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**APPROVED MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING / CONFERENCE CALL
November 22, 2002
Len B. Jordan Building, Room 302 / Conference Call**

A special meeting of the Idaho State Board of Education was held on Friday, November 22, 2002 by conference call, with several members present at the designated meeting location in Boise, Idaho. The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. President Blake Hall presided. The following members participated:

Blake Hall, President	Jim Hammond, Vice President
Darrell Manning	Rod Lewis, Secretary
Marilyn Howard, State Superintendent	Paul Agidius
Laird Stone	Karen McGee

CALL TO ORDER / AGENDA APPROVAL

MS (Hammond / Agidius): To approve the agenda as presented. *The motion carried unanimously.*

CONSIDERATION OF PENDING RULES

1. Teacher Technology Standards (08.02.02)

Staff member Randi McDermott explained that the rule changes would provide that technology competency must be demonstrated prior to obtaining an Idaho teaching certificate. Competency must only be shown one time, and all individuals who have proven competency since 1997 when the accreditation requirement was established will not be required to show competency again. Additionally, the Superintendent of Public Instruction is allowed to establish a system of waivers for this particular requirement. It was noted that no substantive changes have been made since initial Board approval in June, only minor clerical changes for correctness and clarity.

Board member Howard noted that the Idaho Council for Technology in Learning has endorsed this rule change.

MS (Hammond / Howard): To approve as pending rules 08.02.02.011 Technology Standards with changes as indicated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

2. Interim Certification (08.02.02)

Ms. McDermott explained that the State Department currently issues out-of-state certificate holders a non-renewable five-year certificate in order to meet unique Idaho certification requirements and obtain an Idaho certificate. The rule changes provide that the State Department may issue a non-renewable three-year certificate to applicants that hold a valid out-of-state certificate. It was noted that no substantive changes have been made since initial Board approval in June, only minor clerical changes for correctness and clarity.

MS (Hammond / Manning): To approve as pending rules 08.02.02.050 Idaho Interim Certificate with changes as indicated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

3. Driver Education (08.02.02)

Ms. McDermott explained that although the initial proposal included recommendations for changes to rules regarding public and commercial school, the revision regarding commercial schools are not yet ready to go forward. Comments received in writing and through two public hearings found that commercial school owners and instructors are quite apprehensive to move forward with the proposed changes, with concerns expressed regarding existing statutory requirements, dissatisfaction over their involvement in the rule drafting, and the need for ongoing flexibility to meet customer needs, among other things. The rule changes related to public school driver education are ready to go forward. The changes establish minimum standards for teen driver education and update requirements since last revision in 1996. The revisions were initiated by and follow requests submitted by districts and school officials. One comment on the public school rules was received earlier this week, and was in support of the changes. No substantive changes to the public school rules have been made since initial Board approval in June.

Board member Hall reiterated the high level of concern expressed over the commercial school rule changes and encouraged staff to work closely with commercial schools in developing future revisions.

MS (Hammond / Agidius): To approve as pending rules 08.02.02.230 related to Public School Driver Education with changes as indicated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

MS (Hammond / Stone): To direct staff to continue working with commercial school owners and instructors to update and revise licensing requirements, instructor requirements and teen driver education standards. *The motion carried unanimously.*

4. Assessment (08.02.03)

Ms. McDermott explained that references to nonpublic students participating at their own expense have been removed at the request of the House Education Committee. Additional changes to the proposed rules come from the Assessment & Accountability Commission, which recommended that all newly adopted tests (levels test and the Idaho Standards Achievement Test) be referred to as the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests, with distinctions made by grade level. Additionally, the specific allowance for 9th grade students to take the high school test has been removed, and it was clarified that the Board will establish proficiency levels for the high school ISAT. Other changes are minor and intended for correctness and clarity.

MS (McGee / Hammond): To approve as pending rules 08.02.03.111 Assessment in Public Schools with changes as indicated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

5. Language Arts Standards (08.02.03)

Staff explained that the Language Arts subcommittee met to conduct a general review of the language arts standards and to make necessary adjustments. The proposed changes are minor and include editing for wordiness and clarity, and shifting items between grade levels. No substantive changes have been made since initial Board approval in August.

MS (McGee / Hammond): To approve as pending rules 08.02.03.669 through 08.02.03.753 related to Language Arts Standards with changes as indicated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

6. Humanities Standards

Staff explained that the preamble has been revised as requested by the House Education Committee. In reviewing the standards to make the preamble change, a subcommittee comprised of State Department officials and practicing teachers proposed additional changes to ensure consistency and alignment by grade level, grammatical correctness, and to remove a separate Humanities category entitled World History, which was creating some confusion with world history provisions provided in the Social Studies Standards. No substantive changes have been made since initial Board approval in August, only minor clerical changes for correctness and clarity.

MS (Agidius / Hammond): To approve as pending rules 08.02.03.107 and 08.02.03.856-993 related to the Humanities Standards with changes as indicated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.