ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education Meeting
via video conference

August 15, 2013

Chicago Location: ISBE Video Conference Room, 14th Floor, 100 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois

Springfield Location: ISBE Video Conference Room, 3rd Floor 100 N. First Street, Springfield, IL

This meeting will also be audio cast on the Internet at: www.isbe.net

10:00 a.m.

I. Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance
   A. Consideration of and Possible Actions on Any Requests for Participation in Meeting by Other Means

II. Presentations/Showcases
   A. Race to the Top Year-One Report
   B. Center for School Improvement Updates
   C. EverFi Education Technology Company

III. Public Participation (20 minutes allotted)

IV. Closed Session

V. *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.
   A. *Approval of Minutes:
      2. Plenary Minutes as Corrected: February 20, 2013
      3. Plenary Minutes as Corrected: March 20, 2013
      4. Plenary Minutes: June 19, 2013
   B. *Rules for Initial Review
   C. *Rules for Adoption
      1. Part 20 (Standards for Endorsements in Elementary Education)
      2. Part 21 (Standards for Endorsements in the Middle Grades)
      3. Part 25 (Educator Licensure)
      4. Part 26 (Standards for Certification in Early Childhood Education and in Elementary Education)
      5. Part 27 (Standards for Certification in Specific Teaching Fields)
      6. Part 65 (New Teacher Induction and Mentoring)
      7. Part 75 (Agricultural Education Programs)
      8. Part 140 (Calculation of Excess Cost under Section18-3 of the School Code)
      9. Part 210 (Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways through Education Program)
      10. Part 226 (Special Education) [school nurse and medical reviews]
      11. Part 228 (Transitional Bilingual Education)
   D. *Contracts and Grants Over $1 Million
      1. IHE Partnership
2. Illinois Response to Intervention Network
3. Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights, Parent Mentor Program for Early Childhood Learning
4. PERA Prequalification Training Award of RFSP
5. Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin SALSA contract, IGA
6. Illinois Migrant Council

E. *FY 12 Compliance Audit
F. *Statewide Single Audit
G. *NASBE Dues for 2014

End of Consent Agenda

H. Appointment of State Educator Preparation Licensure Board Members
I. Qualified Zone Academy Bond Authorization(s)

VI. Discussion Items

A. District Oversight – Monthly Update (Superintendent Koch)
B. Other Items for Discussion

VII. Announcements

A. IBHE Liaison Report (Dr. Proshanta Nandi)
B. Superintendent's/Senior Staff Announcements
C. Chairman's Report
D. Member Reports

VIII. Information Items

A. ISBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports (available online at http://isbe.net/board/fiscal_admin_rep.htm)

IX. Adjourn

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NOTE: Chairman Chico may call for a break in the meeting as necessary in order for the Board to go into closed session
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ROLL CALL

Mr. Gery Chico, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Dr. Christopher Koch, State Superintendent of Education, was in attendance in Springfield. A quorum was present.

Members Present in Springfield
Dr. Andrea Brown  
Dr. David Fields  

Members Present in Chicago
Mr. Gery Chico, Chairman  
Mr. Steven Gilford, Vice Chairman  
(joined meeting at 10:10 a.m.)

Members Present by Phone
Dr. Vinni Hall  
Mr. James Baumann  
Ms. Melinda LaBarre

Members Absent
Mr. Curt Bradshaw

PRESENTATIONS/SHOWCASES

Race to the Top Illinois Report Year 1: 2012
Peter Godard, Chief Performance Officer shared with the Board the “Race to the Top Illinois Report Year 1: 2012” (Year 1 Report), issued by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE). Mr. Godard noted that information contained in the report is gathered by the USDE during the review process (e.g. through monthly calls, onsite reviews and Annual Performance Reports to draft state-specific summary reports). The Year 1 Report highlights successes and accomplishments, identifies challenges, and provides lessons learned from implementation from approximately December 2011 through December 2012. (A copy of the report is available by contacting Board Services.)

Center for School Improvement Updates
Susie Morrison, Chief Education Officer along with Gina Burkhartd and Jessica Johnson from American Institutes for Research (AIR) and Dick Spohr, Interim Director of the Illinois Center for School Improvement discussed their partnership to build the Illinois Center for School Improvement (Illinois CSI).

Jessica Johnson explained the purpose of the Illinois CSI is to provide high-quality, coordinated, and consistent leadership for the Statewide System of Support in partnership with Regional Offices of Educations and Illinois Service Centers to ensure that Illinois school districts and schools receive expert, timely, and relevant assistance to increase district level capacity to improve student performance.

Ms. Johnson presented that Board with a PowerPoint that explained the Illinois CSI’s structure, accomplishments, district support, priorities, etc. Ms. Johnson commented that they plan to launch the center in September 2013.

EverFi Education Technology Company
Sean Fitzgerald, Executive Vice President of EverFi a program created to improve the financial literacy of our nation’s youth shared with the Board the highlights of EverFi’s statewide data. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that EverFi Financial Literacy program is provided at no cost to school, districts, or taxpayers. He thanked the Board for playing an important part in a significant national movement to make a new generation of Americans who feel in control of their future.
Chicago Public Participation

The following people provided testimony on Part 25 (Education Licensure):

- Linda Wegner
- Dominic Belmonte, President and CEO of the Golden Apple Foundation
- Katelyn Johnson, Action Now, Grow Your Own Teachers

The following people provided testimony in support of the proposed rule change for Part 226 (Special Education) school nurse and medical reviews:

- Linda Kimel, Illinois Association of School Nurse
- Marianne Wesoloski, Illinois Association of School Nurses (accompanied Ms. Kimel)

Springfield Public Participation

Lynn Rochkes, Illinois Association of School Nurse Association (accompanied Ms. Kimel who testified in the Chicago Office)

Daryl Morrison from the Illinois Education Association and Cynthia Riseman of Illinois Federation of Teachers communicated that both organizations support the school nurses and the current proposed rule changes to Part 226.

Chairman Chico recognized Jane Quinlan, Superintendent of Regional Office of Education #9 Champaign–Ford Counties.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Gilford 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 2 c 29 for the purpose of discussion of meetings between internal or external auditors and governmental audit committees, finance committees, and their equivalents, when the discussion involves internal control weaknesses, identification of potential fraud risk areas, known or suspected frauds, and fraud interviews conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States of America.

I further move that the Board may invite anyone they wish to have included in this closed session. Dr. Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

The Board entered into closed session at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened from closed session at 12:25 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:

Dr. Brown moved that the State Board of Education hereby approve the consent agenda as presented. Dr. Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

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

Approval of Minutes

The State Board of Education hereby approves the June 19, 2013 Plenary Board Minutes as presented and the following Plenary Board Minutes as corrected: January 23-24, 2013, February 20, 2013 and March 20, 2013.
Rules for Adoption

New Part 20 (Standards for Endorsements in Elementary Education)

New Part 21 (Standards for Endorsements in the Middle Grades)

Part 25 (Educator Licensure)

Part 26 (Standards for Certification in Early Childhood Education and in Elementary Education)

Part 27 (Standards for Certification in Specific Teaching Fields)

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

Standards for Endorsements in Elementary Education
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 20)

Standards for Endorsements in the Middle Grades
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 21)

Educator Licensure
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 25)

Standards for Certification in Early Childhood Education and in Elementary Education
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 26)

Standards for Certification in Specific Teaching Fields
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 27)

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

The incorporation into the Illinois Learning Standards of the Common Core State Standards for English language arts and mathematics necessitate changes in the standards for teachers of elementary education and implementation of standards specific to the teachers in the middle grades. Proposed new Parts 20 and 21 will address standards for these grade levels that focus on the literacy and mathematics skills that teachers must possess before entering the classroom. Full implementation of the proposed new standards for elementary education and middle grades will occur by February 1, 2017, for elementary, and by February 1, 2018, for middle grades.

Two optional endorsements also are being proposed for gifted education teacher and gifted education specialist, and those standards will be placed in Part 27 as new Sections 27.490 and 27.495, respectively. These standards will take effect immediately. Companion changes are being proposed in Parts 25, 26 and 27 to recognize the availability of the new endorsements in elementary education, middle grades and gifted, as well as to update terminology used regarding certification so that it reflects the new licensure system that will take effect on July 1, 2013.

Several changes were made in the proposals as a result of the 134 letters of public comment received, specifically to delay the date by which programs must stop admitting students to existing elementary programs and for candidates to obtain endorsements based on existing requirements.
Part 65 (New Teacher Induction and Mentoring)

Part 75 (Agricultural Education Program)

Part 140 (Calculation of Excess Cost under Section 18-3 of the School Code)

Part 210
(Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways through Education Program)

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

New Teacher Induction and Mentoring
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 65),

Agricultural Education Programs
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 75),

Calculation of Excess Costs under Section 18-3 of the School Code (23 Illinois Administrative Code 140), and

Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways through Education Program (23 Illinois Administrative Code 210),

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

Proposed amendments to Parts 65, 75, 140 and 210 make technical changes to align terminology in the rules to the new licensure system to take effect July 1, 2013. No public comment was received on these rulemakings, and the rules adopted were identical to those originally proposed.

Part 226 (Special Education)

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

Special Education
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 226),

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

The proposed amendments delay until July 1, 2015, as originally proposed, the implementation of new requirements specific to the qualifications of personnel who may conduct medical reviews, and provides opportunities other than certification (i.e., training, testing) for staff hired before July 1, 2015, to become qualified to conduct all components of the medical review. Additionally, the term “medical review” is being defined in new Section 226.160(a). The agency received 660 letters of public comment and as a result, delayed by one year (until July 1, 2016) the date upon which individuals must meet new requirements and those currently employed to receive training to become qualified to conduct all components of the medical review.
Part 228 (Transitional Bilingual Education)

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

Transitional Bilingual Education
(23 Illinois Administrative Code 228).

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

Proposed amendments to Part 228 provide for options other than English proficiency for placing English learners into part-time transitional bilingual education programs. Two letters of public comment were received, resulting in minor changes to the rules, as originally proposed.

Contracts and Grants Over $1 Million

Grants Exceeding $1 Million:
Illinois Institutes of Higher (IHE) Education Partnership
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a continuation grant agreement in FFY 2014 and FFY 2015 with SIUE in an amount up to $300,000 per year, which will result in the multi-year total exceeding $1 million. Renewal in FFY 2015 will be subject to sufficient appropriation of funds and satisfactory performance in the preceding grant period.

Grants Exceeding $1 Million:
Illinois Response To Intervention Network
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a continuation grant agreement in FFY 2014 with Lee/Ogle ROE 47 in an amount up to $2.4 million, with renewal in FFY 2015 subject to sufficient appropriation of funds and satisfactory performance in the preceding grant period.

Grants Exceeding $1 Million:
Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights,
Parent Mentoring Program for Early Childhood Learning
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to award a grant to the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights for an initial period beginning September 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, with permission given to the State Superintendent to extend expenditure availability of the grant for a period not to exceed 2 years if needed to complete grant activities as provided in Section 5 of the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act [30 ILCS 705/5], an initial award of $250,000, with up to an additional $750,000 to be awarded contingent on successful completion of FY13 grant requirements and satisfactory demonstration of program effectiveness on the FY13 evaluation. The total award will not exceed $1,000,000.

Approval of Contract:
Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA) Prequalification Training
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a contract with Consortium for Educational Change (CEC), which was the successful bidder under the RFSP for maintenance of the Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA) Prequalification Training in Illinois. There will be no cost to the state and the initial term will be from September 2, 2013 (or upon execution, whichever is later) through June 30, 2014. There will be four possible one-year renewals contingent upon the satisfactory performance of the contractor in the preceding contract year.
Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement:
Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to extend the intergovernmental agreement with the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin (Wisconsin Center for Education Research) through August 31, 2014 without any increase in the funding amount of $1,918,845.

Contract Exceeding $1 Million:
Illinois Migrant Council
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a contract with the Illinois Migrant Council which was the successful bidder under the RFSP for Migrant Support Services. The cost of the initial term of the contract is $590,000 from September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014. This contract will have 4 optional 1-year renewals.

FY 2012 COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT

STATEWIDE SINGLE AUDIT
The State Board of Education hereby accepts the Office of the Auditor General’s State of Illinois Single Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2012 as it relates to ISBE.

NASBE DUES FOR 2014
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to renew National Association of State Boards of Education membership for 2014 for the amount of $47,519.00 as well as $2,500.00 for the middle-range professional development account for use by Illinois members.

END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

APPOINTMENT OF STATE EDUCATOR PREPARATION LICENSURE BOARD MEMBERS
Dr. Fields moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the following recommended appointments to the Illinois State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board: Angie Zarvell to represent the Illinois Association of Regional School Superintendents (IARSS) and Addie Washington, Annice Brave, and Kathryn McDonough to represent the Illinois Education Association (IEA). Ms. LaBarre seconded the motion and it passed with the previous voice vote.

QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BOND AUTHORIZATIONS
Dr. Hall moved that the Illinois State Board of Education approve the applications submitted by the districts listed below for designation of $4,702,428 in bonds from the calendar year 2012 allocation and $8,567,400 in bonds from the calendar year 2013 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. Fields seconded the motion and it passed with the previous voice vote.
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**IBHE Liaison Report**
Chairman Chico introduced Dr. Phoshanta Nandi from the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) who was present at the meeting. The Illinois Board of Higher Education met on August 6, 2013 at the University of Chicago, Booth School of Business, Charles M. Harper Center in Chicago. Dr. Nandi shared with the Board a written summary of the meeting highlights.

Superintendent Koch provided an update on East St. Louis and North Chicago. ISBE does not yet have the enrollment numbers for East St. Louis and North Chicago; we are hoping that the enrollments have not declined because it could mean a reduction in revenue for both of the districts. Dr. Koch noted that East St. Louis and North Chicago both have three community members serving on their Financial Oversight Panels and this continues to be helpful. Dr. Koch commented that it has required great skill by the local superintendents and oversight bodies as efforts are made to balance budgets without compromising instruction.

Robert Wolfe reported that a final budget for both East St. Louis and North Chicago should be ready before September 30, 2013; after we receive their enrollment numbers.

Superintendent Koch informed the Board members that we need to seek a supplemental in the budget for the writing assessment, the consolidation reimbursement and Regional Safe Schools Truant Alternatives. With the Board’s permission he would like to pursue these budget supplementals. Mr. Wolfe stated that we may need to ask for additional money for Special Education after we finish our final calculations to maintain effort.

Dr. Koch said he has spoken with Senator Manar and the first Senate Education Funding Advisory Committee meeting will be held on August 19, 2013. They discussed having the ISBE budget hearings in tandem with legislative hearing. Senator Manar is very interested in seeing this happen if the Board is open to doing so. The first committee meeting we will have a presentation on General State Aid.
Dr. Koch noted that we will be bringing his recommendation for class size and composition (70/30) at the board retreat in September.

Regional Superintendents came up with a Regional Office of Education map but the Regional Boards did not all approve the map. 35 regional offices are required by law. The law is contingent that the Regional Boards approve it, so ISBE will have to make a determination. The statute forbids us from making a determination before January 1, 2014. Nicki Bazer has contacted the Board of Elections and they are adamant to follow the law as written. Ms. Bazer will be writing a letter to all members of the General Assembly to make sure they are clear on our intention, because members of the General Assembly have been contacting us asking us to rule on the map.

Superintendent Koch acknowledged Melissa Oller for ten years of service to the agency.

Ms. LaBarre reported that on August 14, 2013 she attended Generations Serving Generations Intergenerational Conference in Chicago. She also attended a scholarship presentation for sons and daughters of Marines who were living, deceased or currently serving. Thirteen students received scholarships from the Midwest region.

Chairman Chico commented that a recent technology survey indicated that only about 25% of the districts are ready for any rigorous online programs. Because of the findings from this survey Chairman Chico and Superintendent Koch will be writing the General Assembly and asking for technology funding from Capital funding that is unallocated.

Dr. Hall moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dr. Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Vinni Hall
Board Secretary

Mr. Gery J. Chico
Chairman