August 20, 2014
9:00 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. Public Participation

III. IBHE Liaison Report (Dr. Nandi)

IV. Resolutions & Recognition
   A. We Act and We Day Resolution
   B. Doris Edwards, 73 Years in Education, Beardstown Community Unit School District 15

V. Presentations and Updates

VI. Superintendent’s Report - Consent Agenda
   A. *Approval of Minutes
      1. Plenary Minutes: June 18, 2014
   B. *Rules for Initial Review
      1. Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision): Responds to P.A. 98-506, effective August 27, 2013, which establishes the criteria for the receipt of the State Seal of Biliteracy, an optional designation that school districts may choose to award to students who demonstrate proficiency in both a foreign language and English.
      2. Part 375 (Student Records): A technical change to remind school districts to designate on a student’s academic transcript, which is part of the student’s permanent record, his or her receipt of the State Seal of Biliteracy or the State Commendation Toward Biliteracy.
      3. Part 26 (Standards for Endorsements in Early Childhood Education and in Elementary Education): Proposes new standards that articulate the knowledge and skills in several areas, including English language arts and mathematics, needed for receipt of the early childhood endorsement and to which educator preparation programs and content-area tests must align.
   C. *Rules for Adoption
      1. Part 50 (Evaluation of Certified Employees under Articles 24 and 34A of the School Code): Modifies the process to be used to identify the school districts whose performance ranks them in the lowest 20 percent of all districts statewide; districts in this group are to implement performance evaluation systems incorporating measures of student growth starting September 1, 2015. One letter of public comment was received; no recommendations for changes in the proposal are being made as a result.
2. Part 228 (Transitional Bilingual Education): Makes several changes, including incorporation of English development standards for English learners in preschool programs; establishing flexibility for school districts to choose the prescribed screening instrument for English learners who are in the second semester of grade 1 or in grades 2 through 12; requiring that transitional programs of instruction include instruction in English as a second language; and modifying the deadline for teachers in preschool bilingual education programs to meet the requirements needed to be fully qualified to provide home language or English as a second language instruction. Twenty-three letters of public comment were received, and several recommendations for changes in the proposed amendments are being made as a result.

D. *Contracts & Grants Over $1 Million
   1. Parent Mentor Grant
   2. Intergovernmental Agreement with University of Kansas Center for Research (KUCR) – Dynamic Learning Maps
   3. After School Matters Grant

*End of Consent Agenda*

E. NASBE Dues – Membership Renewal 2015
F. Election of Illinois Voting Delegate for NASBE Annual Conference & Business Meeting 2014
G. NES Gifted Education Content-Area Test: Recommended Cut Score
H. Appointment of State Educator Preparation Licensure Board Member

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

VIII. Announcements & Reports
   A. Superintendent’s/Senior Staff Announcements
   B. Chairman’s Report
   C. Member Reports

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

X. Closed Session (as needed)

XI. 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.
Illinois State Board of Education Meeting  
via video conference  
August 20, 2014

Chicago Location: ISBE Video Conference Room, 14th Floor  
100 W. Randolph, Chicago, IL  
Springfield Location: ISBE Video Conference, 3rd Floor  
100 N. First Street, Springfield, IL

ROLL CALL

Mr. Gery Chico, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.. Dr. Koch was in attendance and a quorum was present.

Members Present in Springfield
Dr. Andrea Brown  
Dr. David Fields  
Ms. Melinda LaBarre

Members Present in Chicago
Mr. Gery Chico, Chairman  
Mr. Steven Gilford, Vice Chairman  
Dr. Vinni Hall, Secretary  
Mr. Curt Bradshaw

Members Present by Phone
Mr. James Baumann

CHICAGO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sarah Mesick and Maria Flores from the Southwest Organizing Program (SWOP) gave an update from the past year regarding their Parent Mentor Program. Ms. Flores discussed how much the program has helped her and her children.

Erika Hunt from the Center for the Study of Education Policy at Illinois State University shared information on the new Illinois School Leadership Advisory Council (ISLAC). Hunt discussed the purpose and strategic action plan for the ISLAC as well as provided the meeting schedule.

Francie Schnipke Richards, Director of Free the Children in Illinois gave an update on We Act and We Day. She discussed the goals for students participating in We Act and We Day.

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public participation in Springfield.

IBHE LIAISON REPORT

Dr. Proshanta Nandi from the Illinois Board of Higher Education gave an update on the that Board’s last meeting, which included a discussion on the Illinois Learning Standards and the Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC).

RESOLUTIONS AND RECOGNITION

Mr. Bradshaw moved that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution honoring We Act and We Day proclaiming the 2014-2015 School Year as the Inaugural Year of We Act and We Day in Illinois. Ms. LaBarre seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Bradshaw moved that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution honoring Doris Edwards for her 73 Years in Education. Dr. Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.
CONSENT
AGENDA

Motion:
Mr. Gilford moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves 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 minutes for the June 18, 2014, board meeting.

Rules for Initial Review
New Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision) and Part 375 (Student Records)
P.A. 98-560, effective August 27, 2013, authorizes school districts to designate a State Seal of Biliteracy and include that designation on the academic transcript and diploma of any student who attains "a high level of proficiency, sufficient for meaningful use in college and a career (...) in one or more languages in addition to English". The program is voluntary. Proposed changes in Part 1 set forth the criteria to qualify for the State Seal of Biliteracy and establish a Commendation Toward Biliteracy for students who are unable to qualify for the State Seal of Biliteracy. A technical change is being proposed in Part 375 to remind districts of the need to place a designation of receipt of the State Seal of Biliteracy on the academic transcripts of qualifying students, which are retained in the each student’s permanent school student record. A school district also will be required to include the designation of State Commendation Toward Biliteracy on the student’s academic transcript.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemakings for: Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision (23 Illinois Administrative Code 1), and Student Records (Part 375), including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register.

Part 26 (Standards for Endorsements in Early Childhood Education and in Elementary Education)
The rulemaking incorporates the recommendations of the Early Childhood Advisory Group regarding updated standards for the early childhood education endorsement in the areas of English language arts, mathematics, physical and biological sciences, social sciences and assessment. Currently approved preparation programs offering the early childhood endorsement will need to align to the new standards no later than September 1, 2019. Additionally, institutions will not be allowed to admit candidates into programs not aligned to the new standards after February 1, 2017, and candidates enrolled in these programs must complete their studies and receive their early childhood endorsements by September 1, 2019.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for: Standards for Endorsements in Early Childhood Education and in Elementary Education (23 Illinois Administrative Code 26), including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register.

Rules for Adoption
Part 50 (Evaluation of Certified Employees under Articles 24 and 34A of the School Code)
This rulemaking proposes a change in the way in which school districts whose
student performance is ranked in the lowest 20 percent of all school districts statewide are identified. School districts in the lowest 20 percent are required under Section 24A-5 of the School Code to implement performance evaluation systems incorporating data and indicators of student growth by the start of the 2015-16 school year. Under the proposed rulemaking, the agency will average results from the 2011, 2012 and 2013 State assessments to make establish the ranking, rather than using results from the 2014 State assessments, as the current rule requires. One letter of public comment was received; no change was made in response to the comments received.

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for: Evaluation of Certified Employees under Articles 24A and 34 of the School Code (23 Illinois Administrative Code 50). Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical and non-substantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

**Part 228 (Transitional Bilingual Education)**

Proposed modifications in Part 228 affect various Sections of the rules to:

- Incorporate the WIDA English language development standards for prekindergarten (i.e., ages 2½ through 5½), and place references to them and the standards for kindergarten through grade 12 into Section 228.10;
- Allow flexibility for school districts to choose between WIDA's MODEL or W-APT as the prescribed screening instrument for English learners who are in the second semester of grade 1 or in grades 2 through 12;
- Clarify that transitional programs of instruction include instruction in English as a second language, as is required under Article 14C of the School Code; and
- Modify the deadline for preschool teachers of English learners to be fully qualified to provide home language or English as a second language instruction from July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016, while also requiring that school districts unable to meet the staffing requirements between now and July 1, 2016, submit to the agency an annual staffing plan that includes a description of how the needs of English learners will be met.

Twenty-three letters of public were received and the proposed amendments were modified in response to the comments received.

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 non-substantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

**Contracts & Grants over $1 Million**

**Parent Mentor Grant**

The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to award a grant to the Southwest Organizing Project for an initial period beginning September 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, 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]. The total award will not exceed $1,500,000.

**Intergovernmental Agreement with University of Kansas Center for Research (KUCR) – Dynamic Learning Maps**

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter
into an intergovernmental agreement with University of Kansas Center for Research (KUCR) for the term of upon execution through June 30, 2015, with six optional one-year renewals for the test development, assessment administration, psychometric services, scoring and results reporting for the DLM assessment. The estimated maximum cost of the contract is $9,550,648.

After School Matters Grant
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a new grant agreement with After School Matters in the amount of $2.5 million for providing after school programming for Chicago teens. This grant is effective upon execution to June 30, 2015.

END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

NASBE DUES FOR 2015
Dr. Brown moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to renew NASBE membership for 2015 for the amount of $42,519.00. Ms. LaBarre seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

ELECTION OF ILLINOIS VOTING DELEGATE FOR NASBE ANNUAL CONFERENCE & BUSINESS MEETING 2014
Dr. Fields moved that the State Board of Education hereby designates Dr. Vinni Hall as its voting delegate at the NASBE annual conference and business meeting to be held October 16-19, 2014. Mr. Bradshaw seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

NES GIFTED EDUCATION CONTENT-AREA TEST: RECOMMENDED CUT SCORE
Ms. LaBarre moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the national cut score of 220 for the NES Gifted Education content-area test. Dr. Brown seconded the motion and it passed after a vote of 5-1 with Mr. Bradshaw not voting and Dr. Hall voting no.

APPOINTMENT OF STATE EDUCATOR PREPARATION LICENSURE BOARD MEMBER
Dr. Hall moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the recommended appointment of Ron Fonck to the Illinois State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. Dr. Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS
Robert Wolfe gave an update of the Financial Oversight Panels in North Chicago and East Saint Louis. There have been two resignations from the Financial Oversight Panels (FOP's). Ms. Linda Matkowski resigned from the East Saint Louis FOP due to work commitments; she has been replaced by Ms. Mary Kane. Ms. Adrienne Riley resigned from the North Chicago FOP due to work commitments as well; she has been replaced by Ms. Cassandra Slade. Mr. Wolfe reported that Budget and Financial Management staff is currently reviewing five year financial forecasts for East Saint Louis and North Chicago. There will be further updates of the Financial Oversight Panels at the Board Retreat in September.

BUDGET UPDATE
Superintendent Koch provided a preview of the Board retreat agenda to be held in Utica, Illinois in September. Chairman Chico directed Board members to notify Matt Vanover of any additions or changes to that agenda.
Melinda LaBarre briefly discussed the Secretary of State’s Literacy Program in Illinois.

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

**MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**
Dr. Fields moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Gilford seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Vinni Hall  
Board Secretary

Mr. Gery J. Chico  
Chairman