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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Teleconference
(*See below for call in number)
July 15, 2003

TUESDAY, July 15, 2003
8:30 a.m. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call
(Teleconference)

A. Discussion

- FY04 Agency Budget and Vetoes

Following the discussion, the Board will go into closed session under the exceptions set forth in the open meetings act of the State of Illinois as follows:

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Convene at Meeting/called.

Roll Call

The Special meeting of the State Board of Education was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by the Chair, Dr. Janet Steiner, who asked for the roll to be called. A quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Ronald Gidwitz Beverly Turkal Dean Clark
Richard Sandsmark Joyce Karon Gregory
Kazarian

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Judith Gold

Chair Steiner indicated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the FY 2004 Budget and Vetoes.

Dr. Schiller, State Superintendent and David Wood, Director of Operations, Budget proceeded to explain the budget cuts and vetoes and their implications on the agency’s ability to carry out effective services throughout the state.

Motion

Due to the Governor’s direction to reduce administrative costs, the agency will have to eliminate various services to schools and school districts by further reducing Illinois State Board of Education positions. Ronald Gidwitz made a motion that the Superintendent prepare two plans to
address the funding reductions: one which eliminates all the positions contemplated by the Governor’s vetoes, and a second that retains some of those positions so the agency can meet minimal federal and state requirements for monitoring how school districts use the money granted to them by ISBE. In addition to the two plans in response to the Governor’s amendatory veto message, Gidwitz motioned that there also be a concurrent communication plan to inform the public of ISBE’s position regarding the budget cuts and vetoes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Steiner.

**Vote on Motion**

All members present voted yes.

Another special meeting will be called before the August Board meeting by teleconference or in person.

**Adjournment**
The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Richard Sandsmark and seconded by Joyce Karon. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Richard Sandsmark
Secretary

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Dr. Janet Steiner
Chair