

**ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ILLINOIS PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

September 17, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cathy Allen
Kevin Duesterhaus
Patrick Johnson
Paul Losos
Cinda Meneghetti
Clayton Naylor
Jim Nelson
Mike Reinders
Mike Stier
Julie Wollerman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jean Anderson
Bill Beck
Tom Beck
Ray Gawron
John Hawkins
Tim Imler
Jamie Johnson
Tammi Kestel
Debora McCleary
Mike Medin
Chip Pew
Charlie Semple
Matt Snyder
Dan Thompson

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. by Cinda Meneghetti.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 11, 2013 MINUTES:

Mike Stier made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Julie Wollerman.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Legislation – Cinda Meneghetti

Cinda went over Public Act 097-556. She discussed how school bus cameras were being funded. The law states the offenders will pay fines for illegally passing a school bus. The municipalities and school districts must enter into an agreement for the reviewing of video and the split fees distributed to each. The school district will receive these monies and pay the company for equipment and installation, etc.

January 1, 2014 the new law for hands-free cell phones for drivers will go into effect.

Part 456 – Nonscheduled Bus Inspection Proposed Amendments – Cathy Allen

Cathy Allen discussed that the Nonscheduled Bus Inspection Program is in public comment until October 28th. Also, inspections can now be done on MFASB additions. SB 2 renewal form requires buses to have audio/visual decal.

ROE procedures for school bus driver training – Cinda Meneghetti

Cinda is putting together updated procedures.

Medical Declaration for Contractor SB Drivers – Kevin Duesterhaus

Clarification from S.O.S. & IDOT on medical card and NI Status; across state lines. Shortage on TB tests.

Instructor/SB Driver Electronic System – Cinda Meneghetti

No problems found in the IWAS system so far

School Bus Driver Training Curriculum Updated – Cinda Meneghetti

Cinda is going over curriculum so it can be printed. Cathy asked about the hazard lights being in use at railroad crossings; is not a law but it is in the ISBE training book. Cinda would like to get a committee together for opinions & suggestions.

Other Business – Cinda Meneghetti

Cathy Allen stated that the penalty for not having a valid Certificate of Safety & Inspection is now a monetary fine instead of a misdemeanor.

Kevin Duesterhaus discussed the issue with finger printing being coded incorrectly. Secretary of State is continuing to work on this issue with meetings around the state with all ROE's. He asked about Division One, rules at the DMV for testing requirements.

Cinda informed the committee that Jamie Johnson would be vouchering transportation claims for reimbursement on September 23rd.

Cinda also mentioned that vendors would like ISBE to recommend them to school districts for purchase of the cameras for the school buses, but ISBE is not allowed to recommend any vendors.

Motion to adjourn was made by Julie Wollerman and seconded by Mike Stier.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01.