Gifted Advisory Council Meeting
Illinois State Board of Education
Conference Room 4North A
September 13, 2012
10:00 – 4:00

• Opening
  o Sally Thomson elected secretary pro-temp, in absence of Jennifer Gendel
  o In attendance: Mike Hatfill, ISBE (through the morning portion); Laura Beltchenko, IGAC Chair; Sally Walker, IAGC Executive Director; Diane Beedy; Terry Mohaupt; Nan Ochs; Sally Thomson; Marci Johnson(ISBE) joined the meeting at 11:45; Linda Tomlinson, Angela Chamness, Shelly Helton from ISBE for p.m. session

• Approval of May 10-11, 2012 minutes
  o Minutes revised and approved

• Nomination of an Ethics Officer
  o Marcy Dutton has been recommended by Laura Beltchenko, Chair of IGAC

• Updates from the field on state and national level that impact educational procedures in Illinois, (brief group discussion with contributions from Mike Hatfill and Marci Johnson)
  o Sally Walker updated with IAGC information
    ▪ Convention moved to Naperville location and second week of February
      • Convention brochures were distributed
    ▪ IAGC membership is down from previous year
    ▪ Jim Curry will be in North Cook ISC and ROE Lake County to present on Common Core Standards in October, 2012
    ▪ No monitoring system at ISBE for existing gifted programs in Illinois
    ▪ Diane Beedy suggested that ROE’s may be able to collect this information
      • Survey will be created through Diane Beedy’s office and sent through ROEs to district superintendents
      • Laura Beltchenko will write introductory statement from Council
  o Mike Hatfill reported on some reorganization at ISBE
    ▪ Career College and Readiness is division IGAC falls under
  o Laura Beltchenko updated with NAGC information
    ▪ Administrators’ Task Force Committee serving to keep administrators abreast of state of gifted education
      • Video being created with interviews of administrators
    ▪ RtI being addressed as in alignment with gifted education
    ▪ Convention will be held in Denver in November, 2012
  o Laura Beltchenko suggested looking at indicators for Rising Star School Improvement strategic plans that enhance gifted education
    ▪ Diane Beedy will get access for IGAC members to the indicators for their review
• Suggestions to initiate the postings on the website and correspondence for the Superintendents’ Newsletter.
  o Gifted Education Seminar
  o IAGC Convention information
  o IAGC professional development opportunities
  o IAGC membership link
  o IAGC website link
    ▪ Mike Hatfill can have information posted; just submit the information to him for posting
• Review information on the voluntary endorsement for teachers of the gifted as presented to the external stakeholders.
  o Discussion regarding process and timeline for creating rules and regulations for endorsement in Gifted Education
• National History Bee
  o Marci Johnson received information to share with IGAC to disperse if desired
    ▪ IGAC felt this was not targeted solely for gifted students
• Continuing the Conversations
• Meeting with Linda Tomlinson, Rules Committee
  o Work session to develop/refine language on rules and regulations for voluntary gifted endorsement to Illinois teacher license
• Debriefing and future planning
  o Locate standards for Gifted Specialist from NAGC or other states
    ▪ If none located, parse through existing NAGC standards for those pertaining specifically to Specialist vs. Teacher
  o Create guidance for implementation of voluntary endorsement requirements

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.
Next meeting: October 3, 2012, 10:00-4:00, ISBE in Springfield
April 10, 2013, 10:00-4:00, ISBE in Springfield