

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

Eisenhower Cooperative  
5318 West 135<sup>th</sup> Street  
Crestwood, Illinois 60445

**Business Meeting  
June 5, 2019  
10:00 a.m.**

**I. Procedural Business**

Chairman Jennifer Naddeo called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was present.

**ISAC Members Present**

Bambi Bethel-Leitschuh via phone Diane Blair-Sherlock Heath Brosseau Jeannine Cordero	Beth Conran Keith Dronen Suzanne Lee Kimberly McClellan	Jennifer Naddeo Lauri Phillips via phone Susy Woods Angela Baronello
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**ISAC Members Absent**

Elizabeth Keenan Sheila Stephens	Ancel Montenelli	Diane Schultz
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**ISBE Staff Present**

Andy Eulass via phone Sara Friedrich	Mary Long	Barb Moore via phone
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**Guests Present**


## **Introductions**

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

## **Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion #1** – **Susy Woods** moved to “adopt the agenda as is.” **Beth Conran** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

## **Approval of Business Meeting Minutes from May 1, 2019.**

**Motion #2** – **Diane Blair-Sherlock** moved to that “ISAC approve the minutes of May 1, 2019 as is.” **Beth Conran** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

## **II. Public Participation:**

None.

## **III. Illinois State Board of Education Update:**

### **Update on Various Topics – Barbara Moore, Director of Special Education, Special Education Services Division**

#### **Personnel**

- a. New Principal Consultants
  - Christine Wietasch – Non-Public Team 5/16/19
  - Elizabeth Hayes – Monitoring Team 6/3/19
  - Amy Deegan – Specialized Support Team (Low Incidence/DHH) 7/1/19
  - Krystina Kynaston – Dispute Resolution Team (Complaint Investigator) 7/1/19
  - Julie Vryhof – Monitoring Team 8/1/19
- b. Vacancies
  - Principal Consultants
  - Grant Reviewer
  - Monitors,
  - IEP
  - Special Populations

#### **Significant Disproportionality Update**

Federal Level says to move forward – will give us timeline. Implement 2016 zone requirements now with this year's data. Looking at all 3 issue areas (Identification w/ Racial, Education, and Discipline).

#### **State Advisory Council Training Update**

Heather Calomese working on dates and will follow up. Looking at September or October.

## **Project Updates**

- a. Results-Based Accountability General Supervision/Monitoring Update  
Project Manager helping plan out system of support.
- b. Guidance Documents  
Stakeholders to take a look at Dyslexia document. Due back from stakeholders by June 19<sup>th</sup>. Hoping to have it completed by the Directors Conference for roll out, but will definitely be available by end of summer.

Working on other guidance documents throughout department.

## **Upcoming Events**

- a. ISBE Summit  
Internal 2 day with various breakout sessions. Barb is co-presenting with Directors for one session. Cross-Training English Learners, Early Childhood, & Division Title Grants.
- b. Directors Conference July 24-26, 2019 at the Crowne Plaza, Springfield, IL  
154 Total registered at this time. Things are looking good.

**Due Process Hearing Officers (Closed Session), Andy Eulass, Due Process Coordinator**

**Motion to Go into Closed Session**

**Motion #3** – **Beth Conran** moved that “**ISAC go into closed session** Pursuant to Section 2(c)(15) of the Open Meetings Act and Section 14-8.02c of the Illinois School Code for the purpose of reviewing the recommendations made by the Due Process Screening Committee pertaining to the reappointments of the Due Process Hearing Officers for the period from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. **Susy Woods** seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. **The motion carried.**

**Motion to End Closed Session**

**Motion #4** – **Heath Brosseau** moved that “**ISAC come out of closed session** having completed its review of the recommendations of the Due Process Screening Committee for the reappointment of the Due Process Hearing Officers and ISAC end the closed session in order to take final action on the recommendations of the Screening Committee for the reappointment of the Due Process Hearing Officers for the period from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.” **Susy Woods** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

**Motion #5** – **Susy Woods** moved that “ISAC approve the 2017-2018 Annual Report as presented”. **Diane Blair-Sherlock** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

**Motion #6** – **Diane Blair-Sherlock** moved that “ISAC accept the 2019-2020 calendar as it is.” **Beth Conran** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

**Motion #7** – **Susy Woods** moved that “ISAC accept the recommendation of the Nominations Committee. The committee recommends Jennifer Naddeo as Chair and Bambi Bethel-Leitschuh as Vice Chair.” **Diane Blair-Sherlock** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

**Motion #8** – **Beth Conran** moved that “ISAC accept the recommendation of the due process screening committee in regards to the hearing officers contracts.” **Susy Woods** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

Kathleen Fuhrmann  
Jennifer Leisner (Not Renewed)  
Janet Maxwell-Wickett  
Alan Schuster  
Mary Schwartz  
Mary Jo Strusz  
Leah Trinkala  
Beatrice Diaz-Pollack (New Hearing Officer)

**Motion #9 – Diane Blair-Sherlock** moved that “ISAC send a letter to the Governor about vacancies on the Board and encouraging appointments”. **Susy Woods** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

## **Committee Reports**

Committee reports can be found at the end of the minutes. No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

*Executive* – Jennifer Naddeo, Chair – see report at the end of these minutes.

*Access* – Diane Blair-Sherlock, Chair – see report at the end of these minutes. Suzy Woods to replace Diane Blair Sherlock as Chair on this committee beginning 2019-2020 Year.

*Bilingual* –Jennifer Naddeo and Ancel Montenelli, Co-Chairs – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time. Elizabeth Conran to replace Jennifer Naddeo as Chair on this committee beginning 2019-2020 Year.

*Comprehensive State Plan* – Susy Woods, Chair – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

*Family Communications* – Beth Conran, Chair – No meeting was held, but the Website was talked about at this meeting. Information regarding changes to the website and what to add to the resources tab. Jennifer Naddeo to email Heather Calomese regarding ISBE helping with ISAC website. Beth Conran requested everyone’s help and participation to keep this website running at all times. This will be a standing agenda item for all ISAC meetings to ensure communication is happening.

*General Supervision/Due Process* – Beth Conran, Chair – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

*Legislation* – Susy Woods, Chair – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

*Personnel Development* – Suzanne Lee, Chair – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

*Rules and Regulations* – Suzanne Lee, Chair – No meeting was held so there is no report at this time.

*Transition* – Diane Blair-Sherlock, Chair – see report at the end of these minutes. Bambi Bethel-Leitschuh to replace Diane Blair-Sherlock as Chair on this committee. Lauri Phillips to be Co-Chair on this committee beginning 2019-2020 Year.

#### **IV. Old Business**

2017-2018 Annual Report  
2019-2020 Meeting Calendar  
Nominate Chair and Co-Chair  
Hearing Officer Contracts

#### **V. New Business**

This was Jeannine Cordero's last ISAC Meeting. The council thanked her for all of her help with everything and being a part of the work for ISAC.

**Motion #10 – Diane Blair-Sherlock moved** that "ISAC adjourn the meeting." **Susy Woods seconded** the motion. **The motion carried.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.**

ISAC Executive Committee Meeting  
8:00 a.m. via telephone  
May 7, 2019

**Members Present**

Heath Brosseau  
Suzanne Lee  
Jennifer Naddeo  
Susy Woods

**Members Absent**

Ancel Montenelli  
Diane Blair Sherlock  
Elizabeth Conran

**Others Present**

Diane Schultz

Chair Jennifer Naddeo called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

The agenda items were 2017-2018 Annual Report, 2019-2020 Meeting Calendar and Discuss proposed changes in the Part 25 Rules.

**Motion:** **Suzanne Lee** moved that the “Executive Committee of ISAC approve public comment to be made on behalf of ISAC on the following points in the proposed Part 25 rules:

- 1) 25.25(b)(3) – that ISAC does not support the provision of allowing teachers prepared out of state or out of country to become licensed without evidence of student teaching
- 2) 25.43(f) that ISAC does not support a subsequent endorsement provision in which individuals with a professional educator license can become endorsed in PK-21 LBSI by passing the content test
- 3) That ISAC supports options such as revising the test framework to be more responsive to curriculum and instructional needs of students with the full range of disabilities in LBSI and using short-term or emergency credentials with ongoing professional training and support.” **Heath Brosseau** second the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

**ISAC Transition Committee**

May 31, 2019 (Friday) – 8:00a.m. via teleconference

Present: Diane J. Blair-Sherlock, Lauri Phillips, Elizabeth Conran, Keith Dronen

Discussion was had on increasing attendance in subcommittee meetings, is there a way we can send reminders the day before each subcommittee meeting?

Discussed self -advocacy training as part of transitions and how we can encourage its incorporation. Beth brought up Mapping with students and how beneficial it is. Beth is going to provide the committee with some information on this. Lauri and Diane are going to work on drafting an article for the website and potentially the newsletter on these subjects.

All other matters are continued to the next Sub-Committee Meeting.

Nothing further. The meeting adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.



### **Access Subcommittee**

May 31, 2019 (Friday) – 8:00a.m. via teleconference

Present: Diane J. Blair-Sherlock, Jennifer Naddeo, Suzy Woods, Lauri Phillips, Sheila Stephens

Discussion was had on how to address obtaining timely IT evaluations and the backlogs some districts face. Schools need to provide adequate information. Some districts are hesitant about the incorporation due to the expense and funding. The lack of financial resources likely contributes to the backlog on IT evaluations. There is also concern that parents may not have the knowledge to know the tech available and schools should explain what is available to parents, as well as, provide parental training on tech incorporated.

In looking at adequate professional development for staff, the committee discussed some of the challenges for accessing. Jennifer brought up on line training ie. Infinitech available at little or no cost and can be accessed on demand provided the internet is available. The committee will try and locate some online resources and put something together for the website communications is working on.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:40 a.m.