ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION



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June 16, 2021

10 a.m.

1. Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Public Participation

A. Individuals who wish to sign up for public participation should complete an <u>online form</u> that will be available from 8:30-9:30 a.m. June 16. Participants will be able to review the guidelines and indicate if they wish to speak. They should <u>join the meeting</u> by computer or phone. The call-in number is (224) 501-3412. The access code is 337-847-741.

3. Presentations

A. Strategic Plan Update

4. Closed Session

- A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- B. 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
- C. Meetings between internal or external auditors and governmental audit committees, finance committees, and their equivalents, when the discussion involves internal control weaknesses, identification of potential fraud risk areas, known or suspected frauds, and

fraud interviews conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States of America. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(29)

- 5. Public Participation (as needed)
- 6. Superintendent's Report Consent Agenda

All action consideration items listed with an asterisk () below are considered to be routine and will be enacted in one motion and vote. Any Board member who wishes separate discussion on any item listed on the consent agenda may remove that item from the consent agenda, in which event the item will be considered in its normal sequence.

- A. *Approval of Minutes Plenary Minutes: May 19, 2021
- B. *Rules for Initial Review Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)

 State Assessment
- C. *Rules for Initial Review Part 75 (Agricultural Education Program) ICAE

 Recommendations
- D. *Rules for Adoption Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)

 Social Science Standards
- E. *Rules for Adoption Part 305 (School Food Service) Reimbursable Meal
- F. *Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of the Notice of Funding Opportunity/Request for Proposals for New Principal Mentoring Program
- G. *Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of the Notice of Funding Opportunity/Request for Proposals for Principal Recruitment Program
- H. *Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of Sole Source Contract with Illinois
 Education Association for New Teacher Virtual Coaching and Mentoring Program
- I. *Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of the Intergovernmental (IGA)

 Amendment with DoIT
- J. *Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of the Intergovernmental (IGA)

 Amendment with Illinois Board of Higher Education
- K. *Approval of the Alzina Building Lease
- L. *Approval of Revised FY 2022 Board Meeting Calendar
- M. *Approval of National Association of State Boards of Education Membership Dues
- N. *Acceptance Item Fiscal Year 2020 Financial Audit Report
- O. *Acceptance Item Compliance Examination Report for the Two Years Ended June 30, 2020
- 7. Approval of Extended Corrective Actions and Recommendations Concerning the CPS Public Inquiry
- 8. Ratification of support for Dr. Christine Benson, NASBE Chair-Elect
- 9. Discussion and Approval

- A. Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund II (GEER II) Grant with Illinois Network of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (INCCRRA)
- B. Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund II (GEER II): Chaddock for the Workforce Expansion Project
- C. Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Board of Higher Education for High Impact Tutoring Program
- D. Contracts & Grants over \$1 Million Approval to Release Supplemental American Rescue Plan Funds to FY 2021 McKinney-Vento Continuation Grant
- E. Contracts & Grants over \$1 Million Approval of Learning Conditions Statewide Trauma Response Initiative – Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Public Health
- F. Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million Approval of Lanter Distributing, LLC contract amendment
- G. Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million Approval of additional funding for University of Kansas to support the administration of the Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment (DLM-AA) to be administered in the fall of school year 2021-2022
- H. Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million -Approval of additional funding for Breakthrough Technologies to support the administration of the Illinois Science Assessment to be administered in the fall of school year 2021-2022.
- Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million Approval of additional funding for Pearson to support the administration of the Illinois Assessment of Readiness to be administered in the fall of school year 2021-2022

10. Upcoming Board Action

A. Rules for Initial Review – Part 268 (After-School Grant Program) New Program

11. Discussion Items

- A. Legislative Update
- B. FY 2022 Budget Update

12. Announcements & Reports

- A. Superintendent's/Senior Staff Announcements
- B. Chair of the Board's Report
- C. Member Reports

13. Information Items

- A. ISBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports
- B. FOIA Monthly Report
- C. ISBE Quarterly Staff Demographics Report

14. 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 by phone at (217) 782-2221; TTY/TDD is (217) 782-1900.

NOTE: The Chair of the Board may call for a break in the meeting as necessary in order for the Board to go into closed session.

Approved 08/18/2021

Illinois State Board of Education Meeting

June 16, 2021

Via Webinar Only

ROLL CALL

Chair of the Board Darren Reisberg called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Chair Reisberg announced that the Board meeting was being audio-cast live over the internet and video recorded. He declared that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and that made a physical presence for the meeting unfeasible. He noted that the Board intends for meetings to be conducted in person beginning in August.

Chair Reisberg asked the clerk to call the roll. A quorum was present with six members attending via webinar. Dr. Leak arrived at 10:23 a.m., making the count seven. State Superintendent Dr. Carmen I. Ayala was also in attendance.

Members Present:

Darren Reisberg, Chairperson Dr. Donna Leak, Vice Chair Jaime Guzman, Secretary Dr. Christine Benson Roger Eddy Dr. David Lett Susie Morrison

Chair Reisberg gave a statement acknowledging and honoring Juneteenth.

Dr. Ayala noted that the Request for Sealed Proposals for the improved state assessment is no longer on the agenda, and staff are continuing to collect stakeholder feedback before moving forward.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chair of the Board Reisberg reminded those in attendance of the Public Participation Policy and the sign-up procedures for today's remote meeting.

Dr. Jeff Schuler, superintendent of Wheaton and Warrenville School District 200, reported his district's success in avoiding the spread of COVID-19 and sent a letter describing the district's methods and procedures in detail to Dr. Ayala. He highlighted the importance of providing the state guidelines and requirements as soon as possible so that schools can plan accordingly. Chair Reisberg expressed understanding of the urgency and stated that the agency is trying hard to make the information available, but it will likely take longer than desired.

Dan Bridges, superintendent of Naperville District 203, outlined why it is of utmost importance to distribute state guidelines as soon as possible.

Jeff Feucht, superintendent of Lake Park District 108, echoed Dr. Schuler and Mr. Bridges' remarks and explained that previous guidance has had a negative impact on districts.

Adrian Talley, superintendent of Indian Prairie School District 204, explained the need to update the protocol for contact tracing in accordance with the protocol for social distancing. He also outlined some of the challenges pertaining to the serving of lunch to students.

Tammy Prentiss, superintendent of Hinsdale Township District 86, listed the steps her district has taken to adhere to guidelines. She listed the challenges presented by certain state guidelines. She requested more collaboration with local superintendents in regard to these guidelines.

Sheri Urlacher, a parent from Township High School District 211 in Cook County, expressed concern regarding the wearing of masks and the potential impacts it may have on health. She said she feels that the state guidelines are misguided and not enforceable.

Marsha McClary, a parent from Barrington School District 220, echoed the previous speaker's concern and reported that a parent union has been formed. She reported statistics about the low health risks for students and the availability of vaccination for adults in arguing against the issuance of COVID-19 safety guidelines. She also stated that the vaccinations are authorized for efficacy but not approved for safety.

Shannon Adcock, representing Awake Illinois, reported growing concerns related to the mask mandate for students and requested that local school boards survey their communities about expectations of execution of public health guidelines rather than using a one-size-fits-all approach. She requested a clarification as to whether guidance -- not mandates – was being distributed.

Dr. Ayala made a statement that the top priority of the agency and the leaders across the state is the health and safety of students and staff. She thanked everyone for their public comments and assured them that policies and guidelines are being written in accordance with public health officials and in communication with sister agencies. These guidelines will be published as soon as possible.

PRESENTATIONS – STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Dr. Ayala, Education Officer Ernesto Matias, Financial Officer Robert Wolfe, and Research and Evaluation Officer Brenda Dixon provided this update. They reviewed the agency's equity statement, the plan's goals and guiding questions, and how the agency has been moving forward with the aforementioned topics in mind.

Dr. Lett complimented the staff about the progress being made. He asked if June would typically be when the Board will be receiving these updates. Dr. Ayala thanked him and said that the Board as well as the public receive monthly status updates. There will also be quarterly reports and an annual update in June.

Dr. Benson requested a copy of the equity journey continuum. Dr. Ayala said that an updated draft of the continuum is in the works and will be sent to the Board in the future.

Chair Reisberg asked what actions the agency took that led to an increase in the number of students of color in educator prep programs. Can there be further similar investment to continue that growth? Dr. Matias said that the agency leveraged partnerships in order to offer effective incentives for diverse candidates. He said he would follow up with a more complete answer in writing. Dr. Ayala added that the very first phase in equity achievement that can have an impact is awareness. She said that bringing this topic to the forefront is likely responsible for a considerable amount of the initial growth.

CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Morrison moved that the State Board of Education go into closed session for the following exception items:

- A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- B. 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
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She further moved that Board members may invite anyone they wish to be included in this closed session.

Dr. Benson seconded the motion, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote. Dr. Leak was unavailable for voting.

The open meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m. to go into closed session at 11:20 a.m. The open meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jay Williams, an agriculture instructor at Stillman Valley High School, spoke in support of MyCaert and listed its benefits to the classroom.

Michelle Wiseman, an agriculture instructor from Edwards County High School, spoke in support of MyCaert and explained how agriculture education depends on it.

John Kabat, an agriculture instructor from Mount Vernon Township High School, spoke in support of MyCaert.

Dr. Ayala said that information was sent earlier in June about how teachers can continue their access to MyCaert to the end of the school year and to email aklein@isbe.net with any questions. She affirmed that staff are continuing to seek a resolution to the issue at hand.

Ms. Morrison asked for additional details about the MyCaert discussions. Dr. Ayala said that prices are being negotiated but that no matter the platform the resources will definitely continue to be available to teachers, though the interactive benefits of MyCaert may not be. Ms. Morrison asked why ISBE's royalties are not being used to reinvest into the platform. Dr. Ayala said she would have to follow up with information about how those royalties are being put to use.

Chair Reisberg provided reassurance that there are likely a wealth of options in terms of contractors and price.

Dr. Lett highlighted the instructors' concern about ease of use and emphasized the importance of retaining that ease in whichever platform.

Mr. Eddy provided a suggestion for price negotiation and added affirmation that MyCaert is a vital tool.

Ms. Morrison echoed the sentiment about MyCaert's importance.

Katie Osgood, a representative of the Chicago Teachers Union Testing Committee, spoke against assessment by sharing her work experiences that demonstrate its devastating and disproportionate impact on students' mental health and academic performance and how students can thrive in the absence of assessment.

Naoma Nagahawatte, parent and advocacy director of Raise Your Hand, spoke against assessment by providing a critique of the accuracy/utility of assessment results as well as impact on instruction time and student well-being. She argued that the money could be put to many other better uses. She also encouraged more community participation in the development of alternative plans to assessment.

Cassie Cresswell, representing Illinois Families for Public Schools, spoke against assessment. She provided data that supports the idea that assessment has a negative impact on the quality of students' educational experiences.

Dr. Ayala made a statement explaining that feedback is continuing to be collected in order to make the plan as equitable and beneficial to students as possible.

Ginger Meyer, a representative from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, spoke about trauma-informed school systems of care in southern Illinois. She provided status updates on some of the relevant projects and programming.

Terri Smith, a special education parent advocate, spoke on the gross inequities within special education services and discussed some of the impacts on Black and Brown students. She asked that ISBE work to address these inequities and that the Special Education Department include a section on Individualized Education Programs that identifies the students' Lexile reading levels.

Johannes Frazier, an elementary school parent from Round Lake School District 116, spoke on the need for more clarity about the availability of remote learning options in the coming year.

William Rhabe, representing the Special Education Advocacy Coalition of Chicago, provided a status update on the student-specific corrective action system.

Gracia Livie, a parent from Naperville Community Unit School District 203, spoke on behalf of her 10-year-old daughter, who would like to lift the mask mandate for students. Her daughter's testimony listed the social difficulties that come with wearing masks all day and how it affects her ability to communicate with her special needs sister.

April Harris, a parent and advocate from the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, presented ideas for what the state can do to support homeless students.

Matt Alvarez, a parent, discussed issues his daughter has faced as a result of Chicago Public Schools (CPS) not being legally required to offer an accelerated placement policy.

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Ayala reviewed the items under the Consent Agenda.

Dr. Leak clarified to the public that item B, Rules for Initial Review – Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision) *State Assessment*, is not for the improved assessment but for administering the spring assessment in the fall.

Chair Reisberg thanked Dr. Benson for her work as the Board's representative on the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE).

Dr. Lett moved that the State Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda.

Dr. Leak seconded the motion, and it passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

The following motions were approved by action taken in the Consent Agenda motion:

Approval of Minutes

Plenary Minutes: May 19, 2021

The Illinois State Board of Education hereby approves the May 19, 2021, meeting minutes.

Rules for Initial Review

*Rules for Initial Review – Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)

State Assessment

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)

Including publication of the proposed rules in the Illinois Register to elicit public comment.

*Rules for Initial Review – Part 75 (Agricultural Education Program) ICAE Recommendations

I recommend that the following motion be adopted:

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed rulemaking for:

Part 75 (Agricultural Education Program)

Including publication of the proposed rules in the Illinois Register to elicit public comment.

Rules for Adoption

*Rules for Adoption – Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)

Social Science Standards

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to submit the proposed rulemakings for Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision) to JCAR for second notice.

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical and non-substantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of JCAR.

*Rules for Adoption – Part 305 (School Food Service) Reimbursable Meal
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to submit the proposed rulemakings for Part 305 (School Food Service) to JCAR for second notice.

Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical and non-substantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of JCAR.

Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million

*Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million – Approval of the Notice of Funding
Opportunity/Request for Proposals for New Principal Mentoring Program

The State Board of Education further authorizes the State Superintendent to execute grant agreements within defined parameters to any entity eligible to receive more than \$1 million for a single award or over the life of the grant.

*Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million – Approval of the Notice of Funding Opportunity/Request for Proposals for Principal Recruitment Program

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to release the Principal Recruitment Program NOFO/RFP and award funds to successful applicants. The initial term of the grant will begin July 1, 2021, and extend through June 30, 2022, with two one-year continuation renewals. All grant years are contingent upon a sufficient appropriation and, for the continuation years, satisfactory performance in each preceding grant year. The estimated total cost will not exceed \$1.8 million in FY 2022

The State Board of Education further authorizes the State Superintendent to execute grant agreements within defined parameters to any entity eligible to receive more than \$1 million for a single award or over the life of the grant.

*Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million – Approval of Sole Source Contract with Illinois Education Association for New Teacher Virtual Coaching and Mentoring Program

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to award a sole source contract to Illinois Education Association to administer a statewide program of virtual coaching and mentoring for new teachers. The term of the contract shall begin July 1, 2021, shall conclude on June 30, 2022, and shall not exceed \$6.5 million total during that term.

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology to deliver programming as part of the Preschool Development Grant Birth-5 scope of work. The maximum funding is not to exceed \$1,634,120.72.

*Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million – Approval of the Intergovernmental (IGA) Amendment with Illinois Board of Higher Education

The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Board of Higher Education in order to deliver programming as part of the Preschool Development Grant Birth-5. The maximum amount of the contract will not exceed \$3.705 million.

Approvals

*Approval of the Alzina Building Lease

Capital leases require both the approval of the Illinois State Board of Education and the State of Illinois Procurement Policy Board (IPPB). On May 18, 2021, the State Procurement Officer approved the renewal and a waiver was granted by the IPPB to proceed. Once the Illinois State Board of Education approves, the lease agreement will be executed.

*Approval of Revised FY 2022 Board Meeting Calendar

The State Board of Education hereby approves the revised FY 2022 dates for State Board of Education meetings.

*Approval of National Association of State Boards of Education Membership Dues
The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to renew NASBE membership for 2022 for the amount of \$42,499.00

*Acceptance Item - Fiscal Year 2020 Financial Audit Report

The State Board of Education hereby accepts the Office of the Auditor General's Illinois State Board of Education Financial Audit for the Year Ended June 30, 2020.

*Acceptance Item – Compliance Examination Report for the Two Years Ended June 30, 2020

The State Board of Education hereby accepts the Office of the Auditor General's Illinois State Board of Education Compliance Examination for the Two Years Ended June 30, 2020.

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APPROVAL OF
EXTENDED
CORRECTIVE
ACTIONS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS
CONCERNING THE
CPS PUBLIC INQUIRY

Laura Boedeker, assistant legal counsel, provided a status update on the CPS Public Inquiry.

- Dr. Leak noted that the correspondence from CPS was received just yesterday and asked whether CPS had the opportunity to send a response earlier. The answer was yes. Barbara Moore, director of Special Education, provided the details of communication with CPS.
- Dr. Benson moved that the State Board of Education hereby approves the Extended Corrective Action and Recommendations as a result of the Public Inquiry due to the need to address continued corrective action work and monitoring projects.

Dr. Leak seconded, and it passed with a five-member majority roll call vote. Mr. Guzman abstained; Mr. Eddy was unavailable for voting on this item as well as the following items until adjournment.

RATIFICATION OF SUPPORT FOR DR. CHRISTINE BENSON, NASBE CHAIR-ELECT Chair Reisberg voiced the Board's support for Dr. Benson, who then made some remarks indicating her appreciation that she is allowed to work with NASBE and thanked the Board for its support.

Dr. Lett moved that move that the State Board of Education hereby supports Illinois State Board of Education member Dr. Christine Benson as a candidate for NASBE chair-elect.

Ms. Morrison seconded, and it passed with a five-member majority roll call vote. Dr. Benson abstained.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL

Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million – Approval of Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund II (GEER II) Grant with Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (INCCRRA)

Dr. Leak moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a grant agreement with the Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies; the maximum contract total will not exceed \$12,328,942.

Mr. Guzman seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million – Approval of Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund II (GEER II): Chaddock for the Workforce Expansion Project

Mr. Guzman moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to enter into a contract with the Knowledge Center at Chaddock in FY 2022; the maximum contract total will not exceed \$2,943,260.

Ms. Morrison seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts & Grants Over \$1 Million - Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Board of Higher Education for High Impact Tutoring Program

Ms. Morrison moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Board of Higher Education to support a statewide program of high-impact tutoring to assist Illinois public school districts with COVID-19 recovery. The term of the intergovernmental agreement shall begin July 1, 2021, at the earliest; shall conclude on June 30, 2023; and shall not exceed \$25 million total during that term.

Dr. Leak seconded, and it passed with a 6-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts & Grants over \$1 Million - Approval to Release Supplemental American Rescue Plan Funds to FY 2021 McKinney-Vento Continuation Grant

Dr. Leak moved that The State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to release American Rescue Plan Homeless I funding to existing McKinney-Vento subgrantees.

Ms. Morrison seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts & Grants over \$1 Million – Approval of Learning Conditions – Statewide Trauma Response Initiative – Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Public Health Mr. Guzman asked how this work intersects with the Whole Child Committee. Krish Mohip, deputy operational education officer, and Cara Wiley, director of Wellness, talked about the alignment of terminology/definitions.

Dr. Lett moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Department of Public Health Public that will extend from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2023. The amount of the contract will not exceed \$ 11.5 million.

Dr. Benson seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million - Approval of Lanter Distributing, LLC contract amendment

Dr. Benson moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent to increase the total annual award for contract MY18842 Lanter Distributing by \$175,000 in FY 2021 and \$225,000 in FY 2022. The total annual award for contract MY18842 Lanter Distributing shall not exceed \$2.675 million for FY 2021 and \$2.725 million for FY 2022. The maximum five-year period covering activities from July 2017 – June 2022 will remain as \$12.5 million.

Ms. Morrison seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million - Approval of additional funding for University of Kansas to support the administration of the Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment (DLM-AA) to be administered in the fall of school year 2021-2022

Ms. Morrison moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent approval for additional funding of \$151,447 with the University of Kansas Center for Research for the administration of the DLM alternate state accountability assessment in the fall as part of the spring 2021 assessments.

Dr. Leak seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million - Approval of additional funding for Breakthrough Technologies to support the administration of the Illinois Science Assessment to be administered in the fall of school year 2021-2022.

Dr. Lett asked if the number of districts being accommodated by the final three items in Discussion and Approval is approximately 10%. The answer was yes.

Mr. Guzman moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent approval for additional funding of \$741,200. for FY 2022 with Breakthrough Technologies for the administration of the Illinois Science Assessment in the fall as part of the spring 2021 assessments.

Dr. Benson seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

Contracts and Grants over \$1 Million - Approval of additional funding for Pearson to support the administration of the Illinois Assessment of Readiness to be administered in the fall of school year 2021-2022

Ms. Morrison moved that the State Board of Education hereby authorizes the State Superintendent approval for additional funding of \$2,138,639 with Pearson for the administration of the Illinois Assessment of Readiness in the fall as part of the spring 2021 assessments.

Dr. Leak seconded, and it passed with a six-member majority roll call vote.

UPCOMING BOARD ACTIONS

<u>Rules for Initial Review – Part 268 (After-School Grant Program) New Program</u> Ms. Wiley provided information on this item.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Dr. Benson and Dr. Leak asked if this is a brand-new rule. The answer was yes.

Legislative Update

Hector Rodriguez, director of Government Relations, presented this update. The 2021 Spring Session has gone into overtime with both the House and Senate returning the week of June 14. The procedural motion placed on the FY 2022 budget was lifted and the bill is now considered passed by both chambers of the General Assembly. The agency tracked more than 400 bills this spring; we were opposed to 102 of them. It ended with 93 bills passing both chambers; we remain opposition to one. All of the bills related to ISBE initiatives passed both chambers either with or near unanimous support. Further, of the bills passed, 40 are new educational mandates for schools and districts; six of those are curricular mandates.

Dr. Ayala thanked the legislative team for the tremendous work it's done throughout the period.

FY 2022 Budget Update

Mr. Wolfe presented this update.

Chair Reisberg asked where the funds for several items listed are coming from. Mr. Wolfe listed the resources.

Dr. Benson asked if the items discussed are similar to a flow-through. Mr. Wolfe replied that this is uncertain at the moment, but once that information is available it will be provided to the Board.

Dr. Ayala thanked the Finance Department for its work as well. Dr. Leak echoed the thanks on behalf of the field.

Chair Reisberg requested that Mr. Wolfe discuss with approaches to the budget hearings that the Finance Department is considering, particularly in terms of whether they will be in-person or virtual. Mr. Wolfe said that this would be a decision that the Finance and Audit Committee will make.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Superintendent/Senior Staff Announcements

There were no announcements.

Chair of the Board's Report

There were no announcements.

Member Reports

Dr. Benson notified the Board about the opportunity to attend a NASBE event: New Board Member Institute. Dr. Leak affirmed the value of the event.

INFORMATION ITEMS

ISBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports Freedom of Information Act Monthly Report ISBE Quarterly Staff Demographics Report

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Leak moved that the State Board of Education adjourn the June 16 Board meeting.

Ms. Morrison seconded the motion, and it passed with a unanimous roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaime Guzman	Darren Reisberg
Board Secretary	Chair of the Board