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

II. Swearing-In of Board Members

III. Public Participation

IV. Chairman to Appoint Nominating Committee for Board Officers

V. Resolutions & Recognition
   A. Gery J. Chico

VI. Superintendent's Report - Consent Agenda
   A. *Approval of Minutes
      1. Plenary Minutes: January 21, 2015
   B. *Rules for Initial Review
      1. Part 100 (Requirements for Accounting, Budgeting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing)
         Provides an accounting code for the federal Race to the Top Preschool Development Grant Program, needed for recipients to prepare applications and report on the use of the funds.
      2. Part 120 (Pupil Transportation Reimbursement) Responds to P.A. 98-1057, effective January 1, 2015, that allows for reimbursement of transportation costs of parents of students in City of Chicago School District 299 under certain circumstances.
      3. Part 151 (School Construction Program) Responds to P.A. 98-710, effective July 16, 2014, that adds special education cooperatives as eligible applicants for school maintenance grants under the School Construction Program.
      4. Part 365 (Children's Low-cost Laptop Programs) Part will be repealed statutory authority for the program no longer exists.
      5. Part 525 (Intermediate Services) Responds to several pieces of legislation enacted since 2009 that re-focused the work of the advisory boards, eliminated the suburban Cook County Regional Office of education and its advisory board, and transferred responsibility of the delivery of intermediate services to the suburban Intermediate Service Centers.
      6. Part 525 (Regional Offices of Education and Intermediate Services) Part will be repealed and replaced with new Part 525 (see item 5 above).
      7. Part 560 (Parental Participation Pilot Project) Part will be repealed since statutory authority for the program no longer exits.
   C. *Rules for Adoption
      1. Part 100 (Requirements for Accounting, Budgeting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing)
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Development Grant Program, needed for recipients to prepare applications and report on the use of the funds.

D. *Contracts & Grants Over $1 Million
   1. Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the Delivery of Services Under the federal Grants to States for Emergency Management Program
   2. Equipment, Maintenance, Support, and Services Invitation for Bids
   3. Request for Sealed Proposals for ISBE Data Warehouse
   4. Statewide System of Support Fiscal Agent Grant

E. *Spring 2014 Waiver Report
F. *Marquardt SD 15: Request for modification of School Code (105 ILCS 5/14C-2) and Modification of ISBE Rule (23 Ill. Adm. Code 228.30)

*End of Consent Agenda*

VII. Closed Session

VIII. Election of Board Officers

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

X. Announcements & Reports
   A. Superintendent’s/Senior Staff Announcements
   B. Chairman’s Report
      1. Appointment of Committee Chairpersons
         a. Finance and Audit Committee
         b. Education Policy Planning Committee
   C. Member Reports

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

XII. Personnel Action *(as needed)*

XIII. Adjourn

This meeting will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Persons planning to attend who need special accommodations should contact the Board office no later than the date prior to the meeting. Contact the Superintendent's office at the State Board of Education.

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NOTE: Chairman Meeks may call for a break in the meeting as necessary in order for the Board to go into closed session.
An Orientation was conducted for the new Board Members prior to starting the Board meeting. New Board Members Mr. Eligio Pimentel, Ms. Roberta Parks, Ms. Lula Ford and Mr. Craig Lindvahl were present, Mr. Curt Bradshaw and Mrs. Melinda LaBarre were also in attendance. The members were briefed on the ethics and Bylaws of the Board and provided a general overview of some of the functions of the agency.

Chairman Meeks called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m. Dr. Koch was in attendance and a quorum was present.

Members Present
Mr. James Meeks, Chairman
Ms. Melinda LaBarre
Mr. Steven Gilford
Mr. Curt Bradshaw
Mr. Eligio Pimentel
Ms. Roberta Parks
Ms. Lula Ford
Mr. Craig Lindvahl

Members Present by Phone
Mr. James Baumann

Mr. Bradshaw moved that the State Board of education allow Jim Baumann to participate in the Board meeting by phone according to Article V, Section C (3) of the Board Bylaws. Melinda LaBarre seconded the motion. It passed with a roll call vote.

There was a brief, ceremonial swearing-in for the following incoming Board members: Mr. Eligio Pimentel, Ms. Roberta Parks, Ms. Lula Ford and Mr. Craig Lindvahl.

Chairman Meeks recognized Jane Quinlan, Regional Superintendent of Regional Office of Education 9.

Cynthia Woods, Director for Advocacy for the Illinois Association of School Boards, introduced herself and welcomed the new Board Members.

Dr. Matthew Wendt, Superintendent of Regional Office of Education 308 gave a brief description and update of the district and discussed their waiver request submitted to ISBE.

Dr. Loren May, Superintendent of Marquardt School District 15, gave a presentation on the waiver request submitted to ISBE regarding Transitional Bilingual Education. There was discussion amongst the Board regarding the English Language Learner's program, with General Counsel Nicki Bazar raising her concerns that granting this waiver will be in conflict with state and federal Civil Rights laws.

Mr. Aaron Siebert-Llera of MALDEF (Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund) spoke against School District Fifteen’s waiver request.
Chairman Meeks appointed Mr. Bradshaw and Ms. Ford to the Nominating Committee. He asked that Mr. Bradshaw and Ms. Ford to discuss and bring their nominations for Vice-Chair and Secretary to the Board this afternoon.

Mr. Gilford read the resolution honoring Gery Chico for his many years in education. The Board expressed their gratitude for his time spent as a member and Chairman on the Illinois Board of Education. Chairman Meeks moved that the Illinois State Board of Education adopt the resolution. Ms. Parks seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Pimentel moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the consent agenda with the removal of the Spring 2014 Waiver Report and Marquardt SD 15 request for modification of School Code and ISBE Rule. Ms. Ford seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Parks moved for the State Board of Education to hereby forward the 58 waiver requests summarized in the Spring 2015 Waiver Report to the General Assembly without comment. Mr. Lindvahl seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Bradshaw moved for the State Board of Education to hereby deny the request submitted by Marquardt School District 15 (WM300-6029) to modify the statutory provisions for Transitional Bilingual Education because such request does not demonstrate that it meets the intent of the mandate in a more effective manner and could compromise equal opportunities for learning. Ms. LaBarre 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 January 21, 2015 board meeting.

**Rules for Initial Review**

**Part 100 (Requirements for Accounting, Budgeting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing)**

This rulemaking would provide an accounting code for the federal Race to the Top Preschool Development Grant Program, needed for recipients to prepare applications and report on the use of the funds; update the incorporation of auditing standards issued by the U.S. Comptroller; and provide an expenditure code for school districts that have authorized charter schools.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for Requirements for Accounting, Budgeting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing (23 Illinois Administrative Code 100) including publication of the proposed amendments in Illinois Register.

**Part 120 (Pupil Transportation Reimbursement)**

This rulemaking responds to P.A. 98-1057, effective January 1, 2015, that allows for reimbursement of transportation costs of parents of students in City of Chicago School District 299 under certain circumstances.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for Pupil Transportation Reimbursement (23 Illinois Administrative Code 120), including publication of the proposed amendments...
Part 151 (School Construction Program)
This rulemaking responds to P.A. 98-710, effective July 16, 2014, that adds special education cooperatives as eligible applicants for school maintenance grants under the School Construction Program.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for School Construction Program (23 Illinois Administrative Code 151), including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register.

Part 365 (Children's Low-cost Laptop Program)
This part is proposed for repeal since the statutory authority for the program no longer exists.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for Children's Low-cost Laptop Program (23 Illinois Administrative Code 365), including publication of the proposed repealer in Illinois Register.

Part 525 (Intermediate Services)
This rulemaking responds to several pieces of legislation enacted since 2009 that re-focus the work of the Regional Office of Education (ROEs) advisory boards; eliminate the suburban Cook County Regional Office of education and its advisory board, and transfer responsibility for the delivery of intermediate services to the suburban Intermediate Service Center (ISC); reduce the number of remaining ROEs from 44 to 35; and allow City of Chicago School District 299 to serve as the administrator of its ISC.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemakings for Intermediate Services (23 Illinois Administrative Code 525) including publication of the proposed rules in the Illinois Register.

Part 525 (Regional Offices of Education and Intermediate Services)
The proposed new Part 525 will eventually replace the existing Part 525, which is proposed for repeal.

Regional Offices of Education and Intermediate Services (repealer) (23 Illinois Administrative Code 525) including publication of the proposed repealer in Illinois Register.

Part 560 (Parental Participation Pilot Program)
This part is proposed for repeal since statutory authority for the program no longer exists.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for Parental Participation Pilot Program (23 Illinois Administrative Code 560), including publication of the proposed repealer in Illinois Register.

Rules for Adoption
Part 100 (Requirements for Accounting, Budgeting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing) (EMERGENCY)
This emergency rulemaking provides an account code for the federal Race to the Top Preschool Development Grant Program, which is needed for recipients to prepare applications this spring for receipt of grants and to later report on the use in Illinois Register.
of the funds.

The State Board of Education hereby adopts the emergency rulemaking for Requirements for Accounting, Budgeting, Financial Reporting, and Auditing (23 Illinois Administrative Code 100).

**Contracts and Grants Over $1 Million**

**Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the Delivery of Services Under the federal Grants to States for Emergency Management Program**

The Office of the General Counsel requests the Board to authorize the State Superintendent to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) for the purpose of delivering services under the federal Grants to States for Emergency Management (GSEM) program in an amount to total $1,092,250.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent the State Superintendent to enter into an intergovernmental agreement through June 30, 2016, for $1,092,250, with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) for the purpose of delivering services under the federal Grants to States for Emergency Management (GSEM) program. The total Intergovernmental Agreement will not exceed $1,092,250.

**Equipment, Maintenance, Support, and Services Invitation for Bids**

The Information Technology Division (IT) seeks to issue an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to establish an agency specific master contract for the procurement of equipment, maintenance, support, training and services.

The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to release an Invitation for Bids to create an agency specific contract for EMC hardware, maintenance, support, training and services. The initial contract term will not exceed $1,974,000.

**Request for Sealed Proposals for ISBE Data Warehouse**

The Information Technology Division (IT) seeks to issue two Request for Sealed Proposals to acquire one project manager, one business analyst, one data architect and two programmer analysts on a time and materials basis to assist in the maintenance and continued development of the ISBE Illinois Longitudinal Data System (ILDS) Data Warehouse.

The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to release two RFSPs to procure one project manager, one business analyst, one data architect and two programmer analysts who will assist in the maintenance and continued development of the ISBE Data Warehouse. The initial contracts’ terms and five possible one-year renewals will not exceed $5,727,000.

**Statewide System of Support Fiscal Agent Grant**

The System of Support and District Intervention Division within the Center for Innovation and Improvement requests the Board to authorize the State Superintendent to amend the continuation awards of the Statewide System of Support (SSoS) grant whereby one or more Regional Offices of Education or Intermediate Service Centers (ROEs/ISCs) are expected to receive an increase in their SSoS Fiscal Agent (FA) grant. The total increase awarded over a period of three years, Fiscal Years 2016-2018 (FY16-18), will not exceed $5,908,854. This increase will provide statewide delivery of foundational services for additional key state initiatives and provide support for districts eligible for priority and focus services which are coordinated by the Illinois Center for School
The State Board hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to amend and continue the Statewide System of Support Grant Agreement with Fiscal Agent grantees effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018, to amend the overall grant amount by $5,908,854, from a previously-approved total grant amount of $55,617,681 not to exceed $61,526,535; based on the allocation increases in Appendix A.

END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Lindvahl 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) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body.

Section c 11 for the purpose of considering pending or probable litigation against or affecting the Board.

He further moved that the Board may invite anyone they wish to be included in closed session.

BREAK

Mr. Gilford seconded the motion and the Board entered into closed session at 11:35 a.m. and reconvened from closed session at 2:36 p.m.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Chairman Meeks asked Mr. Bradshaw and Ms. Ford to bring forth their nominations for Vice-Chair and Secretary positions.

Mr. Bradshaw moved that the State Board of Education elect Steven Gilford as Vice Chairperson. With no further nominations Ms. Parks seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Ford moved that the State Board of Education elect Melinda LaBarre as Secretary. With no further nominations Mr. Bradshaw seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.

DISTRICT OVERSIGHT

Superintendent Koch briefly described the status of East St. Louis and North Chicago. He discussed the financial status of both schools and that they both have elected Financial Oversight Panels. Chairman Meeks invited members of the Board to join him in visiting East St. Louis School District at a Town Hall Meeting.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Nicki Bazar presented a handout of legislation in the legislature at this time. She briefly discussed legislation that ISBE is currently drafting for the 99th General Assembly.

SUPERINTENDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superintendent Koch asked Robert Wolfe to briefly talk about the Executive Order15-08 that were recently announced by Governor Rauner. Mr. Wolfe explained that the following grants were deemed to be non-essential by the Governor’s Office of Management and Budget: Advanced Placement Exam Fee for Low-Income Pupils for $1,500,000; Arts and Foreign Language Grant for $500,000; and the Grant to the Illinois Principals Association for Professional Development Opportunities for Principals from Priority Schools for $100,000. Chairman Meeks suggested the Board appeal the Advanced Placement Exam Fee for Low-Income Pupils Grant and the Low Performing School Grant. The
# APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Board discussed and concurred with Chairman Meeks.

Chairman Meeks appointed James Baumann as the Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee.

Chairman Meeks appointed Craig Lindvahl as the Chairman of the Education Policy Planning Committee.

# INFORMATION ITEMS

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

# MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Meeks moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. LaBarre seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Melinda LaBarre
Board Secretary

Mr. James T. Meeks
Chairman