# ILLINOIS STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

State Board of Education 100 North First Street Springfield, Illinois 62777 Zoom Meeting

> Business Meeting April 21, 2021 9:00 a.m.

## I. Procedural Business

Jennifer Naddeo

Jodi Fleck

Chairman Jennifer Naddeo called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. A quorum was present.

## **ISAC Members Present**

Stephanie Jones

Elizabeth Campos-Hamilton Bambi Bethel-Leitschuh Suzanne Lee	Lauren Proby Mary Wyman Elizabeth Conran	Kimberly McClellan Debra Vines
	ISAC Members Absent	
Keith Dronen Diane Schultz	Lauri Phillips Ancel Montenelli	Angela Baronello
	ISBE Staff Present	
Barbara Moore	Oriana Wilson	Lisa Armonda

Susy Woods

Stephanie Urish-Winter

#### **Guests Present**

Andrea Teran

#### Introductions

Chairman Naddeo welcomed ISAC members and staff and asked that they introduce themselves.

## **Adoption of Agenda**

<u>Motion #1</u> – Susy Woods moved to "adopt the agenda as is." Suzanne Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Approval of Business Meeting Minutes from February 11, 2021.

<u>Motion #2:</u> - Susy Woods moved to "approve the business meeting minutes from February 11, 2021 as is." **Bambi Bethel-Leitschuh seconded** the motion. **The motion carried.** 

# II. Public Participation: None

## III. Illinois State Board of Education Update - Barbara Moore

- 1. Illinois State Board of Education Update Barbara Moore
  - a. Student Care Department Overview
    - i. Department Presentation
  - b. Update on Various Topics: Personnel Updates
    - i. Department Additions
      - 1. Principal Consultant Equity and discipline
      - 2. Principal Consultant Specialized populations
      - 3. Principal consultant Data manager
      - 4. Principal Consultant Grants team
    - ii. Vacancies
      - 1. Special Education programing position
      - 2. Principal consultant state personal development grant
        - a. Interviewing internally for this position
    - iii. Data Updates
      - 1. State Performance Plan
        - a. Meeting with OSEP on 4/14
        - b. OSEP had no corrections
          - i. First time that had ever happened
        - c. Thank you to Jodi Fleck for all her work!
    - iv. Special Education Accountability and Support System
      - 1. New system implemented this fall
      - 2. Things are going well

- 3. Reviewing and seeing what needs to be changed for next year
- v. IDEA Part D SPDG Elevating Special Educators Grant
  - 1. Working closely with the lead and evaluator for the project
- vi. Special Education Comprehensive Plan
  - 1. Document that outlines all the different projects and initiatives that the department is doing
  - 2. No exact release date
    - a. Hopefully by the end of summer
  - 3. Document that allows staff to find everything about the department's work in one place

#### vii. IDEA Grant

- 1. Primary federal funding for Special Education
- 2. Have not yet received allocations for next year
- 3. Developed grant application
  - a. Available for public comment online
- 4. American Rescue Plan Funds
  - a. Additional IDEA funds available
  - b. Go directly to districts

viii. Charter Schools

## IV. Presentation on SPP/APR

## V. Committee Reports:

Committee reports can be found at the end of the minutes.

Access Committee - No meeting held.

Bilingual – Jennifer Naddeo and Ancel Montenelli, Co-Chairs – No meeting held.

**Comprehensive State Plan** – Susy Woods, Chair – No meeting held.

**Family Communications Committee** – No meeting held.

**Finance** – Heath Brosseau, Chair – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

General Supervision/Due Process - Beth Conran, Chair - No meeting held.

**Gifted Advisory Committee** – No meeting held.

**Legislative** Joint Meeting with **Personnel Development** – Suzanne Lee, Chair of both – See report at end of these minutes.

**Personnel Development Committee** – No meeting held.

Rules & Regulations Committee – No meeting held.

*Transition* – Dr. Bambi Betel-Leitschuh & Lauri Phillips, Co-Chairs – No meeting held.

#### VI. Old Business

- **A.** Upcoming presentations to ISAC, addressing priorities:
  - Communication and outreach
  - Transition
  - Mental health related disabilities and supports in Illinois

#### VII. New Business

- **A.** Nominating Committee
  - Nominate new Chair and Vice Chair for council
  - Susy Woods volunteered to chair a nominating committee
- **B.** Action Items and Motions:
  - Letter to Senator Castro
    - Senate Bill 2071
  - Motion to send letter to Senator Castro
- **C.** Celebrations for the good of the council
- D. Announcements

**Motion #3 – Elizabeth Campos-Hamilton moved** that "ISAC send a letter to the Senate Sponsors of Senate Bill 2071, and its respective amendments, outlining how the proposed bill may negatively affect the education of children with disabilities." **Elizabeth Conran seconded** the motion. The motion carried.

Motion #4 – Susy Woods moved that "ISAC adjourn the meeting." Elizabeth Conran seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:36am.

Minutes of Joint Meeting of Personnel and Legislative Committee April 6, 2021

ISAC Members Present: Susy Woods(Chair Legislative Committee), Suzanne Lee(Chair Rules Committee), Elizabeth Hamilton, Mary Wyman, Jennifer Naddeo, Beth Conran

Agenda: Discussion of proposed SB 2071

Participants discussed possible responses to proposed SB 2071, which relates to licensure of school social workers.

Consensus was reached that a subgroup, led by Beth Conran and including all on the call, would draft a letter to present to the full ISAC for consideration at its April meeting. The audience for the letter would be the sponsoring legislator and the content of the letter would be to identify and elaborate on areas of strength and aspects of concern of the proposed legislation.

Meeting adjourned