

ILLINOIS STATE TEACHER CERTIFICATION BOARD

**Illinois State Board of Education
Springfield, Illinois**

Friday, June 13, 2003

MINUTES

Call to Order / Roll Call:

Dr. Robert E. Schiller, Chairman, Illinois State Teacher Certification Board, called the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Mr. Dennis Williams, Interim Secretary, Illinois State Teacher Certification Board, called the roll. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Dr. Robert E. Schiller, Chairman
Mr. Dennis Williams,
Interim Secretary

Kay Acklin
Marsha Allen
Ron Babcock
William Briggs
Andrew Brulle
Roger Chamberlain

Nina Dorsch
Brenda Humphrey
Elliott Lessen
Laura Lipe
Linda Tafel
Camille Taylor
Denise Williams
Eugene Zalewski

Members Absent:

Deidre Dare
Bruce Dennison
Barbara Eason-Watkins

Connee Fitch-Blanks
Nan Giblin

Others Present:

Laura Barwegen
Pauline Coffman
Allan Cook
Deborah Curtis
Ellen Crowe
Margaret Haefner

Diana Hernandez-Azcoitia
Linda Malone
Daniel Matthews
Mary Jane Morris
Lee Patton
Susan Richardson

Larry Sondler
Lynn Steffen
Larry Stonecipher
Karen Williams

Change to Agenda:

Mr. William E. Briggs moved to change the agenda of the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board to allow the Board to consider the accreditation status of MacMurray College following the review of audit findings for all other institutions and after a closed session. Ms. Brenda Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes of the May 9, 2003 Illinois State Teacher Certification Board meeting were presented for consideration. Dr. Elliott Lessen moved that the May 9, 2003 Minutes of the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board meeting be approved. Mr. Ronald Babcock seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Public Participation:

None.

Chairman's Report:

Dr. Robert E. Schiller, Chairman, Illinois State Teacher Certification Board, recognized two members of the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board, Mr. Ron Babcock and Ms. Camille Taylor, for their efforts and provided to them a Certificate of Appreciation from the Illinois State Board of Education for their outstanding service. These two Board members have completed their allowable terms.

Secretary's Report:

Mr. Dennis Williams, Interim Secretary, Illinois State Teacher Certification Board, provided information regarding the upcoming Board consideration of suspension appeals. He indicated that confirmation of the hearing date would be shared with the Certification Board members as soon as it becomes available.

Facilitation Committee Report:

None.

Items for Immediate Action:

Audit Team Findings of Institutional Reports

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that Governors State University be assigned Continuing Accreditation. Dr. Linda Tafel seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that Principia College be assigned Continuing Accreditation. Dr. Andrew Brulle seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that VanderCook College of Music be assigned Continuing Accreditation. Dr. Nina Dorsch seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that Millikin University be assigned Continuing Accreditation based on a review of the 18-month report. Dr. Linda Tafel seconded the motion. The motion passed with 12 yes votes and two abstentions.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that North Park University be assigned Continuing Accreditation based on a review of the 18-month report. Dr. Elliott Lessen seconded the motion. The motion passed with 12 yes votes and two abstentions.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that Judson College be assigned Accreditation with Conditions and requires a submission of a report within six months that addresses the unmet standards as well as any other weaknesses within that time. Dr. Andrew Brulle seconded the motion. The motion passed with 13yes votes and one abstention.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that the University of Illinois at Springfield be assigned Accreditation with Conditions and requires the submission of a report within six months that addresses the unmet standards as well as any other weaknesses within that time. Dr. Elliott Lessen seconded the motion. . The motion passed with 13yes votes and one abstention.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that Rockford College be assigned Accreditation with Conditions and requires a focus visit within two years. Dr. Nina Dorsch seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. William E. Briggs moved to enter into Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act and that staff member Marti Woelfle stay in the room as a recorder and staff member Liz Brooks remain outside on call. Ms. Kay Acklin seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Following the closed session, Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board recommend that MacMurray College be assigned Continuing Accreditation based on the review of the 18-month report and that its revised Conceptual Framework addressing the NCATE 2000 standards be submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education Conceptual Framework Panel in the Fall 2003. Dr. Andrew Brulle seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Proposed Illinois Criteria for Meeting the NCLB Requirements for Highly Qualified Teachers

Dr. Robert E. Schiller, Chairman, Illinois State Teacher Certification Board, reported that the State Board of Education had deferred action on this topic in May 2003 in order to receive broader input from many constituents and partners. He asked the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board members work to discuss this important issue and provide recommendations to the State Board of Education Board.

Ms. Lee Patton provided a brief overview of the draft recommendations for *Illinois Criteria for Meeting the NCLB Requirements as a "Highly Qualified" Teacher*.

Following discussion by the Certification Board, Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the State Teacher Certification Board recommend approval of the proposed *Illinois Criteria for Meeting the NCLB Requirements for Highly Qualified Teachers*. Ms. Marsha Allen seconded the motion. During the discussion that followed, Board members asked that the recommendations include the addition of the middle-school endorsement. The motion and additional comment passed by unanimous vote.

Need for Rulemaking – Part 25: Certification

After discussion and explanation by Ms. Lee Patton and Ms. Sally Vogl, Mr. William E. Briggs moved that these Rules be recommended for approval by the State Board of Education. Dr. Andrew Brulle seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Discussion Items / Status Reports:

Ms. Lee Patton shared information regarding the requirements for moving from an Initial to a Standard Certificate, the status of implementation of the new

Administrative Certificate Renewal requirements, an extension of time for approval of Professional Development Providers, and status of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards program.

Recognition of Retiring Certification Board Members:

A special thank you was extended by Board members to Mr. Ron Babcock and Ms. Camille Taylor for their service to the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board.

To fill the vacancies of these retiring members, the Illinois Education Association has nominated Ms. Linda Malone and Ms. Mary Jane Morris.

The Illinois Federation of Teachers has recommended that Ms. Marsha Allen be reappointed to serve a second term.

The Illinois Association of School Administrators has recommended that Dr. Eugene Zalewski be reappointed to serve a second term.

The Illinois Association of Colleges for Teacher Education has recommended that Dr. Andrew Brulle be reappointed to serve a second term.

Adjournment:

Mr. William E. Briggs moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Denise Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Illinois State Teacher Certification Board adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVED

Chairman

Secretary