

**ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room  
100 North First Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62777**

***Special Board Meeting***

**April 16, 2004**

**Conference Call Access Number:**

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**SCHEDULE AND AGENDA OF MEETING**

**Friday, April 16, 2004**

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- 9:00 a.m.    A. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call**
- B. ISBE Assessment Contract Bidder Presentations**
- CTB/McGraw-Hill (9:05-10:20)**
  - Harcourt Assessment Inc. (10:25-11:40)**
  - Pearson Educational Measurement (11:45-1:00)**
- 1:00 p.m.    C. Adjourn**

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<u>Call Meeting to Order/ Roll Call</u>	<p>The Chair, Dr. Janet Steiner, called the April 16, 2004 Special Meeting of the Illinois State Board of Education to order at 9:08 a.m. She then requested that the roll be called. A quorum was present.</p> <p>MEMBERS PRESENT:</p> <table><tr><td>Beverly Turkal</td><td>Richard Sandsmark</td><td>Dean Clark</td></tr><tr><td>Ronald Gidwitz</td><td>Joyce Karon</td><td>Janet Steiner</td></tr></table> <p>MEMBERS ABSENT:</p> <p>Gregory Kazarian</p>	Beverly Turkal	Richard Sandsmark	Dean Clark	Ronald Gidwitz	Joyce Karon	Janet Steiner
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<u>Meeting Overview</u>	<p>Superintendent Schiller proceeded to give an overview of the purpose of the meeting. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was for the bidders of the 2006 Illinois Regular Enhanced Assessment contract to have an opportunity to present and discuss their proposals as well as allow the Board and invited members of the education community to ask questions about their proposed assessment models. Dr. Schiller then requested that Chief Legal Counsel, Respicio Vazquez, explain the presentation procedures.</p> <p>Mr. Vazquez stated that each bidder would have an opportunity to give an hour presentation on their overall assessment system and its features. He then asserted that at the end of the hour, a monitored question and answer session would take place. Mr. Vazquez proclaimed that the bidders were informed ahead of time that there would be no discussion on the specifics of costs, numbers, or budget implications as the agency is still in the process of evaluating RFP's. Therefore, he stated that certain information must be kept confidential.</p>						
<u>Presentations</u>	<p>The following is a list of the presenters, in the order in</p>						

	<p>which they made their presentations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTB/McGraw-Hill</li> <li>• Harcourt Assessment Inc.</li> <li>• Pearson Educational Management</li> </ul> <p>All bidders presented their information within their allotted time. Mr. Vazquez monitored the question and answer session as described. The Board was granted the opportunity to ask questions first and then the invited guests.</p> <p>Once the three presentations were completed, Dr. Steiner extended her appreciation to each of the bidders and stated that the business of the Special Board meeting had been concluded. Dr. Schiller stated that it was rewarding to hear from three very competitive bidders who displayed the product, capacity, and special features of their assessment systems.</p>
<b><u>Adjournment</u></b>	<p>Dr. Steiner requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard Sandsmark moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Dean Clark. The meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m. as all members present voted affirmatively to adjourn the meeting.</p>
	<p>Please contact the Illinois State Board of Education office in Springfield at 217/782-7497 for an audio tape of the meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Respectfully Submitted,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Richard Sandsmark Secretary</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Dr. Janet Steiner Chair</p>