


ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SCHEDULE AND AGENDA OF MEETINGS

December 15-16, 2004

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WEDNESDAY, December 15, 2004

- 1:00 p.m.** **Board Operations Committee**
9-034 James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois
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- 2:30 p.m.** **Education Policy Planning Committee**
Goodman A, Third Floor, Allegro Hotel
171 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois
Public Conference Call Access #: 1-866-297-6391 (listen only)
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- 4:00 p.m.** **Finance & Audit Committee of the Whole**
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171 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois
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THURSDAY, December 16, 2004

- 9:00 a.m.** **Governmental Relations Committee**
Goodman A, Third Floor, Allegro Hotel
171 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois
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- 10:00 a.m.** **ISBE Plenary Session**
Goodman B, Third Floor, Allegro Hotel
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- 11:30 a.m.** **Closed Session**
Goodman A, Third Floor, Allegro Hotel

1:00 p.m.

Plenary Session Reconvenes

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BOARD OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

9-034 James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois

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Wednesday, December 15, 2004

1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- Board planning for 2005
- Update on student involvement
- Annual Work Conference Planning
- Superintendent evaluation discussion
- Additional Issues

EDUCATION POLICY PLANNING COMMITTEE

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171 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois

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Wednesday, December 15, 2004

2:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- Determine a process for strategic planning for 2005
- Discuss a model for student participation with the State Board of Education for 2005-06
- Continue discussion on the focus of this committee for 2005
- Develop a meeting calendar for 2005 Education Policy Planning Committee
- Additional Issues

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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Wednesday, December 15, 2004
4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- General State Aid Discussion
- Background on Financial Watch List Criteria
- FY 06 Budget - Preliminary Discussion on Timelines
- Additional Issues

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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Thursday, December 16, 2004
9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- Wrap-up of 93rd General Assembly
- Preview of 2005 Session of the 94th General Assembly
- Cumulative Waiver Report (*pp. 27-40*)
- Additional Issues

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Plenary Business Meeting

A. Roll Call

B. Public Participation

C. Approval of Minutes: November 18, 2004 (pp. 5-24)

D. Announcements and Reports

- Superintendent's Report
- Chairman's Report
- Committee Reports
- Members' Reports

E. Closed Session/Lunch

F. Reconvene

G. Discussion & Action Items

- Collective Bargaining Matters (as needed)
- Classroom Cubed Presentation (informational presentation)
- Approval of Changes in 2005 State Board Calendar of Meetings (pp.25-26)
- Cumulative Waiver Report — Recommendation from Governmental Relations Committee (pp. 27-40)
- Update the Approved List of Supplemental Educational Service Providers (pp. 41-45)
- Mental Health Act Requirements (pp. 46-61)
- IDEA Reauthorization (informational discussion item) (pp. 62-69)
- Adoption of Part 1300 (ADA Grievance procedure) (pp. 70-78)
- Adoption of Amendments to Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition & Supervision) (pp. 79-98)
- Approval of Academic Early Warning List & Academic Watch List (pp. 99-100)
- Report Card Data Presentation (pp. 101-102)
- Agency Ethics Training Update (informational presentation)
- Monthly Status Report on Rulemaking (pp. 103-106)
- School Code Revision Update (informational presentation)
- SBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports (information only) (pp. 107-120)

H. Adjourn

Illinois State Board of Education Meeting

December 16, 2004

Hotel Allegro

171 West Randolph

Chicago, Illinois

MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL	<p>Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Chairman Ruiz asked Jean Ladage, Assistant to the Board, to call the roll. A quorum was present. Dr. Randy Dunn, Interim State Superintendent of Education, was also in attendance. Chairman Ruiz announced that the Board meeting was being webcast live over the Internet.</p> <p><u>Members Present:</u> Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chairman Dr. Christopher Ward, Vice Chairman Dr. Vinni Hall, Board Secretary Dr. Andrea Brown Mr. Dean Clark Dr. David Fields Ms. Brenda Holmes Ms. Joyce Karon Mr. Edward Geppert, Jr.</p> <p><u>Members Absent:</u> None</p>
Lawrence Hall Youth Services Presentation	<p>Janice Gould, an art teacher at Lawrence Hall Youth Services, a private school in Chicago which services children with severe behavioral and emotional disorders, gave a brief presentation in memory of Kim Knauer (former spokeswoman for ISBE). She commented that Kim truly made a difference in the lives of educators. She said that Kim had many outstanding qualities, which endeared her to teachers, principals, and superintendents. She told the Board that she has first met Kim in 1992 during the interviews for Teacher of the Year (TOY). Ms. Gould informed the Board that during her interview Kim radiated warmth, humor, and wisdom.</p> <p>Ms. Gould noted that Kim had worked with former State Superintendent Bob Leininger to create a cadre of teachers who met once a year to discuss educational issues that were important to the State Board. She commented that the reports from these meetings reflected diversity in views and opinions statewide. She noted that during one of these summer sessions, a principal took up a collection to buy airline tickets for Kim so that she could take a trip of a lifetime. She said that this generosity reflected just how much these educators thought of Kim Knauer.</p> <p>Ms. Gould presented the Board with a drawing done by one of the students at Lawrence Hall. Brenda Holmes asked that the transcript of Janet Gould's comments be shared with Kim's family and friends. (Audio compact discs of Janet Gould's presentation have been made and sent to Kim's family and friends.) The student's artwork now hangs in the Superintendent's Office area on the fourth floor of the State Board Office in Springfield.</p>

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Tom McGill, Technology Coordinator for the Lake County ROE and Learning Technology Center (LTC) director for Lake County, spoke to the Board regarding funding of the Learning Technology Centers. He passed out brochures to the Board, which described what the LTC's do and where they are located. He said that he was very concerned about what the budget cuts would mean to the future of technology programs in the schools in Illinois. Brenda Holmes suggested that Mr. McGill talk with Linda Riley Mitchell, the State Board's new chief financial officer.

Fay Sinnett, also representing the Illinois Learning Technology Centers, spoke to the Board to request their assistance and guidance/direction regarding the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) technology literacy assessment. She said that they will work with the Board to assist in anyway possible, and she thanked the Board for their time and help.

Bev Johns, representing ISELA, spoke to the Board regarding issues facing special education. She asked the Board to work with ISELA – IL Special Education Coalition – regarding IDEA 2004. She said that ISELA was ready to begin assisting the State Board, particularly regarding highly qualified teachers because the timeline is so short.

Brenda Holmes asked Ms. Johns what involvement ISELA could provide and where. Ms. Johns answered that she wanted ISBE to have a working group with a cross section of all organizations and entities that will be impacted by NCLB and IDEA 2004.

Vinni Hall commented that the Board's Education Policy Planning Committee is working on ways in which to process communication and working with groups to ensure that all voices are heard.

Katrina Paddick, Director of the Wilco Area Career Center (WACC), spoke to the Board regarding career and technical education funding. Others speaking to the Board from the WACC were Sue Ardilino, health occupations instructor, and Andy Casina, auto services instructor. Ms. Paddick said that they were attending the Board meeting today to draw the Board's attention to Career and Technical Education (CTE). She commented that CTE prepares students for not only a career but for post-secondary education – it is the leader in dual credit – the pipeline for our economy. She noted that CTE needs to remain strong at ISBE and be recognized as a valuable contributor to improving student achievement.

Jack Wuest, Alternative Schools Network, spoke to the Board regarding the Truants Alternative Program (TAOEP). He thanked the Board for their assistance and support and said he hoped to get additional funding in 2005 for TAOEP and he also offered his assistance to work with the Board in the upcoming legislative session.

John Sonnenberg, Siboney Learning Group, talked to the Board regarding e-Learning in Illinois. He requested the Board look at the substantial decrease in the technology funding process in Illinois. He asked the Board to support the Report Card improvement process and to support e-Learning and its technology programs in Illinois. Chairman Ruiz said that the State Board is working on the improvement of the Report Card process.

	<p>Peter Newell, Lieutenant Governor Quinn’s policy director, spoke to the Board regarding Cesar Chavez’s charge about service learning – connecting a school’s curriculum to community service. He noted that Mr. Chavez was a Mexican American labor leader who believed in making a difference in the community regarding the right to organize and to collectively bargain. He informed the Board that this program is very successful in Illinois this year and he hopes to expand the participation next year. Mr. Newell noted that for more information regarding this program to visit their website at serveandlearn@il.gov. Chairman Ruiz said that he appreciated this program and was lucky to hear Cesar Chavez speak when he was an undergraduate student in Champaign, and he noted that he was a “great man.”</p> <p>Ms. Osie Davenport, of Naperville, shared with the Board her views on education in Illinois regarding what is being measured and what really needs to be accomplished. She was also concerned about what messages are being sent regarding education and what messages need to be sent. Chairman Ruiz stated that Superintendent Dunn agreed with Ms. Davenport according to an article in the Chicago Sun-Times on December 15 regarding the scapegoating of special education and bilingual children and he said that unfortunately this is federally mandated but Superintendent Dunn was vocalizing her concerns. Dean Clark expressed his appreciation for Ms. Davenport’s educational knowledge due to her tenure as a member of the Naperville School Board.</p>
<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES November 18,2004</p>	<p>It was reported for the record that Andrea Brown and Dean Clark’s names were incorrectly noted in the minutes from the meeting on November 18, 2004. Dean Clark moved that the State Board of Education approve the minutes as amended for the meeting on November 18, 2004. Edward Geppert seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS Superintendent’s Report</p>	<p>Superintendent Dunn introduced the State Board’s new Chief Financial Officer, Linda Riley Mitchell. He also announced that, with the consensus of the Board, the middle grades certification timeline would be pulled for an indefinite time period. He commented that this is pursuant to additional work that will be done within the agency involving constituent and stakeholder groups. Superintendent Dunn said that this all ties in with the new way that the agency will be looking at certification “at large.”</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn also commented that he had provided the Board with the list of the schools that were waiting to be funded under the 2002 School Construction Entitlement Grant. He said that these entitlements are waiting for funding being appropriated by the General Assembly. He said that this is also the case for the school districts that are waiting for reorganization incentive funding.</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn responded to Board members’ questions regarding the timeframe of the school constructions grants saying that the these grants need to be kept alive and he noted that the legislators need to be kept informed so that this funding continues.</p> <p>He also updated the Board regarding the e-mails to the lessredtape e-mail address. He said that over 200 e-mails have been received, and these inquiries are information that the State Board can act upon. Superintendent Dunn said that this is a very positive initiative. Dr. Dunn also reported that he had visited two high schools in the last week and noted that it was such a</p>

	<p>wonderful experience to see first hand what we are dealing with and what needs to happen in local school districts. He noted that it is important to solicit input from educators and local district personnel as to what the State Board could do to help them with the issues that they are struggling with, especially regarding teacher certification and NCLB.</p> <p>Dr. Dunn also commented regarding making the School Report Card website more user friendly. He said that this is an important issue, especially for parents. He noted that there is great collaboration being established with stakeholders, especially Galya Boomer from the Illinois PTA, to make this happen. He also thanked ISBE staff for their help in this process.</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn reported that interagency collaboration is also moving along with programs such as Kid Care with DCFS, and meal programs with private day care and after-school providers. He stated that the strategic plan initiative will take ISBE in the right direction and he commented about following up on Ms. Davenport’s public participation presentation. He also spoke about IEP and NCLB – he said that conversations need to be started about these issues.</p> <p>Dr. Dunn announced that he will be formally recommending to the Board in January the inclusion of a college entrance exam as a part of the PSAE examination. He said that this recommendation would be in the format of a Request for Proposal. He recognized staff member Gayle Johnson as being helpful in the decision regarding this issue.</p> <p>Chris Ward asked about the implications regarding a Request for Proposal. Superintendent Dunn explained that this would mean that any vendor of a college entrance exam would be able to bid. He noted that nationally there are two vendors: ACT and the College Board, which publishes the SAT.</p> <p>ISBE Staff member Marti Woelfle gave the Board an update regarding NBPTS certification. She told the Board that Illinois has 413 newly inducted national certified teachers – a total of 1238 currently in Illinois. She also informed the board that there are 230 school districts with at least one national certified teacher. Ms. Woelfle stated that this program started in 1994 and Illinois was now sixth in the nation with new National Board Certified Teachers and eighth in the nation for total National Board Certified teachers. She informed the Board that \$4.6M has been provided to these teachers as an incentive.</p> <p>Randy Dunn talked about the Board’s support for this program. More information about the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards can be obtained through a website, which the State Board maintains, at www.isbe.net/profprep/nbpts.htm.</p>
<p>Chairman’s Report</p>	<p>Chairman Ruiz reported that the Thomas Lay Burroughs Award for outstanding school board president had been given to Jane Wojtkiewicz at the Triple I Conference on November 21. He said that she had displayed remarkable courage in bringing people together, turning around a school district and winning over the support of a doubting community. He also noted that he has participated in a press conference with Arne Duncan and Brian Samuels on December 2 regarding ISBE’s support of DCFS’s focus on educating the children in its care.</p>

	<p>Jesse Ruiz commented that he had visited the Prairie Crossing Charter School on December 5 and participated in an education panel discussion at the annual conference of the Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation on December 10. He noted that Superintendent Dunn and he had attended a meeting on December 15 with the Chicago Tribune editorial board, and he stated that the Ad Hoc Strategic Plan Development Committee, originally scheduled for December 16, would be rescheduled at a future date.</p>
<p>COMMITTEE REPORTS</p> <p>Board Operations Committee</p> <p><u>Members:</u> Chris Ward, Chair Dave Fields Vinni Hall Joyce Karon Jesse Ruiz</p>	<p>Chris Ward informed the Board that this committee discussed the following topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board planning for 2005: development of a Board self-evaluation process. Development of a recognition process within ISBE and also a process to recognize “best practices” in local school districts. 2. Student involvement with the State Board. Agreed to work with the Board’s Education Policy Planning Committee on this issue. 3. Annual Work Conference planning: provide professional development for State Board members and enhance relationships within the Board. 4. State Superintendent evaluation process. <p>Dr. Ward mentioned his visit to the Wilco Career Center and their local junior college in the past month. He noted that it was enlightening and refreshing to hear about the work that is being done in that specific area.</p>
<p>Education Policy Planning Committee</p> <p><u>Members:</u> Dave Fields, Chair Andrea Brown Edward Geppert Vinni Hall Joyce Karon</p>	<p>Dr. Fields reported that the group discussed a process for strategic planning for 2005. He noted that they also talked about regularly convening diverse constituent groups, as well as educational organizations, to engage in dialogue across the state regarding high-level educational concerns.</p> <p>He said that the committee also discussed a model for student participation with the State Board of Education for 2005-2006. He thanked former ISBE staff member Marilyn Holt for her presentation to the committee regarding the Board’s Student Advisory Committee (SAC). He announced that ISBE staff members Linda Jamali and Jen Saba would be the coordinators for reviving this initiative.</p> <p>He noted that the committee continued discussion on its focus for 2005, and also discussed developing a meeting calendar for the upcoming year.</p>
<p>Finance and Audit Committee of the Whole</p> <p><u>Members:</u> Edward Geppert, Chair Andrea Brown Dean Clark Brenda Holmes</p>	<p>Ed Geppert reported that the committee had the privilege of two wonderful presentations by ISBE staff members Toni Waggoner and Deb Vespa regarding school finance and background on the Financial Watch List criteria. He thanked Mark Kolaz for his help in putting these programs together. Mr. Geppert also thanked Linda Riley Mitchell, the State Board’s new chief financial officer for her presence at their committee meeting. He also noted that the committee had asked Deb Vespa for her input regarding changes to improve the Financial Watch List process. Mr. Geppert noted that there had been an initial discussion in the committee meeting regarding the FY 06 Budget. He asked the Board members to begin to look at what kind of programs they think would be priorities as far as budgeting.</p> <p>He also informed the Board that, on a personal note, he had attended the World War II Memorial dedication and said that it was a long time in coming.</p>

	<p>Mr. Geppert said that this memorial is something that the people of Illinois should be very proud of.</p>
<p>Governmental Relations Committee</p> <p><u>Members:</u> Brenda Holmes, Chair Dean Clark Jesse Ruiz Chris Ward</p>	<p>Brenda Holmes stated that the committee discussed the wrapping up of the 93rd General Assembly session and also discussed the fall veto session. She noted that the committee also discussed the preview of the 2005 Session of the 94th General Assembly. Ms. Holmes recognized ISBE staff member Nicole Wills and thanked her for her work regarding proposed legislation.</p> <p>Ms. Holmes noted that the bulk of the committee discussion centered on the Cumulative Waiver Report, which is printed in its entirety in the December Board meeting materials. She also noted that the committee would be proposing a motion later in the meeting regarding the Waiver Report.</p>
<p>Members' Reports</p>	<p>Vinni Hall reported that she had attended the Middle School Symposium and felt that it had been a very informative conference, especially the presentation by Director of Education Trust, Katie Haycock. She also noted that she had recently been a speaker for a meeting of the Chicago Council for Exceptional Children.</p> <p>Andrea Brown reported that she had attended a meeting recently of State Board and Head Start personnel in southern Illinois. She noted that ISBE staff member Kay Henderson had also been in attendance at this meeting. She also informed the Board that she attended a DCFS meeting recently and noted the importance of the partnership approach/network system of support -- which is so beneficial to the children.</p>
<p>Closed Session Motion</p>	<p>Ms. Karon moved that the Board enter into closed session under the exceptions set forth in the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Section (c) (1) for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation or dismissal of an employee;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Section (c) (2) for the purpose of considering collective negotiating matters with Board employees or deliberations concerning salaries of employees; and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Section (c) (11) for the purpose of considering pending or probable litigation against or affecting the Board.</p> <p>She further moved that the Board may invite anyone they wish to have included in this closed session.</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Vinni Hall and it was passed with a unanimous roll call vote.</p>
<p>Recess</p>	<p>The Board recessed at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:20 p.m.</p>
<p>DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:</p>	<p>The Chairman relayed the fact the no action had taken place in the closed session and the open session of the Board meeting would continue at this time.</p>

<p>Classroom Cubed Presentation</p>	<p>The Board members and audience received a presentation regarding Classroom Cubed. Special guests at this presentation were Representatives Calvin Giles and Patrick Vershchoore who voiced support for this initiative. House Speaker Michael Madigan and Katie Cox of the Speaker's staff were also thanked for their help in sharing this presentation.</p>
<p><u>CHANGE IN AGENDA</u></p> <p>Approval of Academic Early Warning List & Academic Watch List</p>	<p>Chairman Ruiz asked that there be a change in the agenda due to ISBE staff presenters being able to adhere to train departure schedules.</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn introduced ISBE staff members Connie Wise and Andy Metcalf who presented to the Board and discussed with the Board the adoption of the Academic Early Warning and Watch Lists (Districts and Schools) in accordance with requirements in the School code (105ILCS 5/2-3.25d). It was also noted that the Board is being asked to approve the removal of specific schools from Academic Early Warning Status.</p> <p>Board members' questions centered around what year(s) this data reflected, AYP, and the NCLB requirements.</p> <p>Superintendent Dunn recommended that the Board adopt the lists of schools and districts in Academic Early Warning status and the lists of schools in Academic Watch status for the purpose of complying with state law and offering schools and districts assistance. The Superintendent also recommended that the list of schools to be removed from Academic Early Warning Status be approved.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> David Fields moved that the State Board of Education hereby adopts the lists of schools and districts in Academic Early Warning Status for 2004 and the schools in Academic Watch Status for 2004.</p> <p>He further moved that the State Board approves the removal of 41 schools from Academic Early Warning Status and School Improvement Status for Title I schools as listed in the handout.</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Andrea Brown and was approved by unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>Report Card Data Presentation</p>	<p>Staff members Connie Wise and Richard Yong presented and discussed an overview of the statewide results for the 2004 school report card statewide data as well as informing the Board about the historical trends for selected report card variables. They noted that the passage of the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) resulted in significant changes to the content of the school report cards. All states are now required to produce school, district, and state report cards. Additionally, data must be reported by these categories: all public school students, students in the following subgroups; (a) economically disadvantaged; (b) students from major racial and ethnic groups; (c) students with disabilities (IEP); and (d) students with Limited English Proficiency. In response to the reporting requirements, Illinois merged the federal requirements into the already existing report card format.</p> <p>Board members asked questions and commented regarding the focus of the data collection, IMAGE, alternative assessment, and the NASBE information that is available.</p>

Approval of Changes in the 2005 State Board Calendar of Meetings

The Chairman stated that the purpose of the agenda item is to review and act upon the recommended changes to the 2005 Calendar of State Board of Education meetings. He noted that the January 12-13 meeting would be held in Springfield instead of Chicago, due to the legislative session. He also said that the June 15-16 meeting would be held in Chicago.

The revised calendar is listed below:

**ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
2005 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**

Revised

<u>January 12-13</u>	<u>Changed to Springfield</u>
February 16-17	Springfield
March 16-17	Springfield
April 20-21	Springfield
May 18-19	Springfield
<u>June 15-16</u>	<u>Changed to Chicago</u>
July	No Meeting
August 19-21	Annual Work Conference Location TBD
September 21-22	Springfield
October 19-20	Downstate (TBD)
November 16-17	Chicago *
December 14-15	Chicago

*Subject to change depending on Fall Veto Session held in Springfield.

Motion:

Chris Ward moved that the Illinois State Board of Education approve the changes to the 2005 State Board of Education Calendar of Meetings by changing the location of the January 2005 meeting to Springfield and the location of the June 2005 meeting to Chicago. David Fields seconded the motion and it was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

<p>Cumulative Waiver Report</p> <p>Recommendations from Governmental Relations Committee</p>	<p>Superintendent Dunn reported that the purpose of this agenda item is to present for initial review several proposed legislative changes that respond to certain approved waivers or modifications and are recommended for inclusion in the cumulative waiver report.</p> <p>Ms. Brenda Holmes said that she had the following recommendation to the Board from the Governmental Relations Committee:</p> <p>She moved that the State Board of Education direct staff to include the following in the 2005 Cumulative Waiver Report, which will be presented to the Board for final action in January:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a recommendation to allow the use of legally mandated school holidays as described, provided that students receive instruction appropriate to the individuals honored by the holiday; • a recommendation to allow districts to shorten the instructional day when the Prairie State Achievement Examination is administered, provided that they first accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to be applied to the shortened days; • a recommendation to communicate to the General Assembly that it consider whether to increase the maximum amount that districts may charge for driver's education; and • a summary of the issues associated with physical education waivers and modifications and the remedies that could be explored to reduce the number of requests being submitted. <p>The motion was seconded by Dean Clark and passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>Update the Approved List of Supplemental Educational Service Providers</p>	<p>Superintendent Dunn introduced staff members Ginger Reynolds and Cheryl Bradley who spoke to the Board regarding the updated list of Supplemental Educational Service Providers. They informed the Board of the results of the review of applications received from potential supplemental educational service providers.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Dean Clark moved that whereas the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires that the State Board of Education promote maximum participation of Supplemental Education Service providers and maintain an updated list of approved providers. He further moved that the providers identified on the Attachment #2, in the State Board meeting materials, be approved for addition to the Illinois list of approved Supplemental Educational Service providers.</p> <p>Ed Geppert seconded the motion and it was passed by majority voice vote. Dr. Vinni Hall went on record as opposed.</p>

<p>Mental Health Requirements</p>	<p>Superintendent Dunn introduced ISBE staff member Chris Koch and the Director of the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority, Barbara Shaw, to the Board and audience. (Dr. Shaw also chaired the Illinois Children's Mental Health Task Force.) They reviewed with the Board the progress of ISBE implementation of the Illinois Children's Mental Health Act and asked the Board to approve a plan to incorporate social and emotional development standards as part of the Illinois Learning Standards and submit the plan to the Governor, General Assembly and the Children's Mental Health Partnership.</p> <p>Discussion followed for Board member input and clarification purposes. Questions were raised regarding the consideration of the Illinois Learning Standards, and Vinni Hall voiced her approval regarding this agenda item's ability to keep kids focused and what it offers in the way of guidelines. Other Board member concerns centered on the many things that still need to be accomplished regarding this agenda item.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Vinni Hall moved that the State Board of Education approve the social emotional learning standards and the plan for implementation. She further moved that this plan be submitted to the Governor, General Assembly and Children's Mental Health Partnership. Dave Fields seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p>
<p>IDEA Reauthorization Discussion</p>	<p>Dr. Chris Koch and Jonathan Furr presented and discussed with the Board the major provisions of the IDEA Reauthorization. They familiarized the Board members with the major provisions of the legislation. Dr. Koch noted that implementation of IDEA will help to ensure that students with disabilities in Illinois are receiving appropriate services in accordance with federal law. He said that the State Board will work with the Illinois State Advisory Council on the Education of Children with Disabilities in developing recommendations for action with regard to state options and assess implications for rules revisions. Dr. Koch commented that this would commence with planning for July 2005 implementation of the Act.</p> <p>He also said that they will seek recommendations from ISAC regarding implementation issues and also prepare changes from rulemaking, ISBE publications and forms, and guidance to local education agencies.</p> <p>Board members commented for clarification purposes and to give their input. Questions were raised regarding highly qualified teachers trumping Corey H. and a request was made for a 1-2 page highlight of IDEA for legislators. Other issues were raised regarding ISAC not being able to represent the entire special education world, and Board member Vinni Hall offered up her help regarding this agenda item.</p>
<p>Adoption of Part 1300 (ADA Grievance Procedure)</p> <p>Adoption of Amendments to Part 1 (Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Suspension)</p>	<p>Staff members Jonathan Furr and Sally Vogl (via telephone) discussed with the Board the adoption of these two sets of rules.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Andrea Brown moved that the State Board of Education hereby adopts the proposed rulemaking for: Public Schools Evaluation, Recognition and Supervision (23 Illinois Administrative Code 1); and</p>

	<p>Americans with Disabilities Act Grievance Procedure (4 Illinois Administrative Code 1300).</p> <p>She further moved that the Board authorizes the State Superintendent of Education to make such technical or nonsubstantive changes as the State Superintendent may deem necessary in response to suggestions or objections of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Vinni Hall and was approved by unanimous voice vote.</p>
Agency Ethics Training Update Presentation	<p>Legal Counsel Jonathan Furr updated the Board regarding the agency ethics training. He noted that during the past month employees and other members of Boards that are related to ISBE in some way have completed the online ethics training. He commented that he had given ethics training to employees in the Springfield and Chicago offices. He noted that these sessions were helpful to employees to give them a chance to ask questions and to help them fully understand ethics issues.</p> <p>Chairman Ruiz commented that it was good to know that ISBE was in compliance with ethics training. Andrea Brown asked about contractual employees and Mr. Furr said that they will also be required to comply with the ethics training requirement.</p>
Monthly Status Report of Rulemaking	<p>Jonathan Furr reported to the Board the progress of rulemaking items that have been initiated and the projected dates for initiation of rulemaking items that are under development.</p> <p>Brenda Holmes asked for dot point list of what Mr. Furr had presented regarding Part 51 rules (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers) and Part 52 rules (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and Civil Service Employees Under Article 34).</p>
School Code Revision Update Presentation	<p>Elliot Regenstein, of the Governor's office, updated the Board regarding the School Code revision process. He told the Board about a recent meeting with representatives of the four caucuses regarding the rules review process. He informed the Board that he and Jon Furr had attended this meeting and that it was their expectation that there would be development of clean-up legislation regarding the rules review process. He noted that they also talked about larger school code issues, especially the School Code Commission's recommendations. He said that the Commission's process should not be repeated but technical edits will need to be made to the recommended revisions of the Code. Mr. Regenstein said that all parties will have to be agreeable to these edits before they are sent to the General Assembly. Board members asked to be kept informed regarding these edits.</p>
SBE Fiscal & Administrative Monthly Reports	<p>Superintendent Dunn reported that the State Board of Education Fiscal and Administrative monthly reports were for informational purposes only and he told the Board members to contact him if they had any questions.</p>

Closed Session	<p>Mr. Edward Geppert moved that the Board enter into closed session under the exceptions set forth in the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois as follows:</p> <p>Section c 1 for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation or dismissal of an employee;</p> <p>Section c 2 for the purpose of considering collective negotiating matters with Board employees or deliberations concerning salaries of employees; and</p> <p>Section c 11 for the purpose of considering pending or probable litigation against or affecting the Board</p> <p>He further moved that the Board may invite anyone they wish to have included in this closed session.</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Joyce Karon and it was passed with a unanimous roll call vote. The open meeting recessed at 4:20 p.m. and the Board went into closed session. The closed session recessed at 5:45 p.m.</p>
Adjourn	The State Board of Education meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Vinni Hall
Board Secretary

Mr. Jesse Ruiz
Chairman