Board Bylaws description. • Discussed and developed a process to review the expenses of the State Superintendent. • Committee was updated regarding the long-term planning needs in the agency in regards to technology and personnel. • <p>Governmental Relations Committee</p> <p>Ms. Brenda Holmes reported that she and the following committee members were in attendance: Chairman Ruiz, Dr. Chris Ward and Mr. Dean Clark.</p> <p>Ms. Holmes reported that the members of the committee received and discussed a detailed list of current legislation and also a list of the legislation introduced by the State Board. The members also reviewed and discussed with staff member Winnie Tuthill the 2005 Spring Waiver Report and recommendations from Superintendent Dunn and the committee decided on its recommendations to the Board regarding the Waiver Report.</p>
<p>Members' Reports</p>	<p>Dr. Vinni Hall reported that she had attended a special education meeting in Washington, DC on March 28 with staff member Dr. Chris Koch, Mrs. Therese Devine, Chairperson of the Illinois Special Education Advisory Council (ISAC), and Mrs. Debby Kuntz, a member of the Parent Training Information Center (PTI). She said that they heard from representatives at the United States Department of Education who informed them that the federal government had updated their federal forms which will make things more efficient for states and school districts around the country. She said that they also attended many informative workshops with great discussion, especially regarding reporting accurate special education statistics, NCLB, IDEA, and highly qualified teachers.</p> <p>Dr. Hall said that she was the keynote speaker at the Charter School Consortium on April 15 where the Board's Preliminary Strategic Plan was shared with this group. She said that the April 16 Those Who Excel Awards Banquet had been a wonderful experience and she had recently offered greetings from the Board to the State Professional Development Council with Dr. Engrid Carney. She noted that this Council has put out a more innovative professional development curriculum and offered to provide copies to any members of the Board that was interested. She also offered to share a copy of a commemorative issue of the Harvard Educational Review.</p> <p>Ms. Joyce Karon reported that she had been in Washington, DC recently attending a meeting of the Middle and Secondary School Literacy Study</p>

	<p>Task Force and heard discussion around looking at the teacher shortage issues differently. Ms. Karon also noted that she would be sharing copies of a PowerPoint presentation from this meeting with the other Board members. She announced that NASBE has published a new report entitled "From Planning to Practice: State Efforts in Improving Early Childhood." She said that Illinois was profiled in this report and had received a top rating.</p> <p>Dr. David Fields also commented regarding the April 16 Those Who Excel Awards Banquet and noted that it is always very important to recognize all of the individuals that work in our schools. He said that he was encouraged by the award winner's enthusiasm, innovation and commitment, and he commended the agency for this recognition awards banquet. Dr. Fields reported that he had also recently attended a new teacher collaboration meeting at the University of Illinois and he agreed with Ms. Karon's comments regarding the importance of retaining new teachers.</p> <p>Mr. Edward Geppert agreed with Dr. Fields and Dr. Hall that the Those Who Excel Awards Banquet is one of the great celebrations in Illinois. He said that he had recently represented the Board at the Governor's Superintendent's Task Force meeting regarding the Illinois Accountability Workbook. He also attended a meeting with Dr. Dunn and the Chicago Teachers Union officers concerning Chicago schools restructuring issues. Mr. Geppert noted that he had attended and received a warm reception at the Kaskaskia Community College district superintendents spring breakfast on April 18. He noted that there was much discussion regarding the importance of dual enrollment programs.</p> <p>Ms. Brenda Holmes complimented the Public Information Department staff for making available to the media the information regarding the award winners at the April 16 Those Who Excel Banquet. Ms. Holmes also commented about a Those Who Excel volunteer service award recipient from Pawnee who was invited to meet President Bush when he was in Springfield for the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library dedication. Ms. Holmes reported that she had recently attended the spring meeting of the Education Commission of the States (ECS) in Little Rock, Arkansas. She noted that it was a bipartisan event in the sense that the president of ECS is Governor Mike Huckabee, the Republican Governor of Arkansas. She said that Governor Huckabee has chosen Arts in Education as his theme for his two-year term at ECS. She noted that this meeting was very beneficial because of the opportunity to meet with state legislators, state superintendents, and fellow state board members from all over the country to discuss various educational issues that concern everyone.</p>
<p>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</p> <p>Consent Agenda Agenda Items and Motions</p>	<p>Chairman Ruiz commented that all items listed with an asterisk (*) on the agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted in one motion and vote. He noted that any Board member who wishes separate discussion on any item listed on the consent agenda may remove that item from the consent agenda, in which event, the item will be considered in its normal sequence.</p> <p>Rules for Initial Review General Counsel Jon Furr reported to the Board regarding the background regarding the two rules for initial review and gave a general update on the status of rules streamlining.</p>

Superintendent Dunn gave the Board members a brief summary of the items on the consent agenda.

Chairman Ruiz asked for a motion regarding the consent agenda items.

Motion:

Dr. Chris Ward moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the consent agenda items as presented. Dr. Vinni Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

The following motions were approved by action taken in the consent agenda motion:

Rules for Initial Review: Part 252 (Drive Education)

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

Pupil Transportation Reimbursement (23 Illinois Administrative Code 252),

Including publication of the proposed new Part in the Illinois Register.

Rules for Initial Review: Part 1110 (Education Purchasing Program)

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

Education Purchasing Program (44 Illinois Administrative Code 1110),

Including publication of the proposed new Part in the Illinois Register.

Revisions to the 2005 Calendar of State Board of Education Meetings

The State Board approves the changes to the 2005 State Board of Education Calendar of Meetings as indicated in the handout dated April 21, 2005.

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Approval of New Teacher Preparation Programs

The State Board of Education hereby provisionally approves the following programs, thereby authorizing the institutions to conduct the programs and to recommend candidates for certification by entitlement until the time of the institution's next accreditation review.

- Chicago State University – School Social Worker
- Loyola University Chicago – Technology Specialist
- McKendree College – Principal/General Administrative
- Rockford College – Learning Behavior Specialist I

<p>Spring 2005 Waiver Report</p>	<p>Further the State Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to inform the institutions of the State Board's decisions.</p> <p>The Superintendent reported that the Board's Governmental Relations Committee had discussed and reviewed the Waiver Report and his recommendations at the meeting on April 20. Ms. Brenda Holmes thanked staff members Winnie Tuthill and Shelley Helton for the waiver material that was provided to the Board members in advance of the Board meeting. She noted that this gave the Board members the ability to have ample time to review the information and ask questions.</p>
<p>Thornton Fractional Township H.S. Dist. P.E. Waiver Request</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the request from Thornton Fractional Township High School District #215 (WM100-3401-2) asking to waive daily physical education for students in grades 9 through 11 be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendation for legislative disapproval. Ms. Joyce Karon seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>South Beloit Community U.S. Dist. #320 P.E. Waiver Request</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes Moved that the request from South Beloit Community Unit School District #320 (WM100-3447-2) asking to waive daily physical education for students in grades 11 and 12 be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendation for legislative disapproval. Mr. Edward Geppert seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>Somonauk Community U.S. Dist. Waiver of Instructional Time Waiver Request</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the request from Somonauk Community Unit School District #432 (WM100-3370) asking to waive instructional time requirements be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendations for legislative disapproval. Dr. Vinni Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>South Beloit CUSD #320 Instructional Time Requirements Waiver Request</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the request from South Beloit Community Unit School District #320 (WM100-3447-4) asking to waive instructional time requirements should be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendations for legislative disapproval. Dr. Vinni Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>Waukegan CUSD #60 Time Limitations Waiver Request for Substitute Teachers</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the request from Waukegan Community Unit School District #60 (WM100-3390) asking to waive time limitations for substitute teachers should be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendations for legislative disapproval. Mr. Ed Geppert seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>Cook County S.D. #130 Time Limitations Waiver Request for Substitute Teachers</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the request from Cook County School District #130 (WM100-3454) asking to waive time limitations for substitute teachers should be forwarded to the General Assembly with recommendation for legislative disapproval. Mr. Edward Geppert seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>

<p>Freeport S.D. #145 Time Limitations Waiver Request for Substitute Teachers</p> <p>Gavin S.D. #37 P.E. Waiver Requests</p> <p>Remaining 75 Waiver Requests</p> <p>Spring 2005 Waiver Report</p>	<p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the request from Freeport School District #145 (WM100-3506-1) asking to waive time limitations for substitute teachers should be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendation for legislative disapproval. Ms. Joyce Karon seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the requests from Gavin School District #37 (WM100-3517-1 & WM100-3517-2) asking to waive daily physical education and classes in art and music for students in grades K through 8 should be forwarded to the General Assembly with a recommendation for one-year approval only. Dr. Andrea Brown seconded the motion and it passed with a voice vote. Mr. Dean Clark voted no.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the remaining 75 requests summarized in the report should be forwarded to the General Assembly without comment. Mr. Dean Clark seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Ms. Brenda Holmes moved that the Board approve the Spring 2005 Waiver Report, along with the recommendations for disapproval and 1 one-year approval, and authorize its submission to the General Assembly before May 1, 2005. Mr. Edward Geppert seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous roll call vote.</p>
<p>Financial Profile Designations</p>	<p>Superintendent Dunn reported that based upon the Annual Financial Reports completed this past fall for the 2003-2004 school year, the District Financial Profile Designations were created. He noted that the criteria and background of these designations was discussed and reviewed in the Board's April 20 Finance and Audit Committee meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Mr. Edward Geppert moved that the Illinois State Board of Education approve the 2005 School District Financial Profile designations based on school districts' 2004 annual financial data. Dr. David Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>Authorization of Settlement Agreement for Cortez</p>	<p>Chairman Ruiz announced that this agenda item will not be needed at this time.</p>
<p>Items For Discussion And/Or Information</p>	<p>The Chairman announced that the Monthly Status Report on Rulemaking and the State Board of Education Fiscal and Administrative Monthly Reports are printed in the Board meeting materials each month and are for information purposes. There were no inquires this month regarding these reports.</p>
<p>Closed Session</p>	<p>Dr. Vinni Hall moved that the Board enter into closed session under the exceptions set forth in the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Section C 1</u> for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation or dismissal of an employee;</p>

	<p><u>Section C 2</u> for the purpose of considering collective negotiating matters with Board employees or deliberations concerning salaries of employees;</p> <p><u>Section C 11</u> for the purpose of considering pending or probable litigation against or affecting the Board; and</p> <p>She further moved that the Board might invite anyone they wish to have included in this closed session.</p> <p>Ms. Brenda Holmes seconded the motion and it was passed with a roll call vote. Ms. Joyce Karon was not present to vote.</p> <p>The open meeting recessed at 10:55 a.m. and the Board went into closed session. The closed session recessed at 12:05 p.m. and the open meeting reconvened at 12:10 p.m. with all members in attendance. Ms. Joyce Karon told the Board members that she had distributed to them a handout regarding teacher retention issues.</p>
<p>Motion for Adjournment</p>	<p>Dr. David Fields moved that the State Board of Education meeting be adjourned. Dr. Chris Ward seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.</p> <p>An audio compact disc of the meeting is available by contacting the ISBE Board Services Division at 217/557-6626.</p> <p>If listeners of the internet audio broadcast of this meeting have comments regarding the usefulness of this service, please contact the ISBE Public Information Division at 217/782-4648.</p>

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mr. Jesse Ruiz
Chairman

Approved & signed May 19, 2005