

Illinois Educator Preparation Profile Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

Illinois State Board of Education

Zoom Meeting; Invite Only
Wednesday, September 9, 2026
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

I. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Cheryl Krohn welcomed all new and returning advisory group members and guests. C. Krohn reminded participants of the framing, core values, and charge for the advisory group work and reviewed the meeting agenda.

II. Meeting Twelve Review: Themes and Considerations

C. Krohn provided highlights of key agenda items from meeting twelve which included completing initial recommendations for the Performance as Classroom Teachers/School Leaders domain in breakout rooms. The teaching and school support personnel groups also participated in an IWERC presentation on the 2018-2024 Candidate Selection and Completion historical APR teaching and school support personnel data, followed by breakout rooms focused on revisiting Candidate Selection and Completion initial recommendations after reviewing the IWERC data on that domain.

C. Krohn presented the initial recommendations for the Performance domain for all three stakeholder groups, reminding participants that all initial recommendations will be revisited and finalized at later meetings.

Lastly, Delaney Strukely presented group norms for participants' consideration as the advisory group moves toward finalizing their recommendations. Advisory group members were invited to suggest additional norms in the chat.

III. Data Presentation: Contribution to State Needs

Mariana Barragan Torres presented high-level findings from the IWERC analysis of teaching and school support personnel candidate data within the Contribution to State Needs domain (teaching IEPP domain 4). Advisory group members received the full data package via email prior to the meeting. Findings drew from historical data collected in 2018-2024. Data shared included key takeaways on the following indicators:

- Placement in teaching
- Placement in teaching in high-needs schools

M. Barragan Torres and IWERC staff facilitated a brief whole group discussion on the data presentation and responded to questions from the advisory group after the presentation.

IV. Domain Deep Dive: Contribution to State Needs

C. Krohn reviewed the Contribution to State Needs domain and its indicators and performance measures before transitioning to the breakout room activity. C. Krohn instructed participants to reflect on the IWERC data presented, review pre-work responses collected prior to the meeting to ground group discussions, and begin drafting initial recommendations for each indicator. Breakout rooms lasted for 40 minutes and included a facilitator and notetaker.

C. Krohn also invited new advisory group members to remain in the main room with ISBE staff if they had questions about the work or were interested in receiving a high-level orientation.

V. Preparing for Upcoming Meetings

After returning from breakout rooms, C. Krohn and other breakout room facilitators briefly shared a progress update for each stakeholder group. C. Krohn informed participants that there would be no pre-work ahead of the next meeting but encouraged participants to continue to review the IWERC data package on the Contribution to State Needs domain.

VI. Closing

C. Krohn reminded advisory group members of the meeting cadence. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 23, 2026, from 3:30-5:00 pm. C. Krohn adjourned the meeting.

VII. Key Decisions Made

None at this time.

Advisory Group Attendees:

Name	09.09.26	Name	09.09.26
Dr. Jerri A. Haynes		Lisset Rosales	
Dr. Kavita Kapadia Matsko	In attendance	Dr. Andrea Guerrero	
Ben Wells		Dr. Ellie Ambuehl	In attendance
Jill Donnel	In attendance	Dr. Aaron Baker	
Alberto Lopez	In attendance	Jessica Lozano	
Corey Pevitz		Dr. Todd Dugan	
Jennifer Smith	In attendance	Dr. LaVada Taylor	
Bob Chikos		Jennifer Engelland-Schultz	
Yvette Justice		Dr. Leticia Villarreal Sosa	
Felicia Butts	In attendance	Patrick Wildman	In attendance
James Arriola		Dr. Brenda Huber	In attendance
Lisa Caputo Love	In attendance	Bridget Heroff	
Alexander Parker		Dr. Janet Olson	In attendance
Dr. Tron Young		Dr. Eileen Moss	In attendance
Joshua Billingsley		Christopher "CJ" Hamilton	In attendance
Troy Hinkel	In attendance	Dr. Gary Cates	
Justin Recuero		Dr. Leonis S. Wright	
Alexandra Whitley	In attendance	Carlos Evans Jr.	
Corey Winchester		Dr. Lacey Anderson	
Dr. Jordan R. Humphrey	In attendance	Alicia Scott	
Dr. Jennie Winters	In attendance	Jencie Annette Gullidge	
Ray Toliver Jr		Lisell Zuniga	
Dr. Tim Dohrer		Jennifer Dahman	In attendance
Dr. Andrea Dinaro	In attendance	Dr. Kimberly Chambers	
Dr. Bruce Law	In attendance	Dr. Heather Jones	
Dr. Alison Reeves		Dr. Maria Sinkule	In attendance
Andy Stumpf		Gloria Barrera	
Dr. Janet Gladu		Matina May-Dotson	
Dr. Pamela Rockwood		Dr. Janet L. Gont (New)	In attendance
Sandra Thayer (New)	In attendance	Diana Elshref (New)	In attendance
Scott Sullivan (New)	In attendance	Dr. Jin-ah Kim (New)	In attendance
Jeannette Schorfheide (New)	In attendance	LaNedra Mitchell (New)	
Maggie Antonelli (New)	In attendance	Adam Parrot-Sheffer (New)	In attendance
Tena Brazen (New)	In attendance	Michelle Mauer (New)	
Mary Noga (New)	In attendance	Charles Beavers (New)	In attendance
Dr. Cynthia Barron (New)	In attendance	Tonya Tolbert (New)	In attendance