



**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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**APPROVED MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE MEETING
Len B. Jordan Building
Office of the State Board of Education
650 West State Street
Boise, Idaho
September 19, 2007**

A special teleconference meeting of the State Board of Education was held September 19, 2007 and originated from the Office of the State Board of Education in Boise, Idaho. Board Vice President Paul Agidius chaired the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with a roll call.

Present:

Paul Agidius, Vice President	Sue Thilo, Secretary
Rod Lewis	Laird Stone
Richard Westerberg	

Absent:

Milford Terrell, Blake Hall, and Tom Luna

OPEN SESSION

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1. Approval of 2008 Legislation

M/S (Thilo/Westerberg): To approve the legislation relating to: clarifying procedures the Board takes after approving consolidation, deconsolidation, and boundary change requests; higher education residency requirements; student vision screening; the pure state kidney program; distribution of liquor dispensary funds to community colleges; tuition at community colleges as submitted; and, to direct staff to make revisions as necessary, and to continue with the Governor's legislative process. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried unanimously.

Board Chair Agidius noted that three legislative ideas were not approved by the Division of Financial Management and asked how the Board wanted to proceed. It was clarified by Board staff that the October Board meeting would be too late to approve them.

M (Thilo/): To proceed with developing legislation related to the High Need Educator Stipend program. The motion died for lack of a second.

Mike Rush, Acting Executive Director of the State Board of Education, provided a brief explanation regarding the other two pieces of recommended legislation. He indicated that one had to do with the postsecondary education projects from the University of Idaho, and the second would provide an exemption for BSU, ISU, and LCSC from certain regulations under public works. Dr. Rush noted that conversations with the Governor's office regarding both pieces of legislation were ongoing. He suggested that the Board direct staff to continue working with the Governor's office on those two proposals with the understanding it wouldn't obligate the Board to approve them.

M/S (Lewis/Stone): To direct Board staff to continue to work on the two remaining pieces of legislation, in concert with the Governor's Office, with the understanding that these items would be brought back before the Board for further consideration at a future date. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried 4-0-1 (Thilo abstained).

2. Waiver of IDAPA 08-0203-0111 (Second Grade ISAT Testing) for School Year 2007-2008

M/S (Thilo/Westerberg): To waive the requirements for second grade ISAT testing for school year 2007-2008. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried unanimously.

3. Personnel – Appointment of Interim Executive Director

M/S (Stone/Thilo): To appoint Dr. Michael Rush as the Interim Executive Director for the State Board of Education, effective September 12, 2007. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried unanimously.

Board Chair Agidius clarified that the appointment of Dr. Rush as Interim Executive Director did not negate or rescind Dr. Rush's current appointment as the State Administrator of the Division of Professional-Technical Education. He asked that it be so noted in the minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

M/S (Agidius/Thilo): To enter into executive session at 10:30 a.m. pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1), the State Board of Education, in order to discuss one or more of the following: (a) to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; (b) to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student; (c) to conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; (d) to consider records that are exempt by law from public inspection; (f) to consider and advise its legal representatives in pending litigation or where there is a general public awareness of probable litigation.

In executive session, the Board did one or more of the following: (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 of 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; (f) considered and advised its legal representatives in pending litigation or where there is a general public awareness of probable litigation.