Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:50 p.m. by the Vice Chair, Mrs. McConachie, who asked Alison Harbour, the staff secretary to the Board, to call the roll. Ms. Harbour called the roll of members. A quorum was present.

Vice Chair McConachie indicated that Vice Chair Gidwitz and Mr. Serritella were unable to attend this month’s meeting, and Dr. Steiner would be leaving in five minutes due to travel plans.

Public Participation

The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item B., Public Participation. The following individuals spoke to the Board.

Arlene Zielke, Federal Legislation Consultant with the Illinois PTA, spoke to the Board regarding sexuality education in Illinois public schools outside Cook County.

Barbara Kaplan, representing Solid Foundation, spoke to the Board regarding the Foundation and parental involvement.

Bindu Batchu, representing Metropolitan Planning Council spoke to the Board regarding digital-age learning plan.

Tom Bookler and Pat Haughney, representing the Edison School District and the Illinois Computing Educators, spoke to the Board regarding the State Board's State of Illinois Five-Year Technology Plan.
David Turner, representing the Illinois Principals Association, spoke to the Board regarding No Child Left Behind, Alternative Certification, and Administrators Academy.

**Approval of Minutes**

The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item C., Approval of Minutes.

Motion

Ms. Branch moved that the State Board of Education hereby approve the minutes of the meetings on October 16-17, 2002, as published.

Mrs. Turkal seconded the motion.

**Vote on Motion**

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

- Ms. Branch – Yes
- Mrs. McConachie – Yes
- Mr. Sandsmark – Yes
- Ms. Gold – Yes
- Mrs. Rogers – Yes
- Mrs. Turkal – Yes

**NCATE Agreement**

The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item D., Immediate Action Items, Approve the NCATE Protocol and Partnership Agreement.

The Superintendent asked the Board to approve the proposed Partnership Agreement and Protocol and authorize its filing with the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) by January 1, 2003.

Motion

Mrs. Turkal moved that the State Board of Education hereby accept the NCATE Protocol and Partnership Agreement.

Mrs. Rogers seconded the motion.

**Vote on Motion**

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

- Ms. Branch – Yes
- Mrs. McConachie – Yes
- Mr. Sandsmark – Yes
- Ms. Gold – Yes
- Mrs. Rogers – Yes
- Mrs. Turkal – Yes

**Technology Plan**

The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item D., Immediate Action Items, Approve the State of Illinois Five-Year Technology Plan.
The Superintendent asked the Board to review and approve the final draft of the State Technology Plan and the changes that resulted from the public comments received between August 23, 2003, to mid-October 2002.

**Motion**

Mrs. Rogers moved that the State Board of Education hereby approve the State of Illinois Five-Year Technology Plan.

Mrs. McConachie seconded the motion.

**Vote on Motion**

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

- Ms. Branch – Yes
- Mrs. McConachie – Yes
- Mr. Sandsmark – Yes
- Ms. Gold – Yes
- Mrs. Rogers – Yes
- Mrs. Turkal – Yes

**Rules Part 25**

The Superintendent asked the Board to authorize solicitation of public comment on Rules: Part 25 (Certification). He also said that with the Board’s authorization, staff would submit the proposed amendments to the Administrative Code Division for publication in the *Illinois Register* to elicit public comment.

**Motion**

Ms. Gold moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorize solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

Certification (23 Illinois Administrative Code 25),

including publication of the proposed amendments in the *Illinois Register*.

Mrs. McConachie seconded the motion.

**Vote on Motion**

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

- Ms. Branch – Yes
- Mrs. McConachie – Yes
- Mr. Sandsmark – Yes
- Ms. Gold – Yes
- Mrs. Rogers – Yes
- Mrs. Turkal – Yes
Approve

The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item D., Immediate Action Items, Accept the Montly Standard Monthly Reports: Finance, Audit, and Agency Operations Status Reports

The Superintendent asked the Board to accept the standard monthly reports.

Motion

Mr. Sandsmark moved that the State Board of Education hereby accepts the financial, audit, and agency operations reports presented during the meeting in November 2002.

Mrs. Rogers seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

Ms. Branch – Yes  Mrs. McConachie – Yes  Mr. Sandsmark – Yes
Ms. Gold – Yes  Mrs. Rogers – Yes  Mrs. Turkal – Yes

Financial Profile

The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item D., Immediate Action Items, Approve the School District Financial Profile System.

The Superintendent asked the Board to approve the new School District Financial Profile for use to present financial information about school districts and to establish a financial designation system.

Motion

Mr. Sandsmark moved that the State Board of Education hereby approve the School District Financial Profile System.

Ms. Branch seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

Ms. Branch – Yes  Mrs. McConachie – Yes  Mr. Sandsmark – Yes
Ms. Gold – Yes  Mrs. Rogers – Yes  Mrs. Turkal – Yes
Superintendent Schiller announced the following topics:

- He said that the State Assessment Task Force has been working diligently; it held a public hearing in Homewood; and put on the website a defined assessment proposal. Superintendent Schiller hopes the Task Force recommendations are acceptable so they can be brought to the Board for consideration.
- Alternate Assessment instrument and how we can approve on it.
- Task Force looking at current data that drives the Annual Yearly Progress, and he commend members of Task Force for their diligent work.
- Superintendent Schiller also reported that accomplishments have been tracked in each center. He said this will be done on a quarterly basis.
- Each Core Team member reported out on their accomplishments.
- Deloitte & Touche, Hewitt Associates, and Riverbend Associates Progress Report. (See Addendum #2)

Vice Chair McConachie read a resolution of appreciation to Alison Harbour, State Board Secretary, who is moving to another job. Tokens of appreciation were given her.

Legislative Committee: Board Member Beverly Turkal reported they have gotten to know the partner members/organizations better, and that everyone’s major concern is money.

Finance and Audit Committee: Board member Dick Sandsmark reported they had not met in the last couple months.

Board Operations Committee: Board member Connie Rogers reported that today was Patrick Mogge’s birthday.
Ms. Rogers also reported that in December they will be sending out evaluations/goals for the Director of Board Services. Job title for Patrick Mogge will be Board Services Executive.

Ms. Rogers asked that this be made a motion.

Marilyn McConachie seconded the motion.

Ms. Harbour called roll. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

Marjorie Branch – yes  Judy Gold – yes
Connie Rogers – yes  Dick Sandsmark – yes
Beverly Turkal – yes  Marilyn McConachie – yes

She noted that the Thomas Lay Burrough Award, and the first Educational Hero Award will be handed out at the Triple I.

- Board Policy and Planning Committee: Board Member Marilyn McConachie reported they met and will make a complete report in December on orientation, directions, and suggestions to the next Board. The report will include this Board’s goals, plans and measure its own activities for evaluation purposes.

She stated that Lynne Haeffele Curry and Patrick Mogge were working on a flow chart on the programmatic issues that are the nuts and bolts of the policy work that the Board does. Everyone read a copy of the high school reorganization study that Ms. McConachie worked on with NASBE. Ms. McConachie stated this issue should be on the Board’s radar for the next year, if not sooner.

She noted that a complete statement would be given the board on environmental scanning for new issues – how it should be done by the board in the future, how they can stay ahead of the curve, and complete those initiatives already started.

Mrs. McConachie also stated the Board should be thinking about scenario building, seminars, retreats, and other skill building processes to improve the operation of Board members.
The Vice Chair called for Agenda Item E., Announcements and Reports, Members.

Mrs. McConachie reported that someone in the public asked her how much time it takes to be a Board member. She stated her estimate was around 40 hours per month. Board members Connie Rogers and Dick Sandsmark thought it is more, with 40 hours being just reading time.

Mrs. McConachie said she would like to bring attention to the back of the Board packet to the information items, including a regular report on the status of rule making.

An audiotape of the meeting is available through the State Board office in Springfield (217/782-9560).

The Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Connie Rogers, Secretary

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Ronald J. Gidwitz, Chairman