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Wednesday, September 17, 2014
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. Legislative Agenda for 2014 Veto Session and 2015 Session pp. 4-6
III. Senate Bill 16 Update and Next Steps pp. 7-40
IV. East St. Louis and North Chicago Oversight Updates pp. 41-49

Lunch

V. Discussion of Board Goals pp. 50-52

VI. NASBE Self-Evaluation and Board Expectations and Responsibilities

VII. Closed Session

VIII. Recess Meeting

Thursday, September 18, 2014
8:30 a.m.

IX. Reconvene/Roll Call – OPEN SESSION

X. Implementation of Standards, Assessment and Accountability

XI. Retreat Debriefing
   A. Consideration of and Possible Actions on Any Requests for Participation in Meeting by Other Means

XII. Public Participation
   A. Southland College Prep Charter High School Graduation

XIII. Resolutions & Recognition

XIV. Presentations and Updates

XV. Superintendent’s Report – Consent Agenda
   A. *Approval of Minutes
      1. Plenary Minutes: August 20, 2014 pp. 53-57
   B. *Rules for Initial Review
      1. Part 425 (Voluntary Registration and Recognition of Nonpublic Schools): Places in rules the requirement for nonpublic schools to submit proof of non-profit status when registering with the State Board; clarifies that only nonpublic schools supported wholly or in part by public funds shall be required to have students recite the Pledge of Allegiance; amends requirements for school employees to show freedom from tuberculosis to conform to changes in the rules for tuberculosis control (Illinois Department of Public Health); and adds the requirement for recognized nonpublic schools to hold an annual meeting for review of their emergency and crisis response plans, to conform the rules to changes in the School Safety Drill Act [105 ILCS 128]. pp. 58-67
C. *Rules for Adoption*

1. Part 25 (Education Licensure): Addresses the transition from the current certificate renewal system to the new license renewal system, which took effect July 1, 2014, including a process to award credit for CPDUs completed before June 30, 2014, and other certain activities before August 31, 2014. Two hundred and thirty-four individuals and organizations submitted public comment, and numerous changes in the proposed rulemaking are being recommended in response to the issues raised. pp. 68-211

2. Part 51 (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers under Article 24 of the School Code and Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Principals under Article 34 of the School Code): Places in Part 51 the process to approve entities to conduct training specific to performance evaluations for school board members who wish to use an optional alternative evaluative dismissal process to dismiss a tenured teacher. One letter of public comment was received and changes in the proposed rulemaking are recommended in response to the issues raised. pp. 212-221

3. Part 650 (Charter Schools): Lists requirements for biennial reporting by charter school authorizers; sets forth the process for monitoring authorizers and withdrawing their power to authorize in certain circumstances; establishes standards for high-quality charter school authorizing; and states the forms that must be provided when a school board submits reports of approved applications, revisions or renewals to the State Board. Two entities submitted public comment, and numerous changes in the proposed rulemaking are being recommended in response to the issues raised. pp. 222-267

*End of Consent Agenda*

D. Contracts & Grants Over $1 Million

1. Preschool Expansion Grant pp. 268-1—268-8

E. Fall 2014 Waiver Report pp. 269-1—269-19

F. Qualified Zone Academy Bond Authorization(s) pp. 270-273

G. Appointment of State Charter School Commission Member pp. 274-275

H. Appointment of State Educator Professional Licensure Board Member pp. 276-277

I. Approval of Closed Session Minutes

XVI. Discussion Items

A. Items for Discussion

XVII. Announcements & Reports

A. Superintendent’s/Senior Staff Announcements

B. Chairman’s Report

C. Member Reports

XVIII. Information Items

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

XIX. 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.
Chairman Chico called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., followed by roll call and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Members Present**
- Gery Chico, Chairman
- Steven Gilford, Vice Chairman
- Vinni Hall, Secretary
- Curt Bradshaw
- Andrea Brown
- Jim Baumann
- Melinda LaBarre

**Senior Staff Present**
- Superintendent Koch
- Matt Vanover
- Nicki Bazer
- Melissa Oller
- Don Evans
- Robert Wolfe
- Peter Godard

**General Counsel Nicki Bazer** led a discussion on legislative proposals that the agency’s Governmental Relations staff has been working on for the 2015 Legislative Session, including Accountability System Revisions, Article 21B (Licensure) Revisions, Student Teacher Fingerprinting and Obsolete/Duplicative Changes. In addition, she updated the Board on efforts to move forward with action on House Bill 5537 (Currie/Steans) in the 2014 Veto Session. This bill will better define the parameters for when ISBE can intervene in failing districts by removing the school board and putting an independent authority in place.

**Robert Wolfe** updated the Board on Senate Bill 16, providing information on issues that were discussed in meetings this summer held by members of the House Democratic Caucus. He stated that there were issues brought up in these meetings with the equation in the PTELL Adjustment. The Board discussed their concerns and dissatisfaction with PTELL. There was discussion regarding the usage of TIF, PPRT and PTELL. The Board suggested that there be more analysis on PPRT and TIF in the PTELL equation. Staff is expected to continue working on and developing recommended changes to Senate Bill 16 as future meetings are scheduled.

**Superintendent Koch** and staff discussed the financial forecasts and reviewed the dashboards of performance indicators to improve student achievement for East St. Louis and North Chicago. The Board provided direction to staff regarding the next steps in assisting these intervention districts with financial support, sustainability and additional funding to improve student learning and growth.

Chairman Chico announced that the Board would break for lunch at 12:27 p.m. The Board reconvened the open session at 1:35 p.m.

**Peter Goddard** discussed the importance of adopting a set of measures for the Board’s strategic plan. He also presented to the Board a preliminary list of targets, goals and priority metrics. Curt Bradshaw led discussion over his concern of the list of priority metrics, suggesting that there be further, more in depth discussion to improve and implement these priorities in the area of college and career readiness and graduation.
CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Hall 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:

- Sec.2.c(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

- Sec.2.c(16) Self-evaluation practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member.

- Sec.2.c(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

Dr. Brown seconded that motion and The Board entered into closed session at 2:40 p.m. and reconvened from closed session at 4:54 p.m.

Chairman Chico announced that the Retreat would recess until tomorrow morning at 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, September 18, 2014

RECONVENE/ ROLL CALL

**Board Members Present**
- Gery Chico, Chairman
- Steven Gilford, Vice Chairman
- Vinni Hall, Secretary
- Curt Bradshaw
- Andrea Brown
- Jim Baumann
- Melinda LaBarre

**Senior Staff Present**
- Superintendent Koch
- Susie Morrison
- Matt Vanover
- Nicki Bazer
- Melissa Oller
- Don Evans
- Robert Wolfe
- Peter Godard

Mr. Gery Chico, Chairman, reconvened the Board for the plenary session at 8:31 a.m., followed by roll call and the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Christopher Koch, State Superintendent of Education, was also in attendance.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDS, ASSESSMENT & ACCOUNTABILITY

Susie Morrison gave an update on the implementation of standards, assessments and accountability. She discussed the importance of leadership and support for the lower performing districts, the effectiveness of ongoing educator training and the implementation of common core evaluation. She also provided a listing of many different resources for standards and assessments that are available online.
Chairman Chico gave a brief review of the Board retreat mentioning the discussion of Board goals, the Board self-evaluation as well as updates on the upcoming Veto Session, Senate Bill 16 and oversight of East St. Louis and North Chicago.

Dr. Matthew Wendt, Superintendent of Oswego Community Unit School District 308, and staff presented the Board with background information pertaining to the districts Waiver Applications regarding online learning. He informed the Board that the funding from these waivers would provide a virtual educational platform for its students.

Lonnie Johns spoke on behalf of the Learning Disabilities Association of Illinois (LDA) regarding their opposition to Senate Bill 16.

The Board viewed a video highlighting Southland College Prep Charter High School’s graduation showing the school’s first graduating class. Dr. Hall spoke briefly on the video and the school.

There were no resolutions or recognitions.

There were no presentations.

Mr. Gilford moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the consent agenda. Dr. Hall 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 August 20, 2014 Board meeting.

Rules for Initial Review
Part 425 (Voluntary Registration and Recognition of Nonpublic Schools)
Places in rules the requirement for nonpublic schools to submit proof of non-profit status when registering with the State Board; clarifies that only nonpublic schools supported wholly or in part by public funds shall be required to have students recite the Pledge of Allegiance; amends requirements for school employees to show freedom from tuberculosis to conform to changes in the rules for tuberculosis control (Illinois Department of Public Health); and adds the requirement for recognized nonpublic schools to hold an annual meeting for review of their emergency and crisis response plans, to conform the rules to changes in the School Safety Drill Act [105 ILCS 128].

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for: Voluntary Registration and Recognition of Nonpublic Schools (23 Illinois Administrative Code 425) Including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register.
Rules for Adoption
Part 25 (Educator Licensure)
Addresses the transition from the current certificate renewal system to the new license renewal system, which took effect July 1, 2014, including a process to award credit for CPDUs completed before June 30, 2014, and other certain activities before August 31, 2014. More than 250 individuals and organizations submitted public comment, and numerous changes in the proposed rulemaking are being recommended in response to the issues raised.

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for: Educator Licensure (23 Illinois Administrative Code 25). 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.

Part 51 (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers under Article 24 of the School Code and Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Principals under Article 34 of the School Code)
Places in Part 51 the process to approve entities to conduct training specific to performance evaluations for school board members who wish to use an optional alternative evaluative dismissal process to dismiss a tenured teacher. One letter of public comment was received and changes in the proposed rulemaking are recommended in response to the issues raised. The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for: Dismissal of Tenured Teachers under Article 24 and Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Principals under Article 34 of the School Code (23 Illinois Administrative Code 51) 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.

Part 650 (Charter Schools)
Lists requirements for biennial reporting by charter school authorizers; sets forth the process for monitoring authorizers and withdrawing their power to authorize in certain circumstances; establishes standards for high-quality charter school authorizing; and states the forms that must be provided when a school board submits reports of approved applications, revisions or renewals to the State Board. Two entities submitted public comment, and numerous changes in the proposed rulemaking are being recommended in response to the issues raised.

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for: Charter Schools (23 Illinois Administrative Code 650). 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.

Contracts and Grants Over $1 Million
Preschool Expansion Grant
Ms. LaBarre moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to submit, in collaboration with the Governor of the State of Illinois, a Preschool Development Grant Expansion Grants application to the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for up to the total eligible award amount of $20 million annually, for the period beginning January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2018. Dr. Brown seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.
Fall 2014 Waiver Report

Mr. Baumann moved that the State Board of Education hereby forwards 48 of the 50 waiver requests summarized in the Fall 2014 Waiver Report to the General Assembly without comment. I further move that the Board forward to the General Assembly 2 waiver requests from Oswego School District 380 with the full support of the Board and our recommendation of approval. Dr. Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BOND AUTHORIZATION

Dr. Brown moves that the Illinois State Board of Education approve Chicago Public Schools 299 for the allocation of $1,907,728 in bonds from the calendar year 2012 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). Ms. LaBarre seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENT OF STATE CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION MEMBER

Mr. Bradshaw moves that The State Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Sylvia Zaldivar-Sykes to the State Charter School Commission to fill the remainder of a 1-year term expiring in October 2014. Ms. LaBarre seconded the motion and it passed with a previous unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENT OF STATE EDUCATOR PREPARATION LICENSURE BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. LaBarre moves that The State Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Kendra Asbury to the Illinois State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. Dr. Brown seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Mr. Baumann moved Pursuant to Section 2.06(d) of the Open Meetings Act, the State Board of Education has reviewed the minutes of its closed sessions from March 12, 2014 and May 14, 2014.

Mr. Baumann moved that the State Board of Education certifies that the need for confidentiality still exists for the closed session minutes for the time period reviewed. Further, the State Board of Education approves the destruction of all closed session verbatim to March 2013 and prior. Mr. Gilford seconded the motion and it passed with a previous unanimous voice vote.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Chairman Chico announced that the Monthly Fiscal and Administrative Reports are now available on line at www.isbe.net/board/fiscal_admin_rep.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gilford moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dr. Hall seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.