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**APPROVED MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 28, 2011
Special Teleconference Meeting
Boise, ID**

A special teleconference meeting of the State Board of Education was held January 28, 2011. It originated from the Board office in Boise Idaho. Board President Richard Westerberg presided and called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A roll call of members was taken.

Present:

Richard Westerberg, President
Don Soltman, Secretary
Rod Lewis
Milford Terrell

Ken Edmunds, Vice President
Paul Agidius
Emma Atchley

State Superintendent Tom Luna (joined the meeting following the roll call)

PLANNING, POLICY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

1. Review and Discuss Existing and Potential Legislation Affecting Public Education

- ***Students Come First Proposed Legislation: Labor and Entitlements & Modernization and Reform***

State Superintendent Tom Luna presented the background details related to the two bills the Department of Education plans to have introduced this session. They both relate to Mr. Luna's proposed education reform of Idaho's K-12 system.

Mr. Luna reported that the two pieces of legislation go together and will be introduced at the same time. They encompass the majority of what he previously presented to the Legislature. Mr. Luna explained that reason for two bills is because the Attorney General's office indicated it was best to separate the finance section from the labor negotiations section. Mr. Luna pointed out to the Board members that a narrative is included with each proposal. It may be helpful to the Board members in understanding what is included in the proposed legislation. Mr. Luna indicated that a couple of trailer bills will follow. One has to do with consolidation and the other with purchasing.

Board President Westerberg noted that it will take a bit of time to read through the proposed legislation. The Board members agreed to discuss the legislation further at their meeting on February 4.

- *SB1023 – Charter School Founder Designation*

Tracie Bent of the Board office presented this item. She explained that the purpose of the legislation is to amend Idaho Code to clarify the official designation of a charter school founder. She pointed out that Board staff has not received any communication from the charter schools related to this legislation as far as the Board taking a position.

- *SB2034 – Public University Technology Transfer*

Tracie Bent presented this item. She explained that this bill seeks to speed the introduction of technologies developed at Idaho colleges and universities. She pointed out that the Board already has the authority to do this.

There was some discussion about the necessity of this legislation in light of the fact that this bill doesn't add or take away from the Board's current authority. Matt Freeman of the Board office indicated that Board staff plans to visit to the bill's sponsors on that point.

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

M/S (Agidius/Atchley): To adjourn at 3:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.