WEDNESDAY, May 18, 2005

Public Conference Call Access Number for Wednesday meetings:
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11:00 a.m. Better Funding For Better Schools Rally
Capitol Rotunda (Board members may attend)

Noon Board Operations Committee
4th Floor Conference Room

1:00 p.m. Education Policy Planning Committee
Board Room, 4th Floor

* 3:00 p.m. Ad Hoc Rules Committee of the Whole
Board Room, 4th Floor

* 4:30 p.m. Governmental Relations Committee
Board Room, 4th Floor

* 5:00 p.m. Finance & Audit Committee
Board Room, 4th Floor

THURSDAY, May 19, 2005

Public Conference Call Access Number for Thursday meetings:
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9:15 a.m. Board members may visit Tech 2005 displays in the Capitol

10:00 a.m. Tech 2005
Capitol Rotunda (Board members may attend)

10:30 a.m. ISBE Plenary Session (pp. 5-110)
Board Room, 4th Floor

* 1:30 p.m. Ad Hoc Strategic Plan Development Committee of the Whole
Board Room, 4th Floor

** 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.
AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Discussion Items *
   a. Annual Work Conference
   b. 2006 & 2007 Meeting Dates
   c. 2006 NASBE Dues
   d. Board Packet & Meeting Preparation
3. Decision Items
   a. Board Operations Committee Description in Bylaws
4. Additional Items
5. Adjourn

* At the conclusion of any discussion item in which the committee is ready to make a decision, a discussion item may be immediately moved for a decision.

EDUCATION POLICY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 18, 2005
1:00 p.m.
Board Room, 4th Floor
(This meeting will begin at the conclusion of the previous session.)

AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Discussion of IMAGE cut scores
3. Background Information on School Restructuring (NCLB)
4. Student Advisory Council
5. Discussion regarding recommendations from the Appeals Advisory Committee
6. Update on Accountability Workbook
7. Certificate Issues and LPDCs
8. Latin Certification Test
   a. Laurie Jolicoeur - representing Latin teachers
   b. Dennis Williams - Division Administrator, Certification, ISBE
9. Teacher Shortages
10. SES Monitoring
11. Education Policy Committee description in Bylaws
12. Discussion of SB 575 and Career & Technical Education
13. Additional Items
14. Adjourn

AD HOC RULES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Less Red Tape Update
3. Discussion of Rules for Initial Review
   a. Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)
   b. Part 50, Repeal (Evaluation of Certified School District Employees in Contractual Continued Service)
   c. Part 251, Repeal (Conservation Education)
   d. Part 253, Repeal (Comprehensive Health Education)
   e. Part 625, Repeal (Health Examinations and Immunizations)
   f. Part 25 (Certification)
   g. Part 180 (Health/Life Safety Code for Public Schools)
   h. Part 500 (Replacement of Required Rules)
4. Discussion of Rules for Adoption
   a. Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)
   b. Part 25 (Certification)
   c. Part 51 (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers)
   d. Part 52, Repeal (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Civil Service Employees Under Article 34)
   e. Part 145 (Temporary Relocation Expenses)
   f. Part 155 (Electronic Transmission of Funds)
   g. Part 350 (Secular Textbook Loan)
   h. Part 475 (Contested Cases and Other Formal Hearings)
   i. Part 480, Repeal (Hearings Before the State Teacher Certification Board)
   j. Part 5001 (Access to Information of the State Board of Education Under the Freedom of Information Act)
5. Additional Issues
6. Adjourn

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Wednesday, May 18, 2005
4:30 p.m.
Board Room, 4th Floor
(This meeting will begin at the conclusion of the previous session.)

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AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Legislative Update
3. Governmental Relations Committee description in Bylaws
4. Additional issues
5. Adjourn

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE
Wednesday, May 18, 2005
5:00 p.m.
Board Room, 4th Floor
AGENDA

1. Public Participation
2. Discussion of timing of audit of state categorical reimbursement claims
3. Discussion of QZAB bond authorization(s)
4. Discussion of Certification of School Districts Deemed to be in Financial Difficulty
5. Discussion of Financial & Compliance Audit Report
6. Finance & Audit Committee description in Bylaws
7. Discussion/update on FY06 Budget & Governor's Proposal
8. Additional items
9. Adjourn

AD HOC STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Thursday, May 19, 2005
1:30 p.m.
Board Room, 4th Floor
(This meeting will begin at the conclusion of the Plenary Session.)

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AGENDA

1. Discussion of draft work plan
2. Adjourn

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Room, 4th Floor
100 North First Street, Springfield, Illinois

Thursday, May 19, 2005
10:30 a.m.

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NOTE: 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. Resolutions & Recognition

1. Walt Warfield, President-Elect, Horace Mann League, Presentation to State Board
2. Resolution regarding Career Tech Education/SB 575

C. Public Participation

D. Approval of Minutes
E. Announcements and Reports

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

F. 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* ([download Rules packet])
   a. Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)
   b. Part 50, Repeal (Evaluation of Certified School District Employees in Contractual Continued Service)
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   j. Part 5001 (Access to Information of the State Board of Education Under the Freedom of Information Act)

*3. Approval of Professional Education Preparation Programs* (pp. 18-21)
   a. Aurora University - Reading Specialist
   b. Northern Illinois University - Learning Behavior Specialist II
      1. Curriculum Adaptation
      2. Behavior Intervention
      3. Multiple Disabilities
      4. Technology
   c. University Of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - Alternative Certification
      1. Secondary Education - Mathematics and Science
*4. Approval of State Board of Education Bylaws Amendments (pp. 22-41)

*5. Approval of IMAGE Cut Scores (pp. 42-44)


7. QZAB Bond Authorization(s) (pp. 46-62)

8. Certification of School Districts Deemed to be in Financial Difficulty (pp. 63-78)

9. Update the Approved List of Supplemental Educational Service Providers (pp. 79-84)

10. Determinations on Recommendations from the Appeals Advisory Committee (pp. 85-88)

11. Authorization of Request for Sealed Proposal for IMAGE Testing (pp. 89-91)


**Information Items**

1. Monthly Status Report on Rulemaking (pp. 92-99)

2. SBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports (pp. 100-113)

**G. Adjourn**

**Illinois State Board of Education**

100 North First Street

Springfield, IL 62777
Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:36 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.

The Board members, Dr. Dunn, and everyone else who wished to join them faced the American flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Ruiz appointed Dr. Andrea Brown as Secretary Pro Tem in the absence of Board Secretary Dr. Vinni Hall.

Chairman Ruiz announced that the Board meeting was being audio web cast live over the Internet.

**Members Present:**
- Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chairman
- Dr. Christopher Ward, Vice Chairman
- Dr. Andrea Brown, Secretary Pro Tem
- Mr. Dean Clark
- Dr. David Fields
- Ms. Brenda Holmes
- Ms. Joyce Karon
- Mr. Edward Geppert, Jr.

**Members Absent:**
- Dr. Vinni Hall, Board Secretary

Chairman Ruiz welcomed Walt Warfield, Executive Director of the Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA), and announced that he had been appointed as president-elect of Horace Mann League of America. Mr. Warfield presented the State Board with the second in a series of posters from the Horace Mann League that commemorates the work done by Horace Mann. He said that this poster was a gift to the State Board to say thank you for the work that they do to help put school people in contact with the citizens and students they serve. He also noted that the quotes of Horace Mann that appear on both posters are historically accurate.

The following resolution was endorsed by the State Board after discussion and approval by the Board’s Education Policy Planning Committee at their May 18 meeting.

Dr. David Fields read the following motion entitled “Graduation Requirements and Career & Technical Education.”

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Board of Education supports increasing graduation requirements; and

WHEREAS, both increased graduation requirements and Career and Technical Education courses serve the goal of preparing students for an increasingly competitive workplace; and

WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education courses partner the rigor of higher standards with the relevance of core academic subjects in every day life; and
WHEREAS, the Illinois State Board of Education is committed to encouraging the development and expansion of Career and Technical Education; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Board of Education currently allows districts to count Career and Technical Education science courses that include a science lab component towards minimum graduation requirements; and

WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education courses are not generally used to fulfill state mathematics requirements, but there are Career and Technical Education courses that could be aligned with state mathematics standards;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Illinois State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Education shall also:

1. Maintain the rigor of its current standards; and
2. Work with local school districts and the Career and Technical Education community to increase the number of Career and Technical Education courses to be used to satisfy graduation requirements in mathematics and science.

Dr. Chris Ward seconded the motion and it was passed with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman announced that there would be a separate sign-in sheet for Public Participation regarding the following topics: School District Financial Certification and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Appeals Advisory Committee Recommendations. He noted that participants wishing to address the Board would be able to do so when the topic was discussed in the meeting.

Chairman Ruiz then proceeded by calling the regular Public Participation participants. Mr. Jack Wuest, Executive Director of the Alternative Schools Network, spoke to the Board regarding TAOEP funding. He told the Board that the youth employment rate is the lowest that it has ever been. He also told the Board that he encouraged more funding for programs which help high school dropouts. Mr. Corey Reynolds, a teacher at Olive Harve Middle College and two of his students shared their positive experiences at their school. They urged the Board to support additional funding so that more students may be helped. Ms. Brenda Holmes thanked Mr. Reynolds and the students for their comments and asked what kinds of courses are most taken at their school. Mr. Reynolds answered that most students take college preparation and remedial courses.

Mr. Stephen L. Riley, Chairman and President of Omnibus Education Management, spoke to the Board regarding his inspirational education plan for the nation.

Mr. Bill Kienzle, Co-Founder of Educational Advocacy Services of Illinois (EASI), spoke to the Board regarding the proposed cut in funding for the Autism/PDD Training and Technical Assistance Project. He asked the Board not to cut this program, but to increase the funding to reflect the dramatic increase in the number of students on the Autism Spectrum, and the excellence of this project.

Dr. Susan Shea, representing the Illinois Education Association (IEA), spoke to the Board regarding the Latin Certification Test. She told the Board that it is her recommendation to listen to the four institutions that prepare Latin teachers when they say that the test is too hard. She asked the State Superintendent to have a conversation with the four institutions and hear their concerns. She also spoke to the Board regarding House Joint Resolution 41, especially regarding ESEA. Dr. Shea
praised staff members Ginger Reynolds and Jon Furr regarding their written material regarding “highly qualified.” She thanked staff member Mark Kolaz and the Governmental Relations staff members for their efforts to have ongoing meetings regarding legislation of mutual concern to ISBE and IEA. She also praised the Certification Division for their willingness to meet with them on a regular basis also. She thanked the State Board for working with them to make things happen together.

Ms. Cynthia Wood, representing the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB), invited Board members to the Tech 2005 computer demonstrations being held at the State Capitol. She also thanked Superintendent Dunn for his remarks at the opening ceremony earlier in the day and presented him with an official Tech 2005 t-shirt. She presented the State Board members with Tech 2005 lapel pins and thanked them for their support of this event. Ms. Brenda Holmes thanked Ms. Wood for her involvement in this project.

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<th>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</th>
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<td>ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:</td>
<td>Superintendent Dunn took a moment to introduce two staff members: Ms. Melissa Oller, newly-appointed Division Administrator for Fiscal and Administrative Services; and a new employee, Mr. Mark Williams, Division Administrator for Career Development and Preparation. Superintendent Dunn then spoke about his recent visit to Sunnybrook School where he saw all kinds of great work going on regarding this district meeting Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). Superintendent Dunn spoke about the technology showcase by students at Tech 2005 and thanked staff members Mr. Eamon Kelly and Dr. Connie Wise for the Quick School Profile posters which were displayed in the State Board Room. He reported that he had been speaking around the state to support the Governor’s Higher Standards Better Schools Initiative. Dr. Dunn asked staff member Mr. Mark Kolaz to update the Board Members regarding the cost saving efforts going on in the agency. Mr. Kolaz gave brief comments regarding the closing of the print shop, warehouse, and the transfer of the video production studio. Ms. Brenda Holmes asked questions regarding how many employees will be affected by these efforts and how much will the agency save by these changes, especially in the print shop. She asked Mr. Kolaz and Ms. Linda Mitchell to provide the Board a detailed breakdown regarding the agency’s printing costs.</td>
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<td>Superintendent’s Announcements</td>
<td>The Chairman announced that the agenda item IMAGE Cut Scores was being removed from today’s agenda. He said that he anticipated addressing this agenda item at the June Board meeting. He noted that he had attended the following events:</td>
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| Chairman’s Report        | April 22-23 Education panel member at the 8th Annual Harvard Latino Law & Public Policy Conference  
April 28 Breakfast speaker – IASA Annual Conference, Springfield  
April 29 Panel member on major policy panel on jobless & out-of-school youth, Chicago -- Senator Emil Jones was the keynote speaker. The event was sponsored by:  
▪ World Business Chicago,  
▪ Chicagoland Chamber,  
▪ Chicago Community Trust,  
▪ Woods Fund of Chicago & Alternative Schools Network.  
April 30 Attended El Dia de los Ninos/Celebrating Young Americans Parade, Chicago Pilsen neighborhood |
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<td>May 16</td>
<td>Attended the announcement of the Governor’s Education Excellence Task Force</td>
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<td>Met with representatives of the University of Chicago’s Urban Schools Initiative</td>
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**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 that the committee discussed the Board’s Annual Work Conference, which will be held on August 16-19, 2005, at Pere Marquette State Park in Grafton. He noted that Mr. Edward Geppert and Ms. Joyce Karon have been working on the agenda and events for this conference. The committee also had a preliminary discussion regarding the Board meeting dates for 2006 and 2007. The committee recommended continuing membership in NASBE and paying next fiscal year’s dues. Dr. Ward said that the committee has agreed to make the changes to the Board Bylaws with the help of General Counsel Jon Furr.

**Education Policy and Planning Committee**

The committee met on Thursday, April 21 and May 18. Dr. Fields reported that he and the following committee members were present on April 21: Dr. Andrea Brown, Mr. Edward Geppert, Dr. Vinni Hall, and Ms. Joyce Karon. On May 18, Dr. David Fields, Dr. Andrea Brown, Mr. Edward Geppert, and Ms. Joyce Karon were in attendance. Dr. Vinni Hall was not in attendance at the meeting on May 18.

On April 21, the committee discussed the Governor’s Higher Standards and Better Schools Initiative with the Governor’s Director of Education Reform Elliott Regenstein. They also discussed the highly qualified criteria with staff member Sally Vogl.

On May 18, the committee discussed the review of the Assessment Division, and they received background information on school restructuring from staff member Myron Mason. They discussed the Student Advisory Council application process and decided to make sure that applications are solicited from Chicago. Staff member Gail Lieberman provided information regarding the Appeals Advisory Committee recommendations and also updated the Board about the proposed amendments to the Accountability Workbook. Staff member Dennis Williams clarified information regarding the Certificate Renewal process and the role of the LPDC. They also heard from representatives of the Classical Conference and Mr. Williams regarding the Latin Certification Test. Staff members Jon Furr and Ginger Reynolds gave an overview of the agency’s plans to increase regulatory oversight of SES providers and will work with Board members Dr. Vinni Hall and Dr. Andrea Brown on this issue. The committee approved their Board Bylaws description and endorsed a resolution for graduation requirements and Career and Technical Education (CTE). The committee was unable to discuss teacher shortages but was provided with a handout regarding this issue, and
Mr. Edward Geppert reported that he and the following committee members were in attendance at the meeting: Dr. Andrea Brown, Ms. Brenda Holmes and Mr. Dean Clark.

Mr. Geppert thanked the committee members and staff for their attendance at the committee meeting. He reported that the committee discussed the following topics:

- Timing of audit of state categorical reimbursement claims discussion with staff member Mr. Robert Wolfe – the committee is happy about what is being done on these audits.
- QZAB bond authorization discussion with staff member Debbie Vespa – the committee was very pleased with the quality of materials regarding this issue.
- School Districts In Financial Difficulty discussion with staff member Debbie Vespa – the committee agrees that this is a very difficult issue and the Board will hear from the affected districts during today’s meeting.
- Financial & Compliance Audit Report discussion with staff member Debbie Scheiter – the committee believes that progress is being made regarding the Auditor General’s findings.
- Finance and Audit Committee Board Bylaws description discussion – the committee approves the changes.
- Update on FY06 Budget and Governor’s Proposal discussion – the committee has recommended the following motion from this discussion.

**Motion:**
Mr. Edward Geppert moved that on behalf of the Finance and Audit Committee the Illinois State Board of Education hereby authorizes a communication from the Chairman and State Superintendent to be forwarded to the Governor, the Senate and House Majority and Minority Leadership, the members of the House Elementary & Secondary Education Appropriations Committee and the Senate Appropriations III Committees. He further moved that this communication shall reflect the State Board of Education’s endorsement of the funding of the Board’s priorities as adopted in February 2005, plus the new program initiatives sponsored by the Governor. The remaining available dollars shall go to the top two priorities of General State Aid/Hold Harmless and Mandated Categoricals. Ms. Brenda Holmes seconded the motion.

Ms. Karon asked questions for clarification regarding the Mandated Categoricals. Mr. Geppert noted that the purpose of this motion was to officially notify the Governor and legislators that the State Board supports the increases in the Mandated Categoricals. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

**Governmental Relations Committee**
Ms. Brenda Holmes reported that she and the following committee members were in attendance: Chairman Ruiz, Dr. Chris Ward and Mr. Dean Clark.

Ms. Holmes reported that the members of the committee received and discussed a detailed legislative update and handout from staff member Nicole Wills. She noted that the committee was given updates on the State Board of Education bills and she said they were especially pleased that the bill to clean up the School Code is moving forward. The committee also heard discussion regarding the following topics:

- Funding reform legislation
- Grow Your Own legislation
- Gifted Education legislation
- Hearings by House and Senate on the State Board’s School Waiver recommendations
- Mandates regarding bills that are moving forward

The committee discussed and approved changes to its description in the Board’s Bylaws. Ms. Holmes complimented the staff for keeping the Board members well informed and prepared.

| Change In Agenda Order | Chairman Ruiz announced that there was a change in the agenda order and the Board would now be addressing the agenda items regarding the certification of school districts in financial difficulty and the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) appeals. |
| Certification of School Districts in Financial Difficulty | Superintendent Dunn reported that the purpose of this agenda item is to share the results of the financial review conducted of twenty-five school districts and to discuss in detail the financial condition of six of the twenty-five school districts. This review was conducted utilizing the June 30, 2004, Annual Financial Report and district financial data discussed with each district superintendent and/or business manager, via one-on-one, on-site district visits. The Board heard testimony from the district superintendents and staff of the school districts listed below. They each explained their district’s financial history and answered questions regarding the background of their district’s budget and what they are doing to work to improve their financial situation. All of the districts noted below asked the Board not to certify their district as in “Financial Difficulty.” |
| PUBLIC PARTICIPATION | Mr. Mark Spaid, Superintendent, Divernon Community School District 13, Sangamon County  
Dr. Doris Langon, Superintendent, Fairmont School District 89, Will County  
Mr. Greg Moates, Superintendent, Harmony Emge School District 175, St. Clair County  
Mr. Ed Bradley, Superintendent, Harrisburg Community Unit School District 3, Saline County  
Mr. Michael Duffy, Superintendent, South Beloit Community Unit School District 320, Winnebago County  
Representatives from Gallatin Community Unit School District 7, Gallatin County, were unable to attend the Board meeting due to district graduation ceremonies. The Board publicly invited this school district’s representatives to attend the State Board meeting in June to discuss their financial situation. |

**Motion:**  
Mr. Edward Geppert moved that staff continue to monitor each of the districts and that they be invited back to the State Board’s October meeting to give the Board an update on their movement for resolving their financial situation. Mr. Dean Clark seconded the motion.  

Mr. Geppert amended the motion with the following language:  

“Staff will continue to monitor all of the districts and the State Board invites all the district’s representatives, except Gallatin Community Unit School District 7, to the October State Board meeting to update the Board members on their progress towards meeting plans to address their fiscal problems. He further moved that representatives from the Gallatin Community Unit School District 7 will be invited to make a presentation to the State Board at their June Board meeting.”  

The amended motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.
### Telly Award

Superintendent Dunn announced that the Illinois State Board of Education has won a 2006 Silver Telly Award for its interactive DVD production on the Illinois Reading Academy. The Telly is the premier award honoring outstanding local, regional and cable TV programs, as well as video and film productions. The Telly Awards receives over 10,000 entries annually from all 50 states and many foreign countries. Judges are from all regions of the United States and winners have included ABCNEWS, Discovery Kids, MSNBC, The History Channel, and Xerox Corporation. Staff member Rick Reedy was named on the ISBE Silver Telly Award as Producer/Director. Other ISBE staff who contributed to the project are: J. Mitch Hopper, Kathy Stratton, Jamey Baiter, and Becky Phillips.

### AYP Appeals Advisory Committee Recommendations

Superintendent Dunn reported that the purpose of this agenda item was to apprise members of the Board regarding the work of the Appeals Advisory Committee and their recommendations to the State Superintendent of Education, and for the Board to take action.

The following school district representatives addressed the Board members regarding the Appeals Advisory Committee’s recommendation about their district and/or a school in their district.

- **Ms. Teresa Lane, Assistant Superintendent, McHenry Community School District 156**
- **Dr. Christine Benson, Superintendent, Ottawa Elementary School District 141**
- **Dr. Edward Allen, Jr, Superintendent, Streator Elementary School District 44**
- **Dr. William Schewe, Superintendent, School District 45 DuPage County**
- **Dr. Rene Noppe Jr., Superintendent of Silvis School District 34**

Staff members Gail Lieberman and Renee Vilatte discussed with the Board members the background information regarding this agenda item and noted that they are working with the federal government on this issue as well. Board members expressed concerns about the timeliness of the notification of AYP and also about creating additional barriers for school districts to overcome.

**Motion:**

Dr. Chris Ward moved that the State Board of Education hereby endorses the recommendations of the Appeals Advisory Committee, as recommended by the State Superintendent of Education, regarding the two schools named – Schafer Elementary School and Silvis Junior High School. He further moved that the Board conditionally endorses the committee’s recommendations regarding district AYP status. In that regard, the Board requests that the State Superintendent enter into discussion with the U. S. Department of Education on the district AYP notice provision and Year One issues on district sanctions. Ms. Joyce Karon seconded the motion and it passed with the following roll call votes:

- Dr. Andrea Brown – yes  Mr. Dean Clark – no
- Dr. David Fields – yes  Mr. Edward Geppert – yes
- Dr. Vinni Hall – absent  Ms. Brenda Holmes – no
- Ms. Joyce Karon – no  Mr. Jesse Ruiz – yes
- Dr. Chris Ward – yes

Dr. Chris Ward stated that everyone sympathizes with the impact that the NCLB legislation has had on school districts. He said he believes that the risk is too great to not honor what we have been given to work with – we have to abide by what we said we were going to do and what is before us.
| **Closed Session** | Mr. Dean Clark 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:

*Section C 1* for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation or dismissal of an employee;

*Section C 11* for the purpose of considering pending or probable litigation against or affecting the Board; and

She further moved that the Board might invite anyone they wish to have included in this closed session.

Ms. Brenda Holmes seconded the motion and it was passed with a roll call vote. Ms. Joyce Karon was not present to vote.

The open meeting recessed at 3:00 p.m. and the Board went into closed session. The closed session recessed at 4:10 p.m. and the open meeting reconvened at 4:15 p.m. |
| **Authorization of Settlement Agreement for Cortez, et al v. Calumet SD 132, et al** | Mr. Dean Clark moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a settlement agreement for Cortez v. Calumet Public School District 132 consisting of the following terms:

- The term of the agreement is 4 years.
- District 132 needs to take various steps with regard to their Transitional Bilingual Education/Transitional Program of Instruction (TBE/TPI) program.
- ISBE will monitor District 132’s efforts to accomplish these steps. Specifically, ISBE will perform full compliance reviews of District 132 in January 2006, April 2007, and January 2009. Each review will be followed by a cycle that includes a written report by ISBE, a responsive Plan by Calumet and meetings to discuss such documents. The frequency of compliance reviews is greater than normal (the standard is one every three years) but addressed Judge Filip’s concern in the least burdensome manner as possible.
- ISBE is not required to provide District 132 with any more funds that it otherwise would in the absence of this lawsuit.
- ISBE apportioned Attorneys’ fees will not exceed $25,000.

Dr. Chris Ward seconded the motion and it passed with the following roll call votes:

| Dr. Andrea Brown – yes | Mr. Dean Clark – yes |
| Dr. David Fields – yes | Mr. Edward Geppert – yes |
| Dr. Vinni Hall – absent | Ms. Brenda Holmes – yes |
| Ms. Joyce Karon – yes | Mr. Jesse Ruiz – abstain |
| Dr. Chris Ward – yes |  |

| **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** | 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. |
| **Consent Agenda Agenda Items and Motions** | Rules for Initial Review

General Counsel Jon Furr reported to the Board regarding the background of the rules for initial review and adoption, gave a general update on the status of rules streamlining, and discussed the changes to the Board’s Bylaws.

Superintendent Dunn gave the Board members a brief summary of the additional items on the general consent agenda – approval of Professional Preparation Programs and acceptance of the Financial and Compliance Audit Report. |
Motion to approve the General Consent Agenda items

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

**Motion:**
Mr. Edward Geppert moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the consent agenda items as presented, excluding Agenda Item F.5.: Approval of IMAGE Cut Scores, set forth on the posted consent agenda. Mr. Dean Clark seconded the motion and it passed with a voice vote. Dr. David Fields abstained from the vote.

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

**Rules for Initial Review**
**Part 1, (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)**
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision (23 Illinois Administrative Code 1),

including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register.

**Rules for Initial Review**
**Repeal of Part 50 (Evaluation of Certified School District Employees in Contractual Continued Service), Part 251 (Conservation Education), Part 253, Repeal (Comprehensive Health Education), and Part 625 (Health Examinations and Immunizations).**
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

- Evaluation of Certified School District Employees in Contractual Continued Service (23 Illinois Administrative Code 50);
- Conservation Education (23 Illinois Administrative Code 251);
- Comprehensive Health Education (23 Illinois Administrative Code 253); and
- Health Examinations and Immunizations (23 Illinois Administrative Code 625 Repeal),

including publication of the proposed repealers in the Illinois Register.

**Rules for Initial Review**
**Part 25 (Certification)**
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

- Certification (23 Illinois Administrative Code 25),

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

**Rules for Initial Review**
**Part 180 (Health/Life Safety Code for Public Schools)**
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

- Health/Life Safety Code for Public Schools (23 Illinois Administrative Code 180),

including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register.
Rules for Adoption

Rules for Initial Review

**Part 500 (Replacement of Required Rules)**
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:
- Replacement of Required Rules (23 Illinois Administrative Code 500), Including publication of the proposed new Part in the Illinois Register.

Rules for Adoption

**Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)**
The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision (23 Illinois Administrative Code 1).

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

Rules for Adoption

**Part 25 (Certification)**
The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Certification (23 Illinois Administrative Code 25).

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

Rules for Adoption

**Part 51 (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers) and Part 52, Repeal (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Civil Service Employees Under Article 34)**
The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Dismissal of Tenured Teachers (23 Illinois Administrative Code 51); and
- Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Civil Services Employee Under Article 34 (23 Illinois Administrative Code 52).

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

Rules for Adoption

**Part 145 (Temporary Relocation Expenses)**
The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Temporary Relocation Expenses (23 Illinois Administrative Code 145).

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

Rules for Adoption

**Part 155 (Electronic Transmission of Funds)**
The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Electronic Transfer of Funds (23 Illinois Administrative Code 155).
## Approval of Professional Preparation Programs

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

### Rules for Adoption

#### Part 350 (Secular Textbook Loan)

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Secular Textbook Loan (23 Illinois Administrative Code 350).

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

### Rules for Adoption

#### Part 475 (Contested Cases and Other Formal Hearings)

#### Part 480 (Access to Information of the State Board of Education Under the Freedom of Information Act)

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:
- Contested Cases and Other Formal Hearings (23 Illinois Administrative Code 475); and
- Hearings Before the State Teacher Certification Board (23 Illinois Administrative Code 480).

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

### Rules for Adoption

#### Part 5001 (Access to Information of the State Board of Education Under the Freedom of Information Act)

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for:

## Approval of Professional 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.

- **Aurora University – Reading Specialist**
- **Northern Illinois University – Learning Behavior Specialist II**
  1. Curriculum Adaptation
  2. Behavior Intervention
  3. Multiple Disabilities
  4. Technology
- **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – Alternative Certification**
  1. Secondary Education – Mathematics and Science

Further the State Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to inform the institutions of the State Board’s decisions.
Board Bylaws Amendments
The State Board of Education adopts the amendments to the Bylaws recommended for adoption by the Board Operations Committee.

Acceptance of Financial and Compliance Audit Report
The State Board of Education hereby accepts the FY04 Financial and Compliance Audit Report issued by the Office of the Auditor General.

End of Consent Agenda

Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) Credit Allocation

Motion:
Dr. Chris Ward moved that the Illinois State Board of Education approve the applications submitted by the districts listed below for designation of $17,445,000 in bonds from the calendar year 2004 allocation and $16,819,000 in bonds from the calendar year 2005 allocation as Qualified Zone Academy Bonds pursuant to the provisions of Section 1397E of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Qualified Zone Academy Bond Program). Dr. David Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

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SES Providers Authorization

Motion:
Dr. Andrea Brown moved that Whereas the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires that the State Board of Education promote maximum participation of supplemental educational service providers and to maintain an updated list of approved providers, I move that the providers identified on Attachment #2 be approved for addition to the Illinois list of approved supplemental educational service providers. Dr. Chris Ward seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Authorization of Request for Sealed Proposal for IMAGE Testing

Superintendent Dunn reported that this agenda item is for the Board to authorize the issuance of a Request for Sealed Proposals (RFSP) to continue the Illinois Measure of Growth in English (IMAGE) printing, delivery, scoring, and reporting of results services. Ms. Brenda Holmes asked if the Governor’s Office of Management and Budget and legislators had been informed of the total amount of dollars that we will need for our tests not withstanding what might happen to the pending legislation relative to the writing tests. Superintendent Dunn informed her that staff members Nicole Wills and Joshua Jacobs do a fine job keeping the legislators and Governor’s office staff apprised of what the State Board’s needs are. Ms. Holmes suggested that when the State’s budget is finally adopted, the Board may want to ensure that the dollars that the Board has suggested be allocated to those priorities that the Board has had a direct
involvement in recommending.

**Motion:**
Mr. Ed Geppert moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent and staff to develop an RFSP to solicit bids from private contractors and not-for-profit firms and institutions with corporate capacity to provide printing, delivery of scoring services of the IMAGE to provide that:

- The initial contract period will extend from July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007, with an option to renew it for an additional year (through June 30, 2008), contingent upon satisfactory performance in the previous contract periods and sufficient appropriation for the contract; and
- The contract amount will not exceed $4.5 million for the initial three-year contact period.

Dr. Dave Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

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<td>The Chairman announced that the <strong>Monthly Status Report on Rulemaking</strong> and the <strong>State Board of Education Fiscal and Administrate Monthly Reports</strong> are printed in the Board meeting materials each month and are for information purposes. There were no inquiries this month regarding these reports.</td>
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<td>The members listed below represented the Board at the following events around the state:</td>
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<td>• Mr. Edward Geppert spoke on April 27 at the Labor Management Conference regarding NCLB.</td>
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<td>• Ms. Joyce Karon attended the IASBO Conference breakfast, met with curriculum directors regarding NCLB, and also visited the Westchester Schools.</td>
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<td>• Dr. Chris Ward presented the Governor’s Medallion at a Board of Higher Education sponsored art contest.</td>
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<td>• Dr. Andrea Brown attended an ISBE Lincoln Leadership meeting on May 11, a Math/Science Exhibit at the Capitol, and met with Ms. Carolyn Brown Hodge in the Lieutenant Governor’s office regarding rural initiatives.</td>
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<td>• Ms. Brenda Holmes, Dr. Fields and Chairman Ruiz attended the annual IASA Conference.</td>
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Dr. Fields reported that he and Mr. Dean Clark had met with the Special Education Department staff and noted that it had been a worthwhile and informative session.

General Counsel Jon Furr recognized the time-intensive work that had been done on the AYP Appeals by his staff attorneys Irma Martinez Snopek and Renee Vilatte, and also staff member Gail Lieberman.

Chairman Ruiz thanked staff members and meeting participants for their attendance and support at yesterday and today’s meetings.

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<td>Dean Clark moved that the State Board of Education meeting be adjourned. Dr. Ward seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.</td>
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An audio compact disc of the meeting is available by contacting the ISBE Board Services Division at 217/557-6626.
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Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Vinni Hall             Mr. Jesse Ruiz  
Board Secretary             Chairman