AGENDA (timeframes are estimated for planning purposes)

I. Roll Call

II. Board Member Participation by Other Means

III. Public Participation (15 minutes maximum) 12:30 – 12:45 p.m.

IV. Minutes of the March Education Policy Planning Committee of the Whole Meeting (pp. 2-3)

V. Recognition of Internet Safety Contest Winners (Marica Cullen, Monique Chism) (pp. 4-11) 12:45 – 1:00 p.m.

VI. *Teacher Certification Board Recommendations (Linda Tomlinson, Patrick Murphy) (pp. 12-14) 1:00 – 1:05 p.m.

VII. *Calumet Park #132 Agreement with ISBE (Darren Reisberg) (will begin on p. 15) 1:05 – 1:35 p.m.

VIII. Strategic Agenda Update – verbal update (Superintendent Koch) 1:35 – 1:50 p.m.

IX. Committee Agenda Planning/Additional Items

X. Adjourn

* Items listed with an asterisk (*) will be discussed in committee and action may be taken in the plenary session.
EDUCATION POLICY PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
Thursday, March 25, 2010
8:45 a.m.
Springfield, Illinois

Members Present
David Fields, Chair
Jim Baumann
Andrea Brown
Chris Ward
Steve Gilford
Vinni Hall
Lanita Koster
Melinda LaBarre
Jesse Ruiz

Members Absent
Superintendent Koch
Connie Wise
Susie Morrison
Darren Reisberg
Matt Vanover
Linda Tomlinson
Beth Hanselman
Don Evans
Linda Mitchell

The Education Policy Planning Committee meeting convened at 8:48 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL/BOARD MEMBER PARTICIPATION BY OTHER MEANS: Dr. David Fields requested roll call. There was no board member participation by any other means. See above.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There was no public participation. Regional Superintendent of Monroe/Randolph Counties Marc Kiehna and Regional Superintendent of Clinton/Marion/Washington Counties Keri Garrett were in attendance as guests.

3. MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 2010 EPPC MEETING: Lanita Koster moved to approve the minutes of the January 2010 EPPC meeting and Vinni Hall seconded the motion. The Committee minutes were unanimously approved.

4. TEACHER CERTIFICATION BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS (Linda Tomlinson, Patrick Murphy): This item came before the Board to consider the State Teacher Certification Board’s recommendation for approval of McKendree University’s physical education program recommended by the respective specialized professional associations and the approval of a new program from University of Chicago. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Fields indicated that this recommendation would move to the plenary session for Board action.

5. STRATEGIC AGENDA UPDATE (Verbal Update) (Superintendent Koch): Dr. Koch stated that this agenda item was formerly entitled Update on Race to the Top (RTTT) and ARRA, but because it entails many aspects of the Board’s Strategic Plan, we have decided to change the agenda item. Illinois sent a team of five to Washington, D.C. last week for the RTTT presentation including a rigorous review before the panel. Secretary Duncan indicated there were going to be very few awards.

Secretary Duncan was very clear about the definition of “career-ready”, stating that no students will be taking remedial courses.

In response to a question raised during the Board Operations Committee meeting, Susie Morrison indicated that she was able to follow up with CCSSO to confirm that common core standards implementation will occur after the May Board meeting, so there is no need to move the date of the May meeting.

The team pressed Secretary Duncan on the issue of transition. Potentially, as early as August, internationally benchmarked common standards will be available in the states and there will be no assessments aligned to those standards. Dr. Koch added that there were 6 assessment consortia at the time we applied for the grant; there are now two, and we are trying to consolidate those two into one consortia as they are not that far apart. Connie Wise and Joyce Zurkowski will be re-engaging the State Testing Review Committee for the purpose issue transition. The issue is not necessarily
alignment, but to review the cut score for ISAT and whether it needs to be raised. The other answer to this transition is a growth model. We made it clear to United States Department of Education that we are going to need assistance during this time of transition and Secretary Duncan was very forthright that it will be provided. Dr. Koch also stated that we should expect movement this year in ESEA Reauthorization.

6. COMMITTEE AGENDA PLANNING/ADDITIONAL ITEMS: Andrea Brown requested a follow-up on STEM and a review of the last four years of the System of Support, discuss differentiated instruction, and school improvement grants and various strategies. It was noted that the impact of poverty is known, but the models do not seem to take into consideration out-of-school factors.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Jesse Ruiz moved to adjourn the EPPC meeting and Lanita Koster seconded the motion. The EPPC meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.
TO: Illinois State Board of Education

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent of Education
Susan C. Morrison, Deputy Superintendent and Chief of Staff
Connie Wise, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent, Standards and Assessment

Agenda Topic: Internet Safety Contest Winners

Materials: None

Staff Contact(s): Marica Cullen and James Walsh, Curriculum & Instruction
Monique Chism and Marci Johnson, Innovation & Improvement

Purpose of Agenda Item
The Board will congratulate the winning participants from the first statewide internet safety contest and will view the overall winning video from Geneva High School.

The winners of each category have been invited to attend the Education Policy Planning Committee Meeting of the Whole, where they will receive an advance copy of a Board resolution recognizing their efforts. Immediately following this appearance, the winners will celebrate their achievement at a reception hosted at the Governor’s Mansion. A Certificate of Appreciation will be mailed to each participant in this year’s contest.

Relationship to Implications for the State Board’s Strategic Plan
This agenda item supports Goal 3 "Every school will offer a safe and healthy learning environment for all students."

Background
Effective January 1, 2009, ILCS 105/5-27-13.5 encourages school districts to provide education about Internet threats and risks, including without limitation child predators, fraud, and other dangers and requires the State Board of Education to make available resource materials for educating children regarding child online safety. This material is available at www.isbe.net/curriculum.

In November, 2009, the State Superintendent, the Attorney General, and the Governor joined together to create the first statewide internet safety contest in Illinois. The purpose of the contest is to raise awareness about how to protect children who use the internet and prevent the overall misuse of technology throughout the State. This theme for this year’s contest focused on cyberbullying.

The contest was divided into two categories: 1) video/podcast/slideshow and/or 2) poster; and was also broken down by four grade levels (grades 1-3, 4-6, 7-8 and 9-12). Forty-seven students were represented on thirty-two teams from across the state.

Next Steps
The Board will officially adopt the resolutions recognizing the winning students during plenary session.
Illinois State Board of Education
Resolution

Recognizing
Sophia Short
May 2010

Whereas, Sophia Short, a student from ILLINI CENTRAL GRADE SCHOOL, ILLINI CENTRAL CUSD 189 in Mason City, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 ILLINOIS YOUTH INTERNET SAFETY CONTEST for a poster, Grades 1-3. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Sophia created a poster that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Sophia’s artistic talent demonstrates skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond her years; and

Whereas, INSTRUCTOR MS. JULIE TOLAND, has aided and guided Sophia in her success as a student and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, MR. MARK CAGGIANO, PRINCIPAL AND MR. PATRICK MARTIN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, recognize the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students; now

Therefore be it Resolved by the ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION that Sophia Short is hereby recognized for the outstanding creativity, effectiveness and content in her project submitted to the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.
Illinois State Board of Education
Resolution

Alexis Williams, Isaiah Logan and Nathan Chiti
May 2010

Whereas, Alexis Williams, Isaiah Logan and Nathan Chiti, students from Lindsay Elementary School, Springfield Public School District 186 in Springfield, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest for Electronic Media, Grades 4-6. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Alexis, Isaiah and Nathan created a video that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Alexis, Isaiah, and Nathan’s artistic talents demonstrate skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond their years; and

Whereas, Instructor Ms. Jennifer Bartletti, has aided and guided Alexis, Isaiah, and Nathan in their successes as students and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, Ms. Wendy Boatman, Principal and Dr. Walter Milton, Jr., Superintendent of Schools, recognize the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students; now

Therefore be it Resolved by the Illinois State Board of Education that Alexis Williams, Isaiah Logan, and Nathan Chiti are hereby recognized for the outstanding creativity, effectiveness and content in their project submitted to the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.

Jesse H. Ruiz, Chairman
Christopher J. Ward, Vice Chairman
Vinni M. Hall, Secretary

James W. Baumann, Member
Andrea S. Brown, Member
David L. Fields, Member

Steven R. Gilford, Member
Lanita J. Koster, Member
Melinda A. LaBarre, Member

DRAFT
Illinois State Board of Education
Resolution

Recognizing
Reilly Stiver
May 2010

Whereas, Reilly Stiver, a student from LINCOLN MAGNET SCHOOL, SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT 186 in Springfield, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest for a poster, Grades 4-6. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Reilly created a poster that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Reilly’s artistic talent demonstrates skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond her years; and

Whereas, INSTRUCTOR MS. NIKKI BURGAR, has aided and guided Reilly in her success as a student and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, MS. NICHOLE HEYEN, PRINCIPAL AND DR. WALTER MILTON, JR., SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, recognize the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students; now

Therefore be it Resolved by the ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION that Reilly Stiver is hereby recognized for the outstanding creativity and effectiveness of content in her project submitted to the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.

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Jesse H. Ruiz, Chairman    Christopher J. Ward, Vice Chairman    Vinni M. Hall, Secretary

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James W. Baumann, Member    Andrea S. Brown, Member    David L. Fields, Member

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Steven R. Gilford, Member    Lanita J. Koster, Member    Melinda A. LaBarre, Member

DRAFT
Illinois State Board of Education
Resolution

Recognizing
Katlyn Gerdes, Dani Zerfas and Sarah Sepanski
May 2010

Whereas, Katlyn Gerdes, Dani Zerfas and Sarah Sepanski, students from Franklin Middle School, Springfield Public School District 186 in Springfield, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest for Electronic Media, Grades 7-8. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Katlyn, Dani and Sarah created a video that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Katlyn, Dani and Sarah’s artistic talents demonstrate skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond their years; and

Whereas, Instructor Ms. Amy Mariotti, has aided and guided Katlyn, Dani and Sarah in their successes as students and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, Ms. Kristine Huddleston, Principal and Dr. Walter Milton, Jr., Superintendent of Schools, recognize the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students; now

Therefore be it Resolved by the Illinois State Board of Education that Katlyn Gerdes, Dani Zerfas and Sarah Sepanski are hereby recognized for the outstanding design concept recognized for the outstanding creativity and effectiveness of content in their project submitted to the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.

Jesse H. Ruiz, Chairman
Christopher J. Ward, Vice Chairman
Vinni M. Hall, Secretary
James W. Baumann, Member
Andrea S. Brown, Member
David L. Fields, Member
Steven R. Gilford, Member
Lanita J. Koster, Member
Melinda A. LaBarre, Member
Illinois State Board of Education  
Resolution

Recognizing  
Jacob Schisler  
May 2010

Whereas, Jacob Schisler, a student from ASTORIA CUSD 1, in Astoria, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest for a poster, Grades 7-8. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Jacob created a poster that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Jacob’s artistic talent demonstrates skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond his years; and

Whereas, INSTRUCTOR MR. DAN MORHARDT, has aided and guided Jacob in his success as a student and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, MR. DAVID CROUSE, PRINCIPAL and MR. CHESTER LIEN, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, recognize the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students; now

Therefore be it Resolved by the ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION that Jacob Schisler is hereby recognized for the outstanding creativity and effectiveness of content in his project submitted to the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.

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Jesse H. Ruiz, Chairman                Christopher J. Ward, Vice Chairman           Vinni M. Hall, Secretary

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James W. Baumann, Member                Andrea S. Brown, Member                        David L. Fields, Member

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Steven R. Gilford, Member                Lanita J. Koster, Member                        Melinda A. LaBarre, Member
Recognizing

Kit Willadsen, Stuart Stoffregen, Anton Malovany and Conor Westrate

May 2010

Whereas, Kit Willadsen, Stuart Stoffregen, Anton Malovany and Conor Westrate, students from GENEVA HIGH SCHOOL, GENEVA CUSD 304 in Geneva, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest for Electronic Media, Grades 9-12. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Kit, Stuart, Anton and Conor created a video that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Kit, Stuart, Anton and Conor’s artistic talents demonstrate artistic skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond their years; and

Whereas, INSTRUCTOR MS. CHERYL KLEIN, has aided and guided Kit, Stuart, Anton and Conor in their successes as students and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, MR. THOMAS ROGERS, PRINCIPAL AND DR. KENT MUTCHEL, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, recognize the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students; now

Therefore be it Resolved by the ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION that Kit Willadsen, Stuart Stoffregen, Anton Malovany and Conor Westrate are hereby recognized for the outstanding creativity and effectiveness of content in their project submitted to the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.
Illinois State Board of Education
Resolution

Recognizing
Samantha Miranda and Christina McGrath
May 2010

Whereas, Samantha Miranda and Christina McGrath, students from QUEEN OF PEACE HIGH SCHOOL, ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO in Burbank, Illinois, received first place in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest for a poster, Grades 9-12. The 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest is sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Illinois Attorney General’s Office and the Governor’s Office; and

Whereas, Samantha and Christina created a poster that exemplifies a remarkable interpretation of the contest’s theme, Cyberbullying. Samantha and Christina’s artistic talents demonstrate artistic skill, creativity and understanding of the importance of Internet safety beyond their years; and

Whereas, INSTRUCTOR MS. KATHRYN ZIEMBA, has aided and guided Samantha and Christina in their successes as students and in the appropriate use of the Internet; and

Whereas, MS. BARBARA SMITH, PRINCIPAL, recognizes the value of Internet safety and the prevention of Cyberbullying for all students.

Therefore be it Resolved by the ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION that Samantha Miranda and Christina McGrath are hereby recognized for the outstanding design concept recognized for the outstanding creativity and effectiveness of content to their project submitted in the 2010 Illinois Youth Internet Safety Contest.

Jesse H. Ruiz, Chairman
Christopher J. Ward, Vice Chairman
Vinni M. Hall, Secretary

James W. Baumann, Member
Andrea S. Brown, Member
David L. Fields, Member

Steven R. Gilford, Member
Lanita J. Koster, Member
Melinda A. LaBarre, Member
ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 20 - 21, 2010

TO: Illinois State Board of Education

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent of Education
       Linda Tomlinson, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent

Agenda Topic: Action Item: Program Approvals

Materials: State Teacher Certification Unit Accreditations and Program Approvals
           • Judson University’s Early Childhood Special Education program
           • Rockford College’s Early Childhood program,
           • Bradley University’s blended Early Childhood/Elementary program
           • Lewis University’s Early Childhood Special Education program

Staff Contact: Patrick Murphy
              Phyliss Jones
              Diane Lacopo
              Dennis Williams

Purpose of Agenda Item
The purpose of this agenda item is to consider the State Teacher Certification Board’s (STCB) recommendation for approval of Judson University’s Early Childhood Special Education program, Rockford College’s Early Childhood program, Bradley University’s blended early Childhood/Elementary program, and Lewis University’s Early Childhood Special Education program.

Expected Outcome(s) of Agenda Item
The State Board will vote to accept the recommendation of the STCB for approval of the four new programs [Section 25.145 (d) (1)] authorizing the institutions to conduct the programs and recommend candidates for certification by entitlement.

Backgrounds
Judson University
Judson University is an established Illinois teacher preparation institution that offers undergraduate programs in early childhood education, elementary education, and secondary education. The new program proposal for Early Childhood Special Education was presented in the format requested by the State Teacher Certification Board and provides an overview of the knowledge base and how the outcomes relate to the conceptual framework; a description of the course of study, including the field experiences and clinical practice components; assurances that the current Illinois standards for special education will be met; a description of the program assessment system; the program faculty and their expertise in this field; and the resources that will be available to support the program and candidates in the program. The State Teacher Certification Board recommends to the State Board the approval of this program [Section 25.145 (d) (1)].

Rockford College
Rockford College is an established Illinois-approved teacher preparation institution that offers undergraduate and graduate programs in elementary education, secondary education, and reading specialist. The new program proposal for the Early Childhood was presented in the format requested by the State Teacher Certification Board and provides an overview of the
knowledge base and how the outcomes relate to the conceptual framework; a description of the course of study, including the field experiences and clinical practice components; assurances that the current Illinois standards will be met; a description of the program assessment system; the program faculty and their expertise in this field; and the resources that will be available to support the program and candidates in the program. The State Teacher Certification Board recommends to the State Board the approval of this program [Section 25.145 (d) (1)].

Bradley University
Bradley University is an established Illinois-approved teacher preparation institution that offers undergraduate programs in early childhood, elementary education, secondary education, and LBS I, and graduate programs in School Counseling and General Administrative - Principal. The new program proposal for the blended Early Childhood/Elementary program was presented in the format requested by the State Teacher Certification Board and provides an overview of the knowledge base and how the outcomes relate to the conceptual framework; a description of the course of study, including the field experiences and clinical practice components; assurances that the current Illinois standards will be met; a description of the program assessment system; the program faculty and their expertise in this field; and the resources that will be available to support the program and candidates in the program. The State Teacher Certification Board recommends to the State Board the approval of this program [Section 25.145 (d) (1)].

Lewis University
Lewis University is an established Illinois-approved teacher preparation institution that offers undergraduate and graduate programs in elementary education, secondary education, and LBS I, and graduate programs in Reading Specialist, School Counseling, General Administrative – Principal, and Superintendent. The new program proposal for the Early Childhood Special Education program was presented in the format requested by the State Teacher Certification Board and provides an overview of the knowledge base and how the outcomes relate to the conceptual framework; a description of the course of study, including the field experiences and clinical practice components; assurances that the current Illinois standards will be met; a description of the program assessment system; the program faculty and their expertise in this field; and the resources that will be available to support the program and candidates in the program. The State Teacher Certification Board recommends to the State Board the approval of this program [Section 25.145 (d) (1)].

Relationship to/Implications for the State Board’s Strategic Plan
The approval of the professional preparation programs has linkage to Goal 2: To ensure that every student will be supported by highly prepared and effective teachers and school leaders, policies and processes have been implemented that support preparation programs with a focus on instruction and student learning. These standards-based programs will prepare educators with expertise in discipline-specific content areas and ensure that teachers and administrators demonstrate best practices to help all students learn.

Implications for Policy, Budget, Legislative Action and Communications
Policy: See above
Budget: None
Legislation Action: None
Communication: Please see “Next Steps” below.
Pros and Cons of Various Actions
Approval of the programs will authorize the universities to entitle graduates for the programs as listed.

Superintendent's Recommendations
I recommend that the following motions be adopted:

Motion 1
In accordance with Section 25.145 (d) (1) of the State Board's administrative rules on review of new programs, the State Board of Education provisionally approves Judson University's Early Childhood Special Education program, Type 04, thereby authorizing the university to conduct the program and to recommend candidates for certification by entitlement until the time of the institution's next accreditation review.

Motion 2
In accordance with Section 25.145 (d) (1) of the State Board's administrative rules on review of new programs, the State Board of Education provisionally approves Rockford College's Early Childhood program, Type 04, thereby authorizing the university to conduct the program and to recommend candidates for certification by entitlement until the time of the institution's next accreditation review.

Motion 3
In accordance with Section 25.145 (d) (1) of the State Board's administrative rules on review of new programs, the State Board of Education provisionally approves Bradley University's Early Childhood/Elementary program, Type 04 and Type 03, thereby authorizing the university to conduct the program and to recommend candidates for certification by entitlement until the time of the institution's next accreditation review.

Motion 4
In accordance with Section 25.145 (d) (1) of the State Board's administrative rules on review of new programs, the State Board of Education provisionally approves Lewis University's Early Childhood Special Education program, Type 04, thereby authorizing the university to conduct the program and to recommend candidates for certification by entitlement until the time of the institution's next accreditation review.

Next Steps
Judson University, Rockford College, Bradley University, and Lewis University will be notified regarding the State Board's decision. The State Teacher Certification Board will also be notified, and the State Board's Directory of Approved Institutions and Programs will be updated to reflect the accreditation status.
Calumet Park #132 Agreement with ISBE