



**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEES OF BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
TRUSTEES OF IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY
TRUSTEES OF LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION
TRUSTEES FOR THE IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND**

**APPROVED MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 11-12, 2006
Teleconference Meeting Originating From
Lewis-Clark State College
Williams Conference Center
Lewiston, Idaho**

A regular meeting of the State Board of Education was held October 11-12, 2006 and originated from the Williams Conference Center at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho. (Due to unforeseen problems associated with travel it was necessary to hold the Board meeting by teleconference.) Board President Laird Stone presided over the meeting from the Office of the State Board of Education in Boise, Idaho. Members present were:

Laird Stone, President (Boise)
Blake Hall (Idaho Falls)
Karen McGee (Boise)

Paul Agidius, Secretary (LCSC)
Rod Lewis (Boise)
Sue Thilo (LCSC)

Absent: Milford Terrell and Marilyn Howard

October 11, 2006

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered into Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. (PT) on October 11, 2006 by teleconference. Board members Stone, McGee and Lewis were at ISU, Board member Hall was in Idaho Falls, and Board members Agidius and Thilo were Lewiston. Board member Terrell and Dr. Howard were absent.

M/S (Lewis/McGee): To move into executive session at 5:30 p.m. (PT), pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1), on October 11, 2006 via teleconference. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried unanimously.

M/S (McGee/Stone): To go out of Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. (PT). Motion carried unanimously.

In executive session, the Board (a) considered hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; (b) considered the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public

school student; (c) conducted deliberations concerning labor negotiation or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; (d) considered records that are exempt from public inspection; (e) to consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations; and, (f) considered and advised its legal representatives in pending litigation or where there is a general public awareness of probable litigation.

October 12, 2006

OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order by Board President Stone at 8:00 a.m. (PT) on October 12, 2006 via teleconference

OPEN FORUM

Doug Thompson, President of the Professional-Technical Education Foundation, Inc., gave an overview of Foundation's mission and activities. He indicated that the Foundation supports school and college programs throughout the state to stimulate, support and promote quality programs. The Foundation also supports the academic reforms sponsored by the Board, but also emphasized the importance of integrating those reforms with quality hands-on education.

Representative Donna Pence spoke to the Board about the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind recommendations to be discussed later in the agenda. She indicated that input had been gathered from stakeholders throughout the state prior to the finalization of the recommendations. She encouraged the Board to approve them.

Wes Maynard, Executive Director of the Idaho Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CDHH) spoke to the Board about the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind recommendations. He urged the Board to consider input from the CDHH as well as the possible ramifications of the education plans the Board has for the deaf and hard of hearing students in Idaho.

Paula Achter, President of the Idaho Federation of the Blind, spoke to the Board about the education programs currently available for the blind and visually impaired students of Idaho. She discussed the need for more direct services for students.

BOARDWORK

1. Agenda Review

M/S (McGee/Lewis) to accept the agenda as submitted. *Motion carried unanimously.*

2. Minutes Approval

M/S (Hall/McGee): To approve the minutes from August 9-11, 2006 as submitted. *Motion carried unanimously.*

3. Rolling Calendar

M/S (Hall/ McGee): To approve October 11-12, 2007 as the date and Lewis-Clark State College as the location for the October 2007 regularly scheduled Board meeting.

M/S (McGee/Agidius: To approve November 1, 2006 as the date and Boise, Idaho as the location for the November 2006 special Board meeting. *Motion carried 5-1 (Hall dissenting).*

Board member Hall noted that he had a conflict on November 1, 2006.

CONSENT AGENDA

M/S (McGee/Agidius): To approve the Consent Agenda as amended. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Board member Agidius asked that the item on page 4 of Tab 1 (New Position: Special Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs) be moved to the Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda. Board member Hall asked to move Tab 5 (FY 2005 Capital Budget Request) from the Consent Agenda to the Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda as well.

1. BAHR - Section I -- Boise State University -- New Positions & Changes to Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by Boise State University for fifteen (15) new positions supported by appropriated, local and grant funds; changes to title, term, salary and FTE for four (4) positions, and delete two (2) positions.

2. BAHR -- Section I -- Idaho State University -- New Positions & Changes to Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by Idaho State University for seventeen (17) new positions (15.5 FTE) and to increase the FTE on two (2) positions (2.0 FTE) supported by state, local and grant funds.

3. BAHR -- Section I -- University of Idaho -- New Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by the University of Idaho to establish six (6) new positions supported by appropriated and non-appropriated funds.

4. BAHR -- Section I -- Lewis-Clark State College -- New Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by Lewis-Clark State College for ten (10) new positions, change to one (1) position and deletion of two (2) positions supported by appropriated, local and grant funds.

5. BAHR -- Section II -- FY 2008 Capital Budget Request

This item was moved to the Regular BAHR agenda for discussion.

6. BAHR -- Section II -- FY 2007 Sources and Uses of Funds

Information item.

7. BAHR – Section II – Amendment of Board Policy Section V.J.4.c. – Travel and Moving Expenses – second reading

By unanimous consent, the Board approved for second reading the changes to Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures, Section V.J.4.c. – Travel and Moving Expenses.

8. PPGAC – Alcohol Permits Issued by University Presidents

Information item.

PLANNING, POLICY & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

1. Presidents' Council Report

President Tim White reported to the Board on behalf of the Presidents' Council. He indicated that during the last Presidents' Council meeting, they reviewed the draft policy clarifying the Presidents' Council function. It will come for first reading in December. He reported that the College of Engineering report was on the Instruction, Research and Student Affairs agenda for the Board's consideration. Dr. White noted that the Presidents had also discussed the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities related to accreditation and self-assessment.

2. Lewis-Clark State College Progress Report

President Dene Thomas reported to the Board. She introduced the new Vice President for Finance and Administration, Chet Hurst. She noted that he had been at LCSC for five years. She also introduced the new athletic director, Jerry Peconi. He is a graduate from LCSC.

Dr. Thomas provided the Board members with copies of her presentation. She discussed the institution's strategic planning process and highlighted the various activities, initiatives and programs that are in place that meet the role and mission of the institution and fall in with their strategic plan goals. She provided information related to enrollments, budget, facilities, faculty concerns, and future plans to address the institution's needs.

Board members McGee and Hall thanked Dr. Thomas and commended her for her positive leadership.

3. Agency Report – Idaho State Historical Society

Tony Edmundson, the Chair of the Historical Board, reported to the Board. He noted that the Historical Society will celebrate its centennial in 2007. He highlighted several events that are taking place to commemorate that event. He provided a historical overview of the agency and highlighted a number of history-related initiatives and programs that are in place to meet their mission of educating the people about Idaho's history. He concluded by thanking the Board for their support.

4. PTE Update on State Plan for Federal Funds – Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

Mike Rush, State Administrator for the Division of Professional-Technical Education, reported to the Board. He noted that the P.L.109-270, Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 had been signed by President Bush on August 12, 2006, reauthorizing the federal legislation for Professional-Technical Education through FY 2013. He explained that the purpose of Perkins IV is to develop more fully the academic, and the career and technical skills of secondary and postsecondary education students who elect to enroll in career and technical education programs.

Dr. Rush noted that the Division of Professional-Technical Education, acting as the administrative agent for the Board for Professional-Technical Education, is developing the State Plan in accordance with provisions of the Act for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2013 and will apply for the federal funds. The Division will present the draft plan at the Board's February 2007 meeting and will request approval at the April 2007 meeting.

5. Second Reading – Amendment to Board Policy – Bylaws, H and J

M/S (Hall/Stone): To approve the second reading of the amendment to Board Bylaws H and J.

Substitute M/S (Lewis/Agidius): To postpone consideration of this item until a later meeting. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Karen Echeverria introduced this item. Board member Lewis asked for clarification of changes based on the discussion at the last meeting. He noted a concern that people on the Audit Committee may have ties to the institutions that were being audited. He pointed to page 7 of Tab 5, "Composition", and recommended that tests for independence -- for purposes of participating on the Audit Committee -- should be similar to language found in the national standards to ensure that the Board's bylaws accomplish the same level of scrutiny. Board President Stone agreed that the independent members should be required to go through a process that allows for meeting the requirement. He noted that the specific process and related questions should either be incorporated into the bylaws or referenced.

6. Approval of Pending Idaho Digital Learning Academy Rule

M/S (Thilo/Agidius): To approve the pending Rules Governing the Idaho Digital Learning Academy. *Motion carried unanimously.*

7. Approval of MPC Bowl Alcohol Waiver

M/S (Lewis/McGee): To approve the request by Boise State University to establish secure areas under the conditions set forth in this request before us for the purpose of allowing pre-game activities for the 2006 MPC Bowl game, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Such activities to be held in full compliance with Board policies regarding alcohol usage. Additionally, that items 2-9 to be delineated as set forth as 1-8 in the proposal set forward before us.**
- 2) A secured area surrounded by a fence to control access to and from the area.**
- 3) A color-coded wrist band or pass admission system that would identify attendees and invited guests.**

- 4) Companies involved in the tent village would be sent a letter outlining the tent village/State Board of Education alcohol policy. The letter will state the minimum drinking age in Idaho is 21 and that at no time should they allow any underage drinking and/or the serving of alcohol to visibly intoxicated patrons.
- 5) Two entry points manned by security personnel.
- 6) Security personnel located throughout the controlled area will be monitoring the alcohol wristband policy and patron behavior.
- 7) Security personnel will not allow patrons to exit the area with alcoholic beverages.
- 8) MPC Bowl will be required to insure and indemnify the State of Idaho, the State Board of Education and Boise State University for a minimum of \$5,000,000 and to make sure that the proper permits and licenses are obtained.
- 9) The area is for sponsors to entertain clients/guests for the fall 2006 MPC Bowl through 2008 MPC Bowl games, including the sales and service of alcohol.
- 10) It is brought back to the Board, after the conclusion of the 2006 game, for reconsideration for 2007.
- 11) MPC Bowl will file with the Board an annual report of the Corporate Tent Village activities within sixty (60) days of the Bowl Games.
- 12) That these activities be for the four-hour period prior to at kick-off and ending at one hour after the conclusion of the game.
- 13) No alcohol making or distributing companies may be allowed to sponsor the activities or the tents.

NOTE: This motion was amended.

AMENDED M/S (Lewis/McGee): To approve the request by Boise State University to establish secure areas under the conditions set forth in this request before the Board for the purpose of allowing pre-game activities for the 2006, 2007 and 2008 MPC Bowl games, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Such activities to be held in full compliance with Board policies regarding alcohol usage. Additionally, that items 2-9 to be delineated as set forth as 1-8 in the proposal set forward before us.
- 2) A secured area surrounded by a fence to control access to and from the area.
- 3) A color-coded wrist band or pass admission system that would identify attendees and invited guests.
- 4) Companies involved in the tent village would be sent a letter outlining the tent village/State Board of Education alcohol policy. The letter will state the minimum drinking age in Idaho is 21 and that at no time should they allow any underage drinking and/or the serving of alcohol to visibly intoxicated patrons.
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- 7) Security personnel will not allow patrons to exit the area with alcoholic beverages.
- 8) MPC Bowl will be required to insure and indemnify the State of Idaho, the State Board of Education and Boise State University for a minimum of \$5,000,000 and to make sure that the proper permits and licenses are obtained.
- 9) The area is for sponsors to entertain clients/guests for the fall 2006 MPC Bowl through 2008 MPC Bowl games, including the sales and service of alcohol.
- 10) It is brought back to the Board, after the conclusion of the 2008 game, for reconsideration for 2009. This would represent a multi-year commitment of three years, provided however that the Board shall at all times have the right at any time to revoke this agreement without cause and without liability.

- 11) MCP Bowl will file with the Board an annual report of the Corporate Tent Village activities within sixty (60) days of the Bowl Games.**
- 12) That these activities be for the four-hour period prior to at kick-off and ending at one hour after the conclusion of the game.**
- 13) No alcohol making or distributing companies may be allowed to sponsor the activities or the tents.**

Amended Motion carried unanimously.

Karen Echeverria reported that the request had several changes. She noted that the amount of liability insurance was changed from three to five million, that the MPC Bowl Board will file a report within 60 days of the event and that the request is for a period of three years.

MPC Bowl Executive Director, Gary Beck, and Director of the MPC Bowl, Jim Rigsby, reported to the Board. They noted that this is the fourth year for incorporating the tent village into the MPC Bowl Game activities. They pointed out the change in the impact statement.

Boise State University President, Bob Kustra, and Stacy Pearson, Vice President of Finance, explained that BSU worked closely with the MPC Bowl and is comfortable with the request. Dr. Kustra attested that controls that are in place.

Board member Hall noted that the request is for an extended plan. He expressed concern about the Board's ability to revoke the agreement should a problem arise and suggested that specific language providing for revocation would give the Board the ability to do so.

Board member Lewis noted that the reference as to compliance was missing as was the duration of four hours before kickoff and the prohibition of alcohol making or distributing companies being allowed to sponsor the activities or tents. Mr. Beck agreed that a cut off of one hour following the conclusion of the MPC Bowl game would be okay.

Board member Lewis made a motion to approve a one-year agreement. Following discussion he agreed to amend his motion to three years with clarifying language that makes it subject to revocation.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

1. Idaho State Board of Education Report on Commonalities and Differences Among Colleges and Schools Within Idaho's Public Higher Education Institutions

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to postpone this item until the December meeting in Pocatello.

Board member McGee introduced this item. Board member Hall asked that this item be postponed until the Board members could all be together.

2. Idaho State Board of Education Report on Dual Credit Activity Within Idaho's Postsecondary Institutions

The Board discussed the report provided to them on dual credit activity within Idaho's postsecondary institutions. It was suggested that a task force be convened to further study the

implications and issues in more depth. Board President Stone asked that the Accelerated Learning Subcommittee be reconvened and that Board member Hall be added to that group.

3. First Reading, Amendment to Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies & Procedures, Section II.G.6.b.2., Acquisition of Tenure

M/S (Thilo/Stone): To approve the first reading of amendments to Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures, Section II.G.6.b.2., Acquisition of Tenure as presented. Motion failed 1-5 (Thilo voted Aye).

Doug Baker, University of Idaho reported that this request resulted from discussions that took place by the UI faculty counsel. He indicated they wanted to implement a compassionate extension of the tenure clock policy for childbirth, adoption and medical issues. There is no financial impact associated with this request.

Board President Stone referred to page 3 of Tab 3 and pointed to the sentence with the term "child rearing" in it. He asked for clarification of that term. Board member Hall suggested that the Board not approve the first reading and so that the policy could be rewritten in such a way that is clear.

4. The Deaf/Blind Education Workgroup Recommendations

M/S (Stone/McGee): To approve the recommendations of the Deaf/Blind Education Workgroup and direct staff to work with the deaf/hard-of-hearing education program administrator, and their respective transition committees to develop standards for deaf/hard-of-hearing and blind/visually-impaired education programs, and to develop a plan to transition the administration of education services and programs for deaf/hard-of-hearing and blind/visually-impaired students from the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind to the Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Idaho Council for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, the State Department of Education and/or the Idaho State Board of Education with the oversight remaining with the State Board of Education.

Motion carried unanimously.

Board member McGee updated the Board on the history of this effort. She explained that many hearings were held where interested stakeholders could give input and suggestions. Those stakeholders included the Idaho Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind, the State Department of Education and others. She emphasized that the goal of this effort is to make sure that all of Idaho's children have opportunities for an education. Randy Tilley of the Division of Financial Management noted that during the discussions it became clear it was necessary to have two FTE's to assist in the transition to the new service delivery models.

A letter from Dr. Howard, related to this item, was distributed to the Board. It will be included in the official record.

5. Update on the Just For The Kids (JFTK)

Board member Thilo presented this item. It is a follow up to a presentation made at the August Board meeting by Idaho School Board's Association President, Wanda Quinn. A handout was provided to the Board.

Board member Thilo explained that the ISBA asked the Board of Education and the State Department of Education to assess expenses related to preparing the data to be sent to JFTK beyond that which is required for No Child Left Behind and Annual Yearly Progress purposes. She noted that the ISBA proposed soliciting funds from foundations and businesses to cover those expenses as well expenses related to best practice studies.

6. Best Practice Idaho: Wallace High School Seniors in Transition Program

Board member Thilo introduced Wallace High School Counselor Robert Benfit, and Principal Gail Harding-Thomas to present information about the Wallace High School Seniors in Transition Program to the Board. They discussed how the program helps students understand and receive help to prepare for opportunities beyond high school. The program began at Wallace High School four years ago with a handful of parents who came in weekly to help junior and senior students. Volunteers help students search for scholarships, fill out federal financial aid forms, research internships, provide career counseling, and act as a listening ear for students. The group also sponsors senior night for parents and students as well as junior information sessions.

Board member Thilo commended the group. She noted that for the 2005-2006 school year, the group helped Wallace High School students secure \$200,000 in scholarship dollars. In addition, two students were accepted into the military academies.

Board member McGee suggested that WHS contact the GEARUP Program Manager to share more information related to this program.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Section I – Human Resources

1. Lewis-Clark State College – New Position – Vice President of Administrative Services

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the request by Lewis-Clark State College for one (1) position with a salary equal to/greater than 75% of the Chief Executive Officer base salary supported by appropriated funds – Vice President of Administrative Services.

Motion carried unanimously.

Board member Agidius introduced this item. It was noted that the salary amount is the same as the previous Vice President of Administrative Services was receiving.

2. BSU – New Position – Special Assistant to the Vice President (moved from the Consent Agenda)

M/S (Agidius/McGee): To approve the request by BSU for the position of Special Assistant to the Vice President of Student Affairs at a salary of \$75,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Stacy Pearson noted that the salary is in line with this position and that the method for filling the position complied with policy.

Section II – Finance

1. Boise State University – Interactive Learning Center Project

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the request by Boise State University to build out the fourth floor of the Interactive Learning Center for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 funded from interest earnings on bond proceeds. Motion carried 5-0 (Stone absent during the vote).

Stacy Pearson presented this item.

2. Boise State University – Update of Stadium Suite Project

Stacy Pearson presented this information item to the Board. She noted that the debt capacity of the university is very limited so BSU has been working on ways to finance the Stadium Suite Project. Ms. Pearson indicated that Board staff and legal counsel will be included in the planning process and that written agreements will be drafted outlining specific responsibilities and requirements. She noted that BSU hopes to bring the construction approval and financing plan to the Board in December.

There was discussion about the BAA/BSU Foundation borrowing funds in the manner outlined by Ms. Pearson. Board member Hall asked about the liability issue. Board member Lewis requested that BSU provide the different risk scenarios at that time so that the Board can make an informed decision.

3. University of Idaho – CH2MHill Sublease Amendment

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to approve an amendment to the 2004 Sublease agreement with CH2MHill, in substantial conformance to the form submitted to the Board, and to authorize the Vice President for Finance and Administration of the University of Idaho to execute the amendment documents. Motion carried 5-0 (Hall recused himself from the vote).

Board member Hall recused himself from debate and voting as a lobbyist for CH2MHill.

Lloyd Mues, University of Idaho, introduced this item. Board member Lewis indicated that it was difficult from the materials provided to determine what the monthly or annual rental rates were. He asked for clarification from Board staff. Jeff Shinn of the Board office agreed to provide the details to the Board.

4. University of Idaho – Chilled Water Service Project

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to replace the water chiller in the Educational Building, at a cost not to exceed \$700,000, using institutional funds and contingency reserves. Motion carried unanimously.

Lloyd Mues, UI, presented this item to the Board. He indicated that the intent of the university is to replace the original chiller and satisfy the cooling loads and demands of the Education Building by connecting the building to the university's central chilled water production and distribution system.

5. University of Idaho – Salmon Residential Facility Project

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the authorization to plan, design and construct a residential (dormitory) facility at the Nancy M. Cummings Research, Extension and Education Center in Salmon, Idaho, at a cost not to exceed \$1,500,000. Funds for this project are from local, non-appropriated funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Lloyd Mues, UI, presented this item to the Board.

6. University of Idaho – Idaho Public Television Memorandum of Agreement

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the University and the Idaho Public Television (Idaho PTV). Motion carried unanimously.

Lloyd Mues presented this item. Board member Lewis suggested it would be helpful to have a better understanding to know what IPTV's working relationship is with other universities. Executive Director Dwight Johnson suggested having IPTV Director, Peter Morrill speak at a future meeting to address those questions.

7. FY 2007 Budget Revisions

Jeff Shinn presented these budget revision items to the Board for their discussion and consideration.

- 1) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for Tech Help for FY 2008 in the amount of \$128,800. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 2) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for Tech Help for FY 2008 in the amount of \$89,200 General Funds, for Manufacturing Outreach. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 3) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for Tech Help for FY 2008 in the amount of \$70,800, General Funds, for Lean Enterprise Certification. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 4) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for Tech Help for FY 2008 in the amount of \$7,600, General Funds, for Salary Competitiveness. Motion carried 5-2 (Lewis and Hall dissenting).**

On this item, Board member Hall asked for clarification. Jeff Shinn noted that the request had not been completed at the time of the August meeting so it could not be included in the budget request at that time. Stacy Pearson explained that Tech Help resides at the university and that BSU had asked for additional information when they first submitted the item. That delayed them from meeting the original timeline.

- 5) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve the additional Line Item for the Idaho Council on Economic Education for FY 2008 in the amount of \$20,800, General Funds, for a**

Program Coordinator. *Motion carried unanimously.*

- 6) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for the Agricultural Research and Extension Service for FY 2008 in the amount of \$10,000,000, General Funds, for a Research Dairy Facility. This motion does not constitute approval of the facility. This approval allows the proposed budget item to serve as a place holder for the purpose of receiving a specific general fund appropriation from the Legislature for the purpose of construction of the Facility, should the Legislature choose to do so. Expenditure of these funds, and any other University funds, and proceeding ahead with the Facility by the University, must proceed pursuant to Board Policy Section V, Subsection K. Construction of Facilities.** *Motion carried unanimously.*
- 7) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for the Office of the State Board of Education for FY 2008 in the amount of \$90,000, Other Funds, for a Grant Writer.** *Motion carried unanimously.*
- 8) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for the Idaho State Historical Society for FY 2008 in the amount of \$403,600, General Funds, for Capital Outlay and Operating Expenditures.** *Motion carried 5-1 (Hall dissenting).*

For clarification, Jeff Shinn explained that the \$403,600 request is a new budget request item for FY 2008 as compared to FY 2007. It was originally requested in Replacement Capital Outlay as part of Maintenance of Current Operations (MCO). This item and the following request for \$7,800 are program additions and not replacement. They are included in the budget revision as line item 12.06 and 12.07.

- 9) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for the Idaho State Historical Society for FY 2008 in the amount of \$7,800, General Funds, for Capital Outlay.** *Motion carried unanimously.*
- 10) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional Line Item for the establishment of a new Community College system for FY 2008 in the amount of ten million dollars, General Funds, for additional state support. This motion does not constitute approval of a new community college system. This approval allows the proposed budget item to serve as a place holder for the purpose of receiving a specific general fund appropriation from the Legislature for the purpose of establishing a new statewide community college system, should the Legislature choose to do so.** *Motion carried unanimously.*

For clarification, Board President Stone asked that the motion include the word “system” and Board member Lewis asked that the motion read “a new community college system.”

Board President Stone indicated that the purpose of the motion is to have a place holder for the funds until a proposal is in place that defines what that system will look like. Board member Hall suggested using placeholder language similar to the UI Dairy Farm item.

- 11) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To urge the Idaho Legislature to include in the Public School appropriation a line item for enhanced high school graduation requirements for FY**

2008 in the amount of \$1,500,000, General Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

- 12) **M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To approve an additional item for Student Financial Aid programs for FY 2008, in the amount of \$10,000,000, General Funds, for additional needs and merit based scholarships. This approval allows the proposed budget item to serve as a place holder for the purpose of receiving additional General Funds appropriation for needs and merit based scholarships. Motion carried unanimously.**

8. FY 2006 Carryover Funds

M/S (Agidius/Stone): To approve the requests by Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College, Idaho State University Dental Education Program, University of Idaho Agricultural Research and Extension Service, University of Idaho WWAMI Medical Education Program, and Division of Professional-Technical Education, to carry over authorized but unspent funds from FY 2006 to FY 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: At this time, the Board took up discussion of Tab 5 of Consent Agenda

BAHR – Section II – FY 2008 Capital Budget Request

M/S (Hall/Lewis): The Board acknowledges receipt of the FY 2008 Major Capital Request Summary and the Board has decided not to take any action in regard to approval at this point. Motion carried unanimously.

Board member Hall discussed concerns about being asked to support the Capital Request items. He noted that by approving this item on the Consent Agenda it appeared the Board had approved the project requests. He suggested the Board should acknowledge the request but not approved or prioritized them.

Jeff Shinn explained that in August the Board had reviewed the Capital Request. In addition, a memo had been sent to the Division of Public Works notifying them that the Board had not prioritized the items.

9. Approval of Kenneth E Edmunds to the Audit Committee

M/S (Stone/McGee): To confirm the appt of Ken Edmunds as the independent member of the SBOE Audit Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Board President Stone presented the resume and qualifications of Mr. Ken Edmunds for the Board's consideration. He noted that Mr. Edmunds had no financial, business, family, or other kinds of interest, relationships or involvement with any of the Idaho institutions.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A. Superintendent's Report – Jana Jones

Dr. Jana Jones read Dr. Howard's report to the Board. As a point of information, Dr. Jones noted that Dr. Howard was receiving chemotherapy treatment and therefore was unable to attend the Board meeting. Report highlights included updates on the Department's receipt of the Special Populations grant, the Primary Math Initiative, superintendents meetings, and the FY 2008 budget request.

CONSENT AGENDA – Department of Education

M/S (Thilo/Agidius): To approve items C, D, F, G, H, and I on a Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Annual Report on Albion Elementary Hardship Petition – Tim Hill

Information item.

D. Report on Schools Requesting to Operate with Less Than Ten Students – Tim Hill

Information item.

F. Praxis II Assessment Requirements for Teacher Certification: #0069: Middle School Mathematics – Jana Jones

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to approve the request from the Professional Standards Commission to require Praxis II #0069: Middle School Mathematics for the Basic Mathematics Endorsement with the qualifying score of 145.

G. Northwest Nazarene Teacher Preparation Program Review Report – Jana Jones

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to accept the state team report as approved by the Professional Standards Commission, thus providing State Board of Education continuing program approval for the teacher preparation program at Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, Idaho.

H. Lewis-Clark State College Teacher Preparation Program Review Report – Jana Jones

By unanimous consent the Board agreed to accept the state team report as approved by the Professional Standards Commission, thus providing State Board of Education continuing program approval for the teacher preparation program at Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, Idaho.

I. Adoption of Curricular Material for the Content Area of Research Based Reading – Jana Jones

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to approve the request for adoption of Research Based Reading curricular materials and related instructional materials as recommended by the Curricular Materials Selection Committee.

B. Public Schools Budget Request for FY 2008 – Tim Hill

Tim Hill and Jana Jones summarized the Department's Public School Budget Request for the Board. They highlighted several items in the request, including, salaries, enrollment growth, professional development, technology, advanced placement and gifted education, school reform, the primary math initiative and discretionary funds.

Board President Stone inquired about the cost for the additional three days for teachers to take training. Dr. Jones clarified it can be used for professional development needs. The number indicates the amount it would take, but does not presume that every teacher will require the additional three days.

Board member Thilo asked about high school redesign and if districts will recognize that the funds are to be used for high school redesign. Dr. Jones indicated that the intent of the budget coalition was to give the districts flexibility while still meeting the requirements of high school redesign.

Board member McGee asked for time to study the budget details and to come back in December with questions and concerns. Dr. Jones agreed that would be possible.

Board member Lewis thanked the Department for their presentation. He expressed concern about some of the amounts that seem to have little accountability. He indicated that the additional information would be appreciated.

Dr. Jones asked that any questions and concerns from Board members come to her prior to the next meeting so that the Department can adequately address those issues. Board President Stone agreed that was appropriate and asked Board members to forward their questions and concerns to Dr. Jones.

E. Procedural Update Regarding Idaho Accreditation – Shannon Page

Shannon Page presented this item to the Board and highlighted the features of the planning tool. She referred to the materials provided to the Board for their review and consideration. She noted that during the 2005-2006 school year the SDE had developed and field-tested a web-based continuous improvement planning process for both districts and schools to meet the intent of the rule for accreditation.

Ms. Page discussed the quality indicators for district and school accreditation standards and highlighted the steps taken to integrate the Northwest Association of Accredited Schools accreditation standards into the Idaho system.

Dr. Jones reported that a large number of stakeholders and time were involved in developing this model. She noted that the point rating system, student achievement is rated higher than the other indicators.

Ms. Page reported that the partnership between the Department of Education and the NW Accreditation had been in place for a number of years. The standards for NW Accreditation and the Idaho Achievement Standards have been cross referenced.

Board member Lewis indicated his appreciation for the SDE report and all the efforts and coordination. He referred to the matrix and noted the differences between NCLB improvement requirements and Idaho Accreditation requirements. Dr. Jones noted that the Idaho

requirements were taken from everything that exists in Idaho rule (State Board of Education and State Department of Education).

J. Approval of "Connections 2004: Statewide Plan for Technology in Idaho" – Corey Simpson

M/S (Stone/Agidius): To approve "Connections 2004: Statewide Plan for Technology in Idaho." *Motion carried unanimously.*

Dr. Jones introduced this item. Corey Simpson provided brief background. Board member Lewis asked for clarification about coordination efforts in developing the new plan. Mr. Simpson noted that SDE is working with BSU and ISU on the plan. Some leadership from the Board staff had been provided in the past by Nancy Szofran. Dwight Johnson indicated he had communicated with Mr. Simpson about the need to have continuing dialogue to accomplish the goal of having a plan that has a K-20 focus.

K. Current K-20 Tech Plan Update – Corey Simpson

Dr. Jones introduced this item. Corey Simpson discussed the various aspects of the components and recommendations for the updated plan. He reported that the Higher Ed Subcommittee and the K-12 Subcommittee as well as, ICTL and others have been involved in the discussion. He noted that the ICTL has technology people from all throughout the state.

Board member McGee emphasized the need for the SDE and the SBOE to work closely on this. Dr. Jones indicated that the Board and the SDE are both represented on the ICTL. Executive Director Johnson noted that he serves on the ICTL and that Christine Ivie serves on the K-12 subcommittee. In addition, the new academic officer for the Board will serve on the Higher Ed subcommittee.

Corey Simpson indicated that the plan is focused on software and hardware connections and not student data collection. Board member Lewis emphasized that the focus be on the K-20 group to make sure that the students are tracked all the way through the education system. Dr. Jones indicated that the SDE has been looking for an RFP to come out from the feds for a student information management system that will focus on K-20 and is truly a cooperative effort.

OTHER BUSINESS

M/S (McGee/Agidius): To adjourn the meeting at 4:17 p.m. (PT). *Motion carried unanimously.*