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SCHEDULE AND AGENDA OF MEETINGS May 19, 2004

Wednesday, May 19

- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- Education Policy Planning Committee Meeting at 2:00 p.m.
- Governmental Relations Committee Meeting at 2:30 p.m.
- Board Meeting from 3:00 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, May 19, 2004

1:00 p.m.

Finance and Audit Committee Meeting

ISBE 4th Floor Board Conference Room

- FY 03 ISBE Financial and Compliance Audit (*pp. 19-20*)
- ISBE Monthly Reports (*pp. 21-36*)

2:00 p.m.

Education Policy Planning Committee Meeting

ISBE 4th Floor Board Conference Room

- Recommendation of Additional Supplemental Educational Service Providers (*pp. 1-6*)
 - West Harvey/Dixmoor School District 147
 - The Teachers Academy for Mathematics and Science
- Academic Early Warning and Academic Early Watch Lists Status Determinations (*pp. 7-8*)
- System of Support Progress Report and Year Two Plan (*pp. 9-13*)
- New Program Proposal Recommendation-Millikin University-Early Childhood Education (*pp. 14-16*)
- Review of Proposed Changes to Certification Legislation

2:30 p.m.

Governmental Relations Committee Meeting

ISBE 4th Floor Board Conference Room

- Appointment to the Board of Education for the Department of Corrections District #428 (*pp. 17-18*)
- 2004 Spring Session Update

3:00 p.m.

ISBE Plenary Business Meeting

A. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call

ISBE 4th Floor Board Conference Room

B. Public Participation

C. Approval of Minutes

- April 16, 2004 (*pp. 37-38*)
- April 22, 2004 (*pp. 39-85*)

D. Discussion and Action Items

- Approval of Additional Supplemental Educational Service Provider (*pp. 1-6*)
 - West Harvey/Dixmoor School District 147
 - The Teachers Academy for Mathematics and Science
- Adoption of Academic Early Warning and Academic Early Watch Lists Status Determinations (*pp. 7-8*)
- Acceptance of System of Support Progress Report and Approval of Two-year Plan (*pp. 9-13*)
- Approval of New Program Proposal Recommendation-Millikin University-Early Childhood Education (*pp. 14-16*)
- Approval of Appointment to the Board of Education for the Department of Corrections District #428 (*pp. 17-18*)
- Acceptance of FY 03 ISBE Financial and Compliance Audit (*pp. 19-20*)
- Acceptance of ISBE Monthly Reports (*pp. 21-36*)

E. Announcements and Reports

- Superintendent
- Chairman
- Committees
- Members

F. Other Information

- Monthly Status Report on Rulemaking (*pp. 86-87*)

G. Closed Session

- 5 ILCS 120/2 Section 2(c)(1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; and
- 5 ILCS 120/2 Section 2(c)(11) Litigation.

H. Adjourn

5:00 p.m.

Academic Improvement Award Reception

Horace Mann Insurance Company, Springfield

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May 19, 2004
State Board Meeting

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Wednesday, May 19, 2004

<u>Call Meeting to Order/ Roll Call</u>	<p>The Chair, Dr. Janet Steiner, called the May 19, 2004 Illinois State Board of Education meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. She then requested that the roll be called. A quorum was present.</p> <p>MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Turkal Richard Sandsmark Dean Clark Ronald Gidwitz Joyce Karon Janet Steiner</p> <p>MEMBERS ABSENT: Gregory Kazarian</p> <p>Dr. Steiner stated that the meeting would be a one day meeting in which the Board would discuss and take action on the presented agenda items.</p>
<u>Public Participation</u>	<p>Dr. Steiner announced that there would be public participation. She requested that Jim Craft, Executive Director of the Illinois Association for Vocational Agricultural Teachers (IAVAT) come forward to address the Board. Mr. Craft asserted that he would be sharing with the Board "The Teachers' Perspective on Agricultural Education." (Please see attachment.) He stated that the Illinois Association of Vocational Agricultural Teachers was pleased to provide the following observations and achievements of the secondary programs of instruction in Agriculture Education with regard to the present perspective:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is a continuing enthusiasm for the Agriculture Education profession.• There are multiple opportunities for the teachers' professional involvement.• There is recognition for the Illinois Agricultural Education teachers and programs. <p>According to Mr. Craft, the IAVAT's future focus will be on:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Program funding; • Teacher supply; • Mandates and Social Policy; • Agriculture Education Basics; and • ISBE Staffing. <p>In concluding, Mr. Craft announced that Dr. Schiller and Dr. Steiner would be receiving honorary FFA degree awards at the Prairie Capitol Convention Center in Springfield on Thursday, June 10.</p> <p>Dr. Steiner stated that since she has been on the Board she has learned a lot about Agriculture Education and its value. She thanked Mr. Craft for all of his hard work as well as the hard work of the others in his organization.</p> <p>Dr. Schiller asserted that he was also appreciative of the hard work. He then added that under SB 1955, certain elements of Agriculture Education are not outlined. He added that the entire division of Career and Technical Education was not included in the proposed restructuring of ISBE under SB 1955. In concluding, he urged Mr. Craft to continue to partner with ISBE in the advocating of adequate funding and recognition of the program in general.</p>
<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	Dr. Steiner requested a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2004 Special Board meeting and the April 22, 2004 Regular Board meeting as published. Dean Clark moved that the Illinois State Board of Education approve the minutes of the April 16 and April 22, 2004 meetings as published. The motion was seconded by Richard Sandsmark. Chair Steiner requested a roll call vote. The motion passed as all members present voted yes.
<u>Discussion and Action Items</u>	Dr. Steiner then announced that she would request the Superintendent to review the items for discussion and action, request a motion concerning each item, and allow for discussion before action taken by the Board on the presented items for consideration.
<u>Approval of Additional SES Providers</u>	The first agenda item was the Approval of Additional Supplemental Educational Service Providers. Dr. Schiller stated that there were two additional providers for the Board to consider approving. He stated that both of the proposed providers were being recommended for approval as they meet all the established criteria to serve as a supplemental educational service provider in Illinois.

	<p>Dr. Steiner then requested a motion to approve both providers. Joyce Karon made the following motion:</p> <p>Whereas the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires that the State Board of Education promote maximum participation of supplemental educational service providers and maintain an updated list of approved providers, I move that the providers identified on Attachment #2, namely, West Harvey-Dixmoor School District 147 and The Teachers Academy for Mathematics and Science be approved for addition to the Illinois list of approved supplemental educational service providers.</p> <p>Dean Clark seconded the motion and then inquired about the changes in the revised SES attachment. (Please see attachments.) He asked if the only change to The Teachers Academy for Mathematics and Science information was their plans to provide SES services in certain areas. Dr. Schiller responded by stating that the other change was that the academy plans to offer small group instruction four hours a week in 23 week cycles instead of eight hours a week in 20 week cycles.</p> <p>Joyce Karon stated that it wise to note that Illinois is lacking in service providers that meet the qualifications to provide the kinds of services that are currently in place. Dr. Steiner then added that it is important to “get the word out” about the need for more supplemental educational service providers.</p> <p>Dr. Steiner requested a role call on the motion to approve the recommended SES providers. As all members present voted yes, the motion passed.</p>
<p><u>Acceptance of SoS Progress Report and Approval of Year Two Plan</u></p>	<p>The next item for Board discussion and action was the Acceptance of the System of Support Progress Report and Approval of the Year Two Plan. Dr. Schiller stated that the item was presented during the Education Policy and Planning Committee meeting in detail. He the stated that staff had a brief presentation on the progress of the System of Support to share with the Board and public.</p> <p>In commencing her presentation, Lynne Curry state that a brief summary of the first year of the system was provided to the Board as a separate attachment. (Please see attachment.) She then proceeded to present information related to the first year implementation of the System of Support program.</p> <p>Dr. Curry gave a brief history of the System of Support.</p>

	<p>She proclaimed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SoS regionalization was discussed with the Board in March of 2003. • The Board approved the regional SoS plan in May 2003. • The regional providers (RESPROS) were selected and funded in November 2003. • The RESPROS have been operating through FY 04. <p>She stated that there were four System of Support elements that the RESPROS focused on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Data Analysis & School Improvement Plan Development; II. Standards-aligned curriculum, instruction and classroom assessment; III. Teacher & Administrator Enhancement; and IV. Student, Family, and Community Support Services. <p>Dr. Curry then summarized the activity that had taken place during year one of the SoS program. She report the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were over 500 districts and 5600 individuals who participated. • The schools conducted in-depth data reviews and revised their school improvement plans. ISBE standards, benchmarks, performance descriptors and the new assessment frameworks were utilized. • Specially designed Standards Aligned Classroom training was given to SoS schools. Schools that did not receive SoS assistance were also able to receive the Standards-Aligned Curriculum, Instruction, and Classroom Assessment training. • Teacher and administrator enhancements included: inventory of highly qualified teachers and placements; specialized training by the Illinois Principal's Association for SoS principals; special focus on poverty students; and Board training by the Illinois Association of School Boards to focus on academic policies and school improvement data. • Student, family, and community services were provided to over 100 districts (1600 participants) to: bolster student support systems, foster
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	<p>meaningful family involvement, and establish sustainable school/community partnerships through Full Service Community Schools.</p> <p>In concluding the year one report, Dr. Curry proclaimed that the RESPROs held regular monthly meetings to share progress and solve problems and focus on improving AYP indicators. According to Dr. Curry, the 2004 test data will be the first opportunity to gauge AYP impact.</p> <p>Dr. Curry then stated that she would like to share the Year Two Plan for the System of Support. She proclaimed that the estimated total cost would be between \$12- \$15 million (compared to about \$10 million in FY 04). Dr. Curry asserted the following initiatives will be explored by staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand and deepen work in all four quadrants with current SoS schools and districts. • Expand participation of district boards and SoS principals. • Develop and deliver specialized training for SoS superintendents with IASA. • Expand to include additional AEW status schools identified in 2003-2004 under new NCLB calculations (about 800+). • Continue to rely mainly on federal funds (Title I Accountability, Title II Statewide, and Title V Innovation). • Supplement with state funds as feasible. <p>After presenting the Year Two Plan, Dr. Curry asked if there were any questions. Beverly Turkal stated that she was very interested in the full-service schools. She inquired as to whether all schools have the same opportunities to attend trainings. Dr. Curry stated that the trainings are not just for System of Support Schools but for all schools statewide and that the trainings are available through the Regional Offices of Education. Dr. Curry stated that the ROEs are working to make sure that districts are knowledgeable about the trainings. She said they are also working to find ways to match needs in districts with the particular trainings that are being offered. Dr. Curry stated that once many school boards receive knowledge of the trainings being offered, they become really excited and begin the process. Ms. Turkal then</p>
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	<p>stated that it was really good that the Illinois Association of School Boards was involved in helping to spread the word about the trainings.</p> <p>Dr. Steiner then requested a motion to accept the System of Support Progress Report and approve the Year Two Plan. Dean Clark then moved that the Illinois State Board of Education hereby accept the progress report on Year One of its System of Support implementation, and approve the State Superintendent and staff to proceed with planning to accommodate the full range of schools eligible for System of Support services for FY 05. The motion was seconded by Beverly Turkal. As there was no further discussion, Dr. Steiner requested the roll call to vote on the motion. The motion passed as all members present voted yes.</p>
<p><u>Approval of New Program Proposal Recommendation from Millikin University</u></p>	<p>Dr. Steiner stated that the next agenda item would be the Approval of the New Program Proposal Recommendation from Millikin University. Superintendent Schiller proclaimed that he was recommending that the Board approve the Millikin University Early Childhood Education preparation program, with the stipulation that in one year the institution provide a status report and the specific information requested by the State Teacher Certification Board. (Please see motion below.) Dr. Steiner then requested a motion to approve the program recommendation. Richard Sandsmark then moved that the Illinois State Board of Education hereby accept the recommendations of the State Teacher Certification Board regarding the new program proposal from Millikin University and approve the Millikin University Early Childhood Education preparation program, including the Early Childhood Special Education approval program.</p> <p>He further stated that this approval is given with the stipulation that within one year, the institution must provide the State Board and the Certification Board with the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Evidence of a better-defined assessment system; ○ Evidence that it has renamed courses containing the special education content of Language Development and Family and Community Relationships in the course title; and

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Evidence that the proposed staffing plan has been achieved through employment of additional faculty. <p>Lastly, he proclaimed that this approval authorizes Millikin University to conduct the program as described and to recommend candidates for certification by entitlement.</p> <p>The motion to approve the new program proposal was seconded by Dean Clark. Dr. Steiner then asked for a roll call vote. The motion passed as all members present voted yes.</p>
<p><u>Approval of Appointment to the Board of Education for the Department of Corrections District #428</u></p>	<p>The next agenda item for Board discussion and action was the Approval of the Appointment to the Board of Education for the Department of Corrections District #428. Dr. Steiner stated that there were two recommended appointments to the Board of Education for the Department of Corrections District #428 and the State Board had to appoint one. She then asked for a motion concerning the appointment. Dean Clark moved that the Illinois State Board of Education approve Marva Campbell-Pruitt as the appointed ISBE designee to the Department of Corrections District #428 Board of Education to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of ISBE designee John Newsom. Richard Sandsmark seconded the motion. Dr. Steiner then requested the roll to be called to vote on the motion. All members present voted yes. Thus, the motion passed.</p>
<p><u>Acceptance of FY 03 ISBE Financial and Compliance Audit</u></p>	<p>Dr. Steiner stated that the next item would be the Acceptance of the FY 03 ISBE Financial and Compliance Audit. Richard Sandsmark then moved that the Illinois State Board of Education hereby accept the Auditor General's report, and continue to advocate for adequate funding of the agency's critical functions. The motion was seconded by Dean Clark. Dr. Steiner then allowed for discussion on the item. Mr. Sandsmark said that the audit report was thoroughly reviewed and discussed at the Finance and Audit Committee meeting that was held prior to the Board meeting. Dr. Steiner then added that the agency would advocate not only for adequate funding of the critical functions but also for personnel to carry out those functions. Dr. Steiner requested a roll call to vote on the item. As all members present voted yes, the motion passed.</p>

WHEREAS despite the many frustrations associated with their LPDC membership, these individuals have provided an invaluable service to the teachers of their school districts, to the State of Illinois, and to the improvement of the teaching profession; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the State Board of Education extends its respect and appreciation to each person who has served on a Local Professional Development Council and directs the State Superintendent to convey its gratitude to the LPDC members and chairs.

Ronald Gidwitz then inquired as to whether the agency was aware of who the committee members were. Dr. Steiner stated that their names should be filed with the Regional Offices of Education. Mr. Gidwitz then said that, if affordable, he believed the agency should give each person a certificate of appreciation. Dr. Schiller stated that while a noble thought, there were over 5,000 members. In conclusion, Dr. Steiner stated that the LPDCs have done a wonderful job and that is why the Board created the resolution in honor of them.

Dr. Steiner stated that she had a letter she would like to read. She then read the following letter:

May 19, 2004

The Honorable Rod R. Blagojevich
Governor of Illinois
207 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Dear Governor Blagojevich,

Effective May 20, 20004, I wish to resign my appointment as a member of the Illinois State Board of Education. This is a result of a professional opportunity which will allow me to utilize my educational background in a meaningful and significant manner. It is my sincere hope that the children in Illinois will always be the major focus of all the elected officials of Illinois. As you are well aware, they are the future of this state, country and world.

Very truly yours,

Beverly L. Turkal
Vice Chair
Illinois State Board of Education

	<p>Following Dr. Steiner's reading of the letter, the Board members and the Superintendent thanked Ms. Turkal for her dedication to the Board during her tenure and wished her much success in her future endeavors.</p> <p>Dr. Steiner then requested a motion from a Board member to go into Executive Session. Joyce Karon moved that the Illinois State Board of Education go into closed session under the exceptions set forth in the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 2 (c) (1) for the purpose of discussing information regarding appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee. • Section 2 (c) (11) for the purpose of discussing litigation. <p>The motion was seconded by Beverly Turkal. All members present voted affirmatively. Therefore, the motion passed. The Board went into Closed Session at that point. At 4:25 p.m., the Board came out of Closed Session and the meeting was recessed by the Chair until further notice.</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>