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**APPROVED MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
November 16, 2005
J.R. Williams Building, East Conference Room
Boise, Idaho**

A special meeting of the State Board of Education was held November 16, 2005, in the J.R. Williams Building, East Conference Room in Boise, Idaho. The meeting began at 11:00 a.m. President Rod Lewis presided and all members participated.

Rod Lewis, President
Milford Terrell, Secretary
Blake Hall (by phone)
Sue Thilo

Laird Stone, Vice President
Paul Agidius (by phone)
Karen McGee (by phone and in-person)
State Superintendent Marilyn Howard

BUSINESS AFFAIRS and HUMAN RESOURCES

Section I – Human Resources

1. University of Idaho – Appointment of Financial Vice President

M/S (Terrell/Agidius): To approve the appointment of Nancy Dunn as the University of Idaho Vice President of Finance and Administration at a salary of \$182,000 starting January 30, 2006. Motion carried 7-0 (Board member McGee was not present at this time).

President Tim White briefly summarized the resume of Nancy Dunn for the Board members.

Board member Karen McGee joined the meeting by phone at this time.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

1. Approval of Pending Rule – IDAPA 08.02.03, Rules Governing Thoroughness, High School Redesign.

M/S (Howard/Agidius): Under Tab 1, page eight, section 007.14 -- delete this reference to the "C" average. Motion failed 3-5 (Lewis, Hall and Howard voted in favor of the motion).

M/S (Howard/Terrell): Under Tab 1, page twelve, section 104.01 and 104.02 -- remove the specific grade level references for Elementary Schools and Middle Schools. Motion carried unanimously.

M/S (McGee/Terrell): Under Tab 1, page 14, section 106 -- capitalize the term "advanced placement" that appears in the definition so that it is understood it duplicates the defined term that appears under Tab 1, page seven, section 007.01. Motion carried unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to correct the typo found under Tab 1, page sixteen, section 11.d.ii so that it reads: "a student."

M/S (Howard/Stone): Under Tab 1, page sixteen, section 107.11.d.ii -- add the words "and subsequent classes" to the title so that it reads: "Calendar Year of 2007 and Subsequent Classes." Motion carried unanimously.

M/S (Lewis/Hall): To approve Pending Rule - IDAPA 08.02.03, Rules Governing Thoroughness, Sections 007-009 and 103-107, High School Graduation Standards with the following amendments: under Tab 1, page 15, Section 107.04.b - to provide for 6 credits of math; and to insert a new paragraph "c" in that same section that is a copy of paragraph "b"; and to have paragraph "c" reference students who enter 9th grade in 2009 or later, and also reference 8 credits. Motion carried 7-0 (McGee was not present for the vote).

Board member Thilo summarized the formation and the work of the Accelerated Learning and Preparation for Postsecondary Education Task Force. She indicated the purpose of the task force was to address high school reform issues and to increase the number of students prepared to enter the workforce or postsecondary education.

Board member Thilo noted that the Board approved the first reading of the Rule that incorporated the recommendations brought forward by the task force at the August, 2005, Board meeting. Since then, stakeholder meetings and statewide public hearings have been held. Based on input received from the hearings and feedback from superintendents, the task force revised their recommendations. Board member Thilo reviewed the updated recommendations for the Board members.

Board member Terrell expressed concerns about removing the C-average requirement. Board member Thilo agreed that rigor is needed at the middle school level and recommended that the Board appoint a task force to focus on the middle school requirements. Board member McGee concurred. Board President Lewis indicated he would consider taking such action at a future meeting.

Dwight Johnson, Interim Executive Director of the State Board of Education, discussed the funding mechanism for implementing the recommendations. He noted that a subcommittee of experts had been appointed to work on the matter.

Mr. Johnson reviewed the cost estimate based on full implementation by FY 2013, using a phased-in approach. There was discussion about adding an additional year to the phase-in for the math requirement.

Dr. Howard commented on funding for advanced placement and the fees associated with dual credit courses. Mr. Johnson explained that funds provided to districts for advanced learning opportunities may be used for dual credit courses, advanced placement courses, Idaho Digital Learning Academy tuition, or any other advanced learning opportunity a district chooses to offer.

Dr. Howard recommended several changes to the rule to correct typos, and for clarity.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1. Approval of Proposed Rule Amendments to IDAPA 08.02.03.103.02, 104.01, 104.02, 014.03 and 107.06: Revisions to Physical Education Requirements for Grades 1-12

M/S (Terrell/McGee): To table this item. *Motion carried 5-2-0 (Howard and Hall dissented; Thilo abstained).*

Dr. Barbara Eisenbarth of the Department of Education presented this item and requested Board support for the proposed changes to the Physical Education standards. She noted that hearings were held statewide and that support far outweighed any opposition to the proposed changes. She indicated that concerns expressed by districts were primarily related to the lack of facilities and time, and not to a need for the program. Dr. Eisenbarth noted that the recommended minimum time requirement for all levels had been decreased based on those concerns. She pointed out that the intention is to phase-in this requirement.

There was discussion about the differences between physical activity and physical education. Several Board members indicated that they were concerned that the rule wasn't clear on this point. Board member McGee suggested waiting to move forward with this effort until the details could be worked out.

Dr. Howard noted that the concern of schools at the elementary level regards capacity and indicated that the Department of Education will ask for funding to address that concern.

Board member Terrell reminded the Board that he had requested documentation demonstrating the need for this program in Idaho from the Department of Education at

the August, 2005, Board meeting. He indicated that he had not received that information.

Several other Board members agreed that students need an appreciation for life-long physical activity and noted that they would like to see this effort pursued in the future after further discussion.

Board member Terrell requested that this item be tabled until such time that the Board receives the information he requested.

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was entertained.

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m. *Motion carried unanimously.*