



ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Lodge*
McDonald's Office Campus
Oak Brook, Illinois

SCHEDULE AND AGENDA OF MEETINGS June 21-23, 2001

THURSDAY, June 21

8:00 a.m.

WORK-STUDY SESSION I

The Lodge
Prairie C&D, 1st Floor

- A. NCATE 2000 Update
 - Cover
 - Transition Plan for the Implementation of NCATE 2000 Standards
 - Fifth-Year Review Process: Unit Accreditation and Program Approval(PowerPoint Presentation)
 - Illinois Fifth-Year Review Process Glossary of Terms
 - Alignment of NCATE Specialized Professional Associations with Illinois Content-Area Standards

8:45 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION

The Lodge
Prairie C&D, 1st Floor

- A. Call to Order/Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes: May 17-18
 - MINUTES OF THE WORK-STUDY SESSION I AND CLOSED MEETING (May 17-18, 2001)
 - MINUTES OF THE WORK-STUDY SESSION II MEETING (May 18, 2001)
 - MINUTES OF THE PLENARY BUSINESS MEETING (May 18, 2001)
- C. Public Participation
- D. Immediate Action Items
 - 1. NASBE Membership
 - Cover
 - 2. Rules and Regulations - Amendments to Part 25 (Certification) and Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision)
 - Cover
 - Part 25-Certification Rule Amendments
 - Part 25-Certification Rule Amendments--Transitional Bilingual Education
 - Part 1-Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision Rules
- E. Consent Agenda
 - 1. State Teacher Certification Board Appointments
 - Cover
 - Recommendations for Appointment to the State Teacher

Certification Board

- F. Announcements and Reports - Board Priority Accomplishments
 - 1. Chairman
 - 2. Superintendent
 - 3. Committees
 - 4. Members
- G. Other Business
- H. Adjourn

- 9:45 a.m. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**
Closed Meeting
The Lodge
Q Room, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. ANNUAL WORK CONFERENCE SESSION I**
The Lodge
Q Room, 1st Floor
- 12:00 Noon LUNCH**
- 6:30 p.m. DINNER/ANNUAL WORK CONFERENCE**
The Lodge
Dock Terrace
(Board may discuss business during dinner)

FRIDAY, June 22

- 8:30 a.m. ANNUAL WORK CONFERENCE SESSION II**
ALL DAY The Lodge
Q Room, 1st Floor
- 6:00 p.m. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**
Closed Meeting and Dinner
The Lodge
Q Room, 1st Floor

SATURDAY, June 23

- 8:30 a.m. ANNUAL WORK CONFERENCE**
The Lodge
Q Room, 1st Floor

OTHER INFORMATION

* All meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities.

Illinois State Board of Education

100 North First Street
Springfield, IL 62777

MINUTES OF THE WORK STUDY SESSION I
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
The Lodge at McDonald's Office Campus
Oak Brook, Illinois
June 21, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ronald J. Gidwitz
Marjorie B. Branch

Connie Rogers
Vincent J. Serritella

Beverly Turkal

Glenn W. "Max" M^CGee, State Superintendent of Education

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marilyn McConachie, Janet Steiner

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Gidwitz, who asked Judy Carmody, the staff secretary to the Board, to call the roll. Mrs. Carmody called the roll of members. A quorum was present.

Chairman Gidwitz indicated that Dr. Steiner was unable to attend the Board meeting this month. He also noted that Marilyn McConachie had been delayed due to inclement weather and would be joining the meeting later.

NCATE
2000 Update

The Chairman called for Agenda Item A., NCATE 2000 Update.

Chairman Gidwitz commented that last June the Board, in consultation with the State Teacher Certification Board, adopted the NCATE 2000 Standards as the basis for educator preparation program approval and accreditation in Illinois. He indicated that the Board meeting discussion would focus on implementation issues and timelines to assist staff in rule preparation. The Chairman also said that the rules would be addressed at the August Board meeting for anticipated approval and dissemination for public comment.

Superintendent M^CGee reported that the Board materials provided a thorough overview of activity since the adoption of the NCATE rules. He also addressed several issues that needed input and direction from the Board meeting discussion. These included:

1. Plans for use of the "Specialized Professional Associations" (SPAs) in the state program approval process;
2. The use of supplemental panels to review program areas that are not addressed by SPAs;
3. Decision options, including the role of the State Board in final decision-making on unit and program accreditation rather than the State Superintendent to whom it previously had been delegated;
4. The role of the State Teacher Certification Board and the Board of Higher Education; and

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5. The connection to the Title II accountability requirements.

The Superintendent commented that other issues that were not highlighted in the content of the Board materials but will need to be addressed, including the development of a proactive communication strategy that brings all partners and institutions along as we transition to full implementation of the NCATE Standards.

Division Administrator Michael Long provided brief background comments related to the NCATE Standards and power-point presentation (see Addendum II).

Discussion followed for clarification purposes and Board members' input. General Counsel Respicio Vazquez assisted in responding to questions.

Chairman Gidwitz expressed appreciation to staff for their work.

An audio tape of the meeting is available through the State Board office in Springfield (217/782-9560).

Adjournment The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Rogers, Secretary

Ronald J. Gidwitz, Chairman

**MINUTES OF THE PLENARY BUSINESS MEETING
and CLOSED MEETING
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**
The Lodge at McDonald's Office Campus
Oak Brook, Illinois
June 21-23, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ronald J. Gidwitz
Marjorie B. Branch

Marilyn McConachie
Connie Rogers

Vincent J. Serritella
Beverly Turkal

Glenn W. "Max" McGee, State Superintendent of Education

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Janet Steiner

Roll Call The meeting was called to order at 9:25 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Gidwitz, who asked Judy Carmody, the staff secretary to the Board, to call the roll. Mrs. Carmody called the roll of members. A quorum was present. (Mrs. McConachie joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m.)

Chairman Gidwitz indicated that Dr. Steiner was unable to attend the Board meeting this month.

Approval of Minutes Ms. Branch moved that "the State Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the May 17-18, 2001, Board meeting." Mrs. Rogers seconded the motion, and it was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Public Participation The Chairman called for Agenda Item C., Public Participation. There was none.

NASBE Dues The Chairman called for Agenda Item D.1., Immediate Action Items, NASBE Membership Dues.

Chairman Gidwitz reported that each year the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) requests the State Board's membership to be renewed. He asked for a motion to confirm the Board's continued membership in this national organization.

Motion Mrs. Rogers moved that the "State Board of Education hereby approves membership in the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) for FY 2002 and authorizes the payment of dues for membership."

Ms. Branch seconded the motion.

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Vote on
Motion

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

Ms. Branch – yes Mrs. Rogers - yes Mrs. Turkal – yes
Mr. Gidwitz – yes Mr. Serritella - yes

Certification
Rules

The Chairman called for Agenda Item D.2., Immediate Action Items, Rules and Regulations – Amendments to Part 25 (Certification) and Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision).

Superintendent M^CGee reported the following information regarding the proposed rules to address teacher certification issues.

1. The rules will establish the availability of an endorsement in "self-contained general education" and provide a list of the required coursework. This will address a problem created by the legislation that gave certificate holders an opportunity to choose to receive both an elementary and secondary certificate in exchange for a special certificate in a particular subject area. With these rules, such teachers will be able to add qualifications for teaching in a self-contained, general education program at the elementary level.
2. The rules will set forth the basis on which fees for certificate registration will be calculated, ensuring that one fee registers all of an individual's certificates for the time period it covers.
3. The rules will incorporate the requirements of P.A. 91-370 regarding examinations for certification in transitional bilingual education.
4. The rules will clarify that the time frame relative to "completion of probation" refers to probation after a period of incarceration or probation standing on its own as a sentence.
5. The rules will update various sections and make technical clarifications and clean-ups.

Discussion followed for clarification purposes, and staff members Rob Sampson and Sally Vogl assisted in responding to Board members' questions.

Superintendent M^CGee asked the Board to authorize the publication of rules relating to teacher certification for public comment and the filing of emergency rules regarding transitional bilingual education examinations.

Motion Mrs. Rogers moved that the "State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed emergency rulemaking for Certification (23 Ill. Adm. Code 25). Further, the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes, as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules."

Mr. Serritella seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Motion Mrs. Rogers moved the "State Board of Education hereby authorizes solicitation of public comment on the proposed amendments to the rules for:

Certification (23 Ill. Adm. Code 25) and Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision (23 Ill. Adm. Code 1), including publication of the proposed amendments in the Illinois Register."

Ms. Branch seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

An audio tape of the meeting is available through the State Board office in Springfield (217/782-9560).

Resolution Chairman Gidwitz called for Agenda Item D.3., Resolution for Judy Carmody (not on published agenda).

The Chairman reported that this meeting marked a significant date in the history of the State Board of Education. Judy Carmody, who has served as secretary to the Board for the past 20 years, will be retiring at the end of July. This is her final Board meeting. Chairman Gidwitz noted that Judy would be missed tremendously, and he asked that a motion be made honoring Judy's service to the Board.

Motion Chairman Gidwitz moved that "the State Board of Education hereby adopts the following resolution:

Whereas, Judy Carmody has been Secretary to the Illinois State Board of Education for twenty of its twenty-six years; and

Whereas, since her appointment to this position in August 1981, Judy has worked with 62 individual members of the State Board of Education, seven State Board chairs and innumerable Board organizational structures and committees; and

Whereas, during her tenure, Judy has also worked with five State Superintendents and four State Board Executive Assistants; and

Whereas, each and every one of these individuals will remember Judy as unfailingly gracious and polite, deeply caring about the welfare of the Board and its members, ethical and appropriate in her behavior, and calm in the midst of many storms; and

Whereas, they will also remember Judy as always cheerful and positive in answering the phone or greeting Board meeting participants, thorough and efficient in her management of details, conscientious about ensuring the quality and accuracy of the official Board records, responsive to all requests from the Board and its individual members (including last minute changes in arrangements), and tactful but firm in ensuring that the arrangements she made for Board members were appropriately carried out; and

Whereas, many will also remember Judy for her gentle reminders about overdue travel vouchers and necessary voting procedures ("roll call, please"); and

Whereas, all will attest to the fact that Judy's performance as Secretary to the Illinois State Board of Education has established the "gold standard" for unsurpassed quality and professionalism;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Judy's impact on the Board and the manner in which she has represented it will last long after her well-deserved retirement; and

Be it further resolved, that the State Board of Education expresses its deep appreciation to Judy and wishes her great happiness in the years ahead, as she is able to spend more time with her family, her friends, and her golf game. She will be missed but for her, this ending is just the beginning."

Mrs. Turkal seconded the motion.

Vote on
Motion

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

Ms. Branch - yes
Mr. Gidwitz - yes

Mrs. Rogers - yes
Mr. Serritella - yes

Mrs. Turkal - yes

(Mrs. McConachie joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m.)

Certification Board The Chairman called for Agenda Item E.1., Consent Agenda, State Teacher Certification Board Appointments.

The Superintendent stated that he wished to publicly thank the following members leaving the Certification Board for their time and effort:

Dr. Genevieve Lopardo, representing higher education;
John Baird, representing IFT;
Richard Perotte, representing IFT; and
Kathy Wessel, representing IEA.

Superintendent M^CGee reported that the terms of seven members of the Teacher Certification Board will expire, and the Board needs to appoint or reappoint individuals to serve in those seats. He recommended that the Board approve the recommendations for appointment as nominated by the sponsoring organizations.

Motion Mrs. Rogers moved that "the State Board of Education approve the following recommendations for appointment to the Teacher Certification Board as nominated by the sponsoring organizations:

Ms. Brenda Humphrey, representing IFT, returning member;
Ms. Connee Fitch-Blanks, representing IFT;
Ms. Deidre Dare, representing IFT;
Ms. Denise Williams, representing IEA, returning member;
Ms. Kay Acklin, representing IEA;
Dr. Elizabeth Hitch, representing higher education, Eastern IL University; and
Mr. Bruce Dennison, representing regional superintendents, returning member."

Ms. Branch seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Chairman The Chairman called for Agenda Item F., Announcements and Reports, Chairman. There was nothing further to report.

Superintendent The Chairman called for Agenda Item F., Announcements and Reports, Superintendent.

Superintendent M^CGee reported that at the June 20 Senate Education Committee Hearing on assessment, many positive responses were heard from people testifying and from Senators regarding the Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE). He commented that the opening presenter at the Hearing was a

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high school principal who talked about how seriously the students had taken the test – how it had really meant something to them. He also reported that he was pleased with the support of the ISAT at the Hearing – both on the panel and in the audience. The Superintendent stated that enormous gains have been made in this measure of the Illinois Learning Standards (ILS), and he congratulated staff members Lynne Haeffele Curry, Michael Dunn, Carmen Chapman Pfeiffer, Merv Brennan, and others who helped make this possible. Superintendent M^cGee commented that during the Senate Hearing, many districts reported that their curriculum is aligned with the ILS. He also stated that according to the information he heard at the Hearing, the Illinois Learning Standards are moving into the schools and classrooms.

Committees The Chairman called for Agenda Item F., Announcements and Reports, Committees. There was nothing further to report.

Members The Chairman called for Agenda Item F., Announcements and Reports, Members. There was nothing further to report.

Closed Session The Chairman asked for a motion for the Board to go into a closed meeting at various times during the next two days.

Motion Mrs. Turkal moved that "the State Board of Education go into closed session on June 21 at approximately 9:45 a.m. or immediately following the Plenary Session and on June 22 at approximately 6:00 p.m. (during dinner) under the exceptions set forth in the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois:

- Section 2 (c) (1) for the purpose of discussing information regarding appointment, employment or dismissal of an employee;
- Section 2 (c) (11) for the purpose of discussing litigation; and
- Section 2 (c) (16) for the purpose of discussing self evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member.

She further moved that Superintendent M^cGee be included in this meeting and that the Board be authorized to invite anyone else into the meeting as needed."

Mrs. McConachie seconded the motion.

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Vote on
Motion

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion passed with the following votes recorded.

Ms. Branch - yes

Mrs. McConachie - yes

Mr. Serritella - yes

Mr. Gidwitz - yes

Mrs. Rogers - yes

Mrs. Turkal - yes

The meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. and went into closed session at 10:15 a.m. The meeting recessed for the day at 3:30 p.m.

Due to a change in plans, the closed session reconvened at 11:30 a.m. on June 23 instead of June 22, with the same Board members who were in attendance on June 21.

Adjournment The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Rogers, Secretary

Ronald J. Gidwitz, Chairman