Balanced Accountability Measure Committee

Via GoTo Meeting

September 28, 2021 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. Minutes

IBAM Members Present:

Thomas Bertrand, Illinois Association of School Boards
Daniel Booth, Illinois Principals Association
Jeff Broom, Chicago Public Schools
Rhonda Jenkins, Illinois Parent Teacher Association
Karl Goeke, Illinois Education Association
Kurt Hilgendorf, Chicago Teachers Union
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
Erin Roche, Chicago Principals Association
Chad Watkins, Illinois Association of School Administrators

IBAM Members Absent:

None.

ISBE staff present:

Rae Clementz, Illinois State Board of Education Dana Kinley, Illinois State Board of Education Christine Paxson, Illinois State Board of Education

I. Welcome/Roll Call

Ms. Clementz brought the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

II. Elect Chair

Ms. Clementz made the motion to vote for the new Chair. The nominees are Mr. Klaisner and Ms. Mannen. The motion was passed by unanimous electronic vote. Ms. Mannen is Chair.

III. Elect Vice Chair

Ms. Clementz made the motion to vote for a new Vice Chair. The nominees are Mr. Roche and Mr. Bertrand. The motion was passed by unanimous electronic vote. Mr. Bertrand is Vice Chair.

IV. Approval of Minutes from the January 5, 2021, Meeting

Mr. Bertrand made motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Clementz paused to take roll call again at 8:13 a.m. Ms. Mannen asked that since we have some new members, everyone should introduce themselves. Ms. Clementz introduced the Executive Director of Systems of Support, Dr.Dana Kinley, and the Director of ESSA/IL-EMPOWER, Christine Paxson along with support staff Pamela Krushall. After the introductions, Ms. Clementz gave an update on what is going on with Accountability.

Ms. Clementz shared an update on the upcoming year. She spoke about waivers and what ED is requiring from ISBE. She asked if there are any questions.

Mr.Goeke asked about reporting and metrics and how we acknowledge that students have changed due to the pandemic. Ms. Clementz asked Mr. Booth to comment on the question. Mr.Booth voiced the need to look at what we have learned over the last 19 months and to not revert back to last fall's practices. Ms. Jenkins made a comment that the parents are very concerned about testing and no adjustments being made for the pandemic. Ms. Mannan stated the need for space for healing for both students and educators. All agreed the number one priority for the students and staff are health and safety.

Ms. Clementz spoke about how different the report card will look this year. She stated there will be three releases, one in October, one in December, and one in April. The first release will not contain any assessment data which is different from years past. The second release will contain assessment data from spring testers as well as College and Career data. The third release will contain ACCESS, DLM and all the remaining fall testers from IAR and SAT.

V. Presentation of IL-EMPOWER Year 2 Evaluation and Year 3 Mid-Year Evaluation

Ms. Clementz introduced Dr. Shelly Menendez from Measurement Inc.

Dr. Menendez shared the IL-EMPOWER Year 2 Evaluation and Year 3 Mid-Year Evaluation. The purpose is to evaluate the outcomes of comprehensive and targeted schools. Dr. Menendez stated data is limited due to schools closing for the pandemic. Most schools are complying, and most schools have made positive progress.

Dr. Menendez talked about data from 2019-2020 which included learning partner support (funding and how money was spent, and how support was provided), coordinators check in and data review (received high ratings), mid-year findings (looking at progress on implementation strategies and goal attainment) and the results of the survey sent to schools to rate the learning partner.

Ms. Paxson thanked Dr. Menendez for sharing this information with the committee.

VI. Discussion of the Results of the Evaluation

The need to address the impact of the pandemic, especially the social and emotional well-being of the student and the trauma the pandemic has caused. Work needs to be focused on healing the student.

VII. New Business

Topics to Cover at Future Meetings:

- Finalize recommendation for 2022 systems
- Criteria to move school out of status
- Ongoing continuous improvement effort
- Assessment

Future Meeting Dates:

• Future meeting dates were scheduled for the remainder of the year.

VIII. Public Comment

None.

IX. Adjourn

Ms. Mannen made the motion to adjourn. Mr.Bertrand seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

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