

Balanced Accountability Measure Committee

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January 10, 2022

1 – 2 p.m.

Minutes

IBAM Members Present:

Thomas Bertrand, Illinois Association of School Boards
Jeff Broom, Chicago Public Schools
Alicia Geddis, Danville School District 118
Rhonda Jenkins, Illinois Parent Teacher Association
Mark Klaisner, Illinois Association of Regional School Superintendents
Daniel Krause, Illinois Principals Association
Cathy Mannen, Illinois Federation of Teachers
Mary Jane Morris, Illinois Education Association
Chad Watkins, Illinois Association of School Administrators

IBAM Members Absent:

Karl Goeke, Illinois Education Association
Kurt Hilgendorf, Chicago Teachers Union
Erin Roche, Chicago Principals Association

ISBE staff present:

Rae Clementz, Director of Accountability
Dana Kinley, Executive Director, Center of Systems of Support
Christine Paxson, Director of ESSA/IL-EMPOWER
Pamela Krushall, Program Support Specialist, ESSA/IL-EMPOWER & Accountability

Visiting Members present:

Melissa Figueira
Elliott Regenstein, Foresight Advisors

I. Welcome/Roll Call

Ms. Clementz brought the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

II. Approval of Minutes from the December 17, 2021 Meeting

Ms. Mannen made motion to approve version three of the minutes. Mr. Broom moved and Ms. Morris seconded. A roll call vote was taken, Mr. Klaiser and Mr. Bertrand abstained from voting

due to not being present at the last meeting. The minutes were approved.

III. Review of IBAM Response Letter to ESSA Accountability 2022 Changes

a. Redline ESSA Plan

b. Draft 2022 Letter from IBAM Regarding the Accountability Amendment

Ms. Clementz discussed the proposed IBAM letter for 2022. She began with the first paragraph titled Purpose, reading each paragraph, then paused for discussion.

Ms. Mannen stated that she had made changes/updates to the names and dates on the letter and asked if there were any comments.

Ms. Clementz asked about the Context section. Ms. Mannen stated that this was new and much of it had to do with the impact of the pandemic on schools, saying she tried to summarize the main points from the last three IBAM meetings.

Ms. Clementz read the first paragraph and Ms. Mannen asked if there was any feedback from the IBAM members. She also talked about the process for adding additional recommendations and the timeline to submit the letter to ISBE by January 14, 2022.

Ms. Clementz read the next paragraph – Recommendations, and Ms. Mannen paused for discussion. There were three recommendations, (1) Broad support overall with no new recommendations, (2) Broad support with recommendations, and (3) Each Individual recommendation. Ms. Clementz asked for an informal vote by show of hands, Ms. Mannen suggested using the chat to vote. The majority were in favor of broad support. Mr. Broom suggested sending caveats to the recommendations later. Mr. Broom asked if these were the complete recommendations or would there be more. Ms. Mannen stated these were the current recommendations. Mr. Broom suggested making the information in the paragraph more specific. Mr. Bertrand suggested there be additional data added. Ms. Clementz responded that there would be no new data collected or used for 2022. Mr. Watkins suggested the third sentence in the paragraph be modified. It was noted and updated.

Ms. Mannen asked Ms. Clementz about clarification of the Meta Indicators. Ms. Clementz said there are four indicators. She stated the plan specified the timeline for convening the working groups and submitting recommendations. She also said there must be three years of data to validate. The projected date of implementation is 2025 which is subject to change, and that 2022 data will be used for purposes of validation. Ms. Mannen asked about revisiting the indicators as the data is being collected. Mr. Bertrand and Ms. Jenkins agreed. Ms. Clementz said any changes would require board approval and possibly move the date for implementation. Ms. Mannen asked if there were any other comments, questions, or suggestions. She asked that all caveats be sent to her by close of business on January 12, 2022.

IV. Vote to Approve Letter from IBAM Regarding Accountability Amendment

Ms. Mannen suggested a roll call vote on IBAM supporting the recommendations with caveats by individual organizations being recognized formally. The motion was moved by Mr. Bertrand and second by Mr. Krause. Ms. Clementz took a roll call and the approval was made to move forward pending final approval. Ms. Clementz asked for the committee to provide written confirmation of their approval of the letter. Ms. Mannen agreed.

V. New Business

a.Exit Criteria

b.Additional State Action

c. State Supports

d.College and Career Readiness

Dr. Kinley spoke briefly on the need for input for the development of the criteria.

Mr. Broom asking about receiving information, data, etc. in advance of the March meeting. Ms. Clementz responded she would be willing to send any information needed. She asked what other information the committee would like. Mr. Bertrand asked for clarification of the topics. Ms. Clementz spoke more in detail regarding the exit criteria. Mr. Klaisner asked for clarification on the existing exit criteria. Ms. Clementz again gave a detailed response regarding the exit criteria. Dr. Kinley suggested viewing the current ESSA Plan. Ms. Mannen encouraged the committee to share any other ideas for the March meeting. She also talked about the Quality Framework and the Rubric.

Ms. Clementz asked if there would be at least three representatives from IBAM who are interested in sharing input on the topic of College and Career Readiness. Ms. Mannen asked if feedback from those groups would come back to IBAM. Ms. Clementz said that it would.

Ms. Clementz then left the meeting and turned it over to Ms. Mannen.

VI. Public Comment

Mr. Regenstein asked how to submit written comments to the group prior to the final recommendation for the IBAM letter. Ms. Mannen replied she would check with Ms. Clementz and get back to him.

VII. Adjourn

Mr. Bertrand moved, and Ms. Geddis seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

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