1. **Agenda Approval**

Changes or additions to the agenda

**BOARD ACTION**

-I move to approve the agenda as submitted.

2. **Minutes Approval**

**BOARD ACTION**

-I move to approve the minutes from the June 19-20, 2013 Regular Board Meeting and July 24, 2013 Special Board Meeting as submitted.

3. **Rolling Calendar**

**BOARD ACTION**

-I move to set August 13-14, 2014 as the date and the Idaho State University as the location for the August 2014 regularly scheduled Board meeting.
A regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Education was held June 19-20, 2013 at the College of Southern Idaho, Herrett Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Present:
Don Soltman, President             Milford Terrell
Emma Atchley, Vice President      Bill Goesling
Richard Westerberg                 Tom Luna, State Superintendent

Absent:
Rod Lewis, Secretary
Ken Edmunds

Wednesday, June 19, 2013

The Board met in the Herrett Center at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, Idaho. Board President Don Soltman called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. Board member Edmunds joined the meeting intermittently via conference call. Board member Lewis was unable to attend.

BOARDWORK

1. Agenda Review / Approval

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Atchley/Westerberg): To approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

2. Minutes Review / Approval

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Atchley/Westerberg): To approve the minutes from the April 17-18 regular Board meeting, the May 2, 2013 special Board meeting, and the May 15-16, 2013 Board retreat, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

3. Rolling Calendar

BOARD ACTION

BOARDWORK
M/S (Atchley/Terrell): To set May 14-15, 2014 as the date and Boise, Idaho as the location for the 2014 Board Retreat and to set June 18-19, 2014 as the date and the Eastern Idaho Technical College as the location for the June 2014 regularly scheduled Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

WORKSESSION

A. Program Prioritization Process

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the program prioritization proposal for Idaho State University as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the program prioritization proposal for Boise State University as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the program prioritization proposal for University of Idaho as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Westerberg introduced the work session discussion and encouraged feedback from Board members to benefit the institutions. He also recommended the Board make a motion for each of the institutions on whether or not they support the program prioritization proposals as presented. Mr. Westerberg introduced Ms. Selena Grace from the Board office to provide an overview from the Board retreat and revisited recommendations on the program prioritization session with Dr. Dickeson. She reminded the Board members of the list of criteria they were to consider and pointed out the three criteria that emerged from the retreat discussion included external demand, quality of outcomes, and costs and expenses. She also reminded the Board members of the top five needs identified from the retreat work session for Idaho’s system. The first was funding, resources and sustainability, the second was scholarships and funding/financial aid, the third was advocacy by the Board and public and legislative understanding, the fourth was retention, completion and student success, and the fifth was greater efficiencies. Item two was tied with item three in votes and item four was tied with item five in votes.

She reiterated the purpose of the mission statement and that it should provide purpose and give direction to the institution. Ms. Grace also highlighted the key areas the mission statement impacts. She quoted Dr. Dickeson in stating the mission is the academic grid against which all evaluation of programs must be measured. Adding it is important in various cases to reexamine and revise the mission statement, and in all cases to reaffirm it. Ms. Grace indicated that Idaho State University (ISU), Boise State University (BSU), University of Idaho (UI) and Lewis-Clark State College (LCSC) would be coming forward with their recommendations for program prioritization. Mr. Westerberg encouraged the Board members to provide direction and feedback to the institutions during their presentations.

Mr. Fletcher provided a summary on what ISU expects to achieve with their program prioritization. Their plan will include six key variables on the academic side and six key variables on the non-academic side. Their process is being done in a unified manner and they have established two key objectives. The first objective is to fund an ongoing university-wide compensation plan for faculty and staff. The second objective is to fund ongoing student programs. Mr. Fletcher indicated the finance and administration, and institutional research functions are currently in the process of generating income/expense statements for all academic programs and non-academic units. He then summarized how the process will proceed in four phases.

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Laura Woodworth-Ney, outlined ISU’s program prioritization process and how it aligns with Dr. Dickeson’s criteria and ISU’s viability indicators. She...
pointed out the six criteria used to evaluate programs are also aligned with ISU’s core themes. They are presently working to provide preliminary reports and the institution deans will be provided with the results material within a month. They intend to have workshops throughout the summer for putting the program prioritization in place.

Mr. Fletcher indicated ISU has assessed the experiences of five other higher education institutions and identified that surveys were used to assess key non-academic program prioritization factors. Mr. Fletcher explained their scoring schedule for ranking and weighting programs and that they would be using a quintile system and five-point scale. In summary, Mr. Fletcher indicated this process should provide greater infusion of performance measurement metrics into institutional budgeting decisions, provide better support for students, and is in conformance with Board mandates, the Governor’s ZBB initiatives, and with ISU’s strategic plan and accreditation.

Mr. Terrell asked for clarification on how they will weigh the criteria for prioritization. Dr. Woodworth-Ney responded that they are in the process of setting viability indicators presently and explained how they would be looking at the various academic and non-academic programs; and summarily that this program prioritization process is in its elementary stages. They are also examining how to address the need that does exist in the market for programs that may not weigh well and are working to identify ways to repurpose those programs and still provide options for the effected student population. Mr. Soltman asked if there was any feedback from the deans or chairs. Dr. Woodworth-Ney responded that there has been some feedback and in reviewing the program data, it will give the deans some flexibility where it didn’t exist before, and provide a better picture of the programs. Mr. Luna asked if there was pre-notification for students on the kinds of jobs a degree would direct them toward and how students are informed on their choices. Dr. Woodworth-Ney responded they are implementing advising changes which includes doing far more than advising on just curriculum; they will be advising on items such as financial aid to job market and employment data.

Mr. Westerberg recommended a robust communication plan for all institutions in communicating with staff and the Board on this program prioritization process.

Dr. Schimpf provided an overview from BSU. He started by saying they feel with Dr. Dickeson’s direction, BSU will increase efficiencies and alignment of resources with this prioritization process. He described how BSU intends to use this process to evaluate academic and non-academic activities, and that along with using new resources it will also be an opportunity to reallocate resources. They will evaluate based on weighted criteria determined by faculty and staff. The programs will then be distributed into one of five quintiles. Dr. Schimpf provided a bit of funding history on the institution and clarified that the end result in this prioritization process will be to minimize costs and maximize benefits. They intend to use existing processes and data sets and fold them into initiatives currently underway. Dr. Schimpf outlined one pitfall of prioritization which is faculty and staff morale. He indicated this is a large concern for BSU and should be for all institutions as the program prioritization process will generate questions of the ability to retain top quality faculty and staff.

Dr. Schimpf went on to discuss the process which will include establishing a Program Prioritization Committee, gathering or generating data, verifying data and scoring criteria according to previously established rating mechanism. At this point, the deans, provosts and vice presidents will equally distribute the programs into quintiles. Rankings will be published along with recommendations for new efficiencies, hearings will be conducted, information will be reviewed by provosts and vice presidents and the final rankings will be published and forwarded to the president. Once the programs are forwarded, the president will work with the Program Prioritization Committee and Executive Council to synthesize the results. Dr. Schimpf discussed the quintiles and ranking, pointing out that along with the ranking and weighting, programs will be assessed on cost versus necessity and provided an overview of that process. Dr. Schimpf summarized the targets for BSU’s program prioritization which included identifying programs to consider for discontinuation, identifying opportunities for improvements to organizational structure and function, identifying how programs can be improved, and how to maximize benefit and minimize the cost of university processes.

Mr. Terrell asked where the institution is looking outside of state funding in preparing for the need for
additional resources down the road. Dr. Schimpf responded they are looking at new business models and new sources of revenue. He felt that changes to Board policy may come forward and also commented on the need to look at new ideas, and for the Board to be open to institutions looking at new funding sources. Dr. Schimpf indicated it would be critical for the institutions to be working together with community colleges to benefit student success and seamless transferability.

Mr. Westerberg asked staff if this program prioritization meets the mandate for ZBB. Mr. Freeman responded everything so far looks to be consistent with the ZBB mandate. He also recognized David Hahn and Richard Budzich from the Division of Financial Management as guests at today’s meeting.

Interim President Don Burnett from the University of Idaho introduced Interim Provost Dr. Kathy Aiken, and Vice President of Finance and Administration Ron Smith to provide detail on the program prioritization process. He provided some supportive introductory comments on how UI has approached the Board’s directive on program prioritization and how they have some experience with it. He remarked that in 2008-09 the university examined its academic programs based on the Dickeson model. During that time, they closed 37 programs and put 15 on a watch list.

Provost Aiken started by saying that rather than calling this a program prioritization process, they are referring to it as a Focus for the Future for the university. She provided for Board members a visual map of what they have accomplished thus far based on Dickeson’s model. The university proposes to use an inclusive and comprehensive process which will include the deans, department chairs, senior administrators, faculty and staff leaders as well as student leaders to participate in program review. The review will include administrative as well as academic programs. She indicated they will do program review in all quintiles, apply criteria and use the results. They expect a collaborative approach to this task will provide them with more useful information as they look holistically at the university, and will allow them to make some challenging decisions. She also indicated that since 2008-09 they have reviewed programs on a continuous basis.

Ms. Atchley asked if they addressed non-academic programs in their previous experience. Dr. Aiken responded they had not, but many of the criteria and experiences would be useful in addressing non-academic programs going forward. Mr. Smith also responded similarly and indicated they would be looking at opportunities to provide efficiencies in the non-academic areas. Mr. Soltman asked if athletics and auxiliaries would be included. Mr. Burnett responded auxiliaries and athletics would be considered. Dr. Aiken walked the Board members through the decision cycle for the prioritization process.

Dr. Goesling requested the institutions standardize the way they present the program prioritization information to the Board.

Prior to excusing the meeting for a 10 minute break, President Soltman acknowledged Representative Lance Clow as a guest in the audience.

President Fernandez introduced LCSC Vice President of Finance and Administration Chet Herbst, and Dr. Lori Stensen, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Fernandez started by commenting that they have in place at LCSC an integrated planning, programming, budgeting and assessment process. He indicated that there is also a resource allocation and shared governance process in place as well. He commented on the reasons and necessity LCSC adopted the planning and programming process some years ago. This process is program-centered and includes assessment of instructional and non-instructional items and involves faculty and staff. Dr. Fernandez outlined LCSC’s primary emphasis programs and indicated they are assessed annually. He added LCSC has in excess of ten years worth of data of this kind of prioritization. Dr. Fernandez added LCSC’s strategic plan is linked to the Board’s strategic plan and went on to discuss how LCSC would apply the program prioritization process going forward, and that those outcomes would be identical to LCSC strategic plan goals.

Dr. Fernandez indicated that in establishing the criteria, they have settled on two. The first is mission centrality and essentiality; the second is demand – both internal and external. Dr. Fernandez discussed implementing program prioritization and indicated shared governance structure and processes are in place and adaptable to program prioritization. In conclusion, Dr. Fernandez indicated LCSC would be well
situated to implement program prioritization and ZBB in the upcoming year.

Mr. Westerberg asked about the consolidation of the ten Dickeson criteria into two, and asked if the Dickeson criteria principles would be rolled up into the two identified by LCSC. Dr. Fernandez responded the two are very useful criteria, and behind them are several measures that make up each one. Dr. Goesling expressed concern over being able to make comparisons within the criteria if only two are listed. Dr. Fernandez responded they would make the criteria more visible for the Board. Mr. Soltman indicated it would need to be very transparent and evident to DFM that each institution has gone through sufficient rigor in their review process. Mr. Westerberg commented LCSC will need to put these criteria into quintiles and recommended having more than two. Dr. Fernandez responded that this is a draft and they will be working on the establishment of criteria central to their mission. Mr. Westerberg concluded LCSC has additional work to do on this proposal and indicated the Board would not make a motion on LCSC’s proposal today. Ms. Grace indicated that she and Matt Freeman would be working with institution vice presidents of finance and provosts to further develop the institutions’ proposals so that they may be presented to the Board in a consistent format.

B. Recommended Changes to Assigned Statewide Program Responsibilities and Five-Year Planning Requirements

Mr. Westerberg introduced the item and provided a bit of history in moving from an eight year plan to a five year plan. He indicated the Board will look at those plans with a critical review and determine whether the institutions have the authority to move forward in developing those programs to bring them before the Board for approval in August.

Dr. Goesling asked how they could move into a five year plan without program prioritization being complete. Ms. Grace responded that in conversations with provosts and IRSA Committee members, it was determined an eight year plan was too far out to do realistic academic planning, which was in addition to the revisions to policy III.Z. From that, it was decided to reduce it to a five-year plan. The five year plan does include a review of programs, but moreover it is direction for the institution on where it is going. Mr. Westerberg commented the program prioritization will help develop and inform the five year plan as institutions move forward in the process.

Ms. Grace provided a comparison of the eight year plan versus the five year plan and indicated it has a stronger statewide focus rather than regional focus. The eight year plan historically was more of a wish list for institutions whereby they would include every type of program in the plan they might like to have. Additionally, those plans did not include important types of assessments. She indicated the five year plan is a more comprehensive planning process and is a rolling five year plan which includes a high level needs assessment. She indicated the plan Board members will be reviewing in August encompasses academic years 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 which have a significant amount of data associated with them. For academic years 2015-16 and 2016-17, there will be a high level description of the program. Starting in August 2014, the Board will then see the plans every two years.

Ms. Grace indicated that after the establishment of the five year plan, the next steps are to revisit statewide program responsibilities and address on-line delivery. Mr. Westerberg recognized the collaboration efforts and work of the provosts in this process. Ms. Grace identified policy and financial delineations for BSU, ISU and UI. She also identified anomalies for the institutions, degree options not currently offered but which are listed as statewide, and the changes the campuses would like to make. A thorough list of this information was provided to Board members in their agenda materials. She also pointed out the campuses and staff are working on issues not listed in the materials provided. Ms. Grace read aloud for Board members the comments of Mr. Lewis who was not present at today’s meeting. Ms. Grace asked for Board input on how to proceed in order to be prepared for the Board at its August meeting.

Ms. Grace also pointed out the University of Idaho will include the original language from its mission statement related to having the regional responsibility for medical and veterinary medical education programs in which the state of Idaho participates. Specifically, the use of the word “regional” in that language is in question, or if it should be used differently. Mr. Soltman asked if regional was beyond the
Ms. Grace identified one additional change in the five year plan related to the program proposal process in an effort to streamline the process. She commented on the number of programs that come to the Board office for approval and requested Board feedback on how that process could be streamlined. Ms. Grace outlined the entire process and how the programs are evaluated and reviewed in committee. Further, she commented on the monetary threshold for approving programs. Ms. Grace identified two options to streamline the five-year plan and program proposal process. Under option one, the requirements are significantly changed. Option two simplifies the proposal requirements only. Option three would be to retain the current process. She clarified the criteria under each option, also indicating it would likely require a change to Board policy. To clarify, the CAAP Committee brought forward the recommendations for the first option and staff has proposed the second option. Discussion concluded that option one appeared to be the best recommendation.

Ms. Atchley expressed that a sunset clause or review of the program after a certain number of years that would identify if projections are being met and if the program is functioning as intended should be included in the program review process. She encouraged the review process in order for the Board and the institution to identify whether programs are exceeding expectations or have fallen short after the initial development of the program. Adding that often once the programs are approved there is little or no report on their progress. Mr. Terrell expressed concern about the financial challenges of the programs as well not only for the institution but for the students. Ms. Grace clarified that the programs she is referring to are not the actual programs but are expansions, emphases, options, etc., under existing degree programs. She added that if there was a fiscal concern, the Board could establish a fiscal threshold.

Mr. Westerberg concluded that there would be a policy change proposed at the August Board meeting related to this item. Dr. Rush commended the IRSA committee and staff for the work on this proposal. Mr. Soltman recessed the meeting the meeting at 4:17 pm.

Thursday, June 20, 2013, 8:00 a.m., College of Southern Idaho, Herrett Center, Twin Falls, Idaho.

The Board convened for regularly scheduled business at 8:00 a.m. at the College of Southern Idaho. Board President Don Soltman called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Mr. Luna joined the meeting at 8:12 a.m. Mr. Edmunds joined the meeting intermittently via conference call. Mr. Lewis was not able to attend.

CONSENT AGENDA

M/S (Atchley/Goesling): To approve the consent agenda as posted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Edmunds and Mr. Lewis were absent from voting.

Related to the consent agenda items, Dr. Goesling asked BSU about library services and if there has been an effort to combine the various contracts the institutions have with the Board of Library Services. Ms. Pearson indicated the library contract is a part of a consortium that the other institutions may be members of. She indicated she would follow-up on the details of the consortium and the agreements with the Board of Library Services. Mr. Freeman responded to the consent agenda item about library materials, commenting that cumulatively when they are rolled up together they reach the Board dollar threshold amount. Mr. Freeman indicated he will convene a meeting with the financial vice presidents and their purchasing managers to look at the different scenarios and perhaps amend Board policy to allow those types of contracts to go forward without Board approval.

Business Affairs & Human Resources (BAHR) – SECTION II – Finance

Mr. Terrell requested unanimous consent to move the ISU bonding item to the first item on the BAHR agenda. There were no objections.
1. Boise State University – Library Subscription Services

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Boise State University to enter into contracts with Lyrasis/Wiley for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2011 and Lyrasis/Springer for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2012 for e-journal subscriptions for a total cost not to exceed $1,482,787.

2. Boise State University – Contract Extension for Idaho Regional Optical Network (IRON)

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Boise State University to extend its agreement with IRON for an additional year in accordance with the terms herein.

3. Boise State University – Athletics Security and Services Staffing Contract

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve Boise State University’s request to enter into an agreement with MAV for an additional two years for a total cost not to exceed $574,300.

4. Idaho State University – Upgrade of Pocatello Campus Telephone System

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Idaho State University to upgrade the Pocatello campus telephone system for a cost not to exceed $3 million.

5. University of Idaho – Football Air Charter Service Contract

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the request by the University of Idaho to enter into an air charter service contract for the 2013 Football team’s away games for an amount not to exceed $606,355, and to authorize the vice president for finance and administration to execute the contract in substantial conformance with the form submitted to the Board as Attachment 1.

6. Higher Education Research Council Budget

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the FY 2013 Higher Education Research Council Budget Allocation as presented.

Institutional Research & Student Affairs (IRSA)

7. EPSCoR Appointment

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to appoint Dr. David Hill to the Idaho Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research Committee as a representative of the Idaho National Laboratory, effective immediately.

Planning, Policy & Governmental Affairs (PPGA)
8. University of Idaho – Faculty Constitution and By-laws

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the proposed changes to University of Idaho Faculty constitution and by-laws as set forth in the materials submitted to the Board as attachment 1 and 2.

9. Eastern Idaho Technical College – Advisory Council Appointment

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the appointment of Carrie Scheid to the Eastern Idaho Technical College Advisory Council for a term effective immediately, and ending December 31, 2015.

10. Accountability Oversight Committee Appointment

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the reappointment of Senator John Goedde to the Accountability Oversight Committee for a term of 2-years commencing July 1, 2013 and ending on June 30, 2015.

State Department of Education (SDE)

11. Professional Standards Commission Appointments

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to appoint Angela Lakey-Campbell as a member of the Professional Standards Commission for the remainder of a three year term effective immediately and expiring June 30, 2015, representing Secondary Classroom Teachers.

12. Transport Students Less Than 1 ½ Miles for the 2011-2012 School Year

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the requests by one hundred school districts (100) and twelve (12) charter schools for approval to transport students Less than one and one-half Miles as listed in Attachment 1.

13. Request for Waiver of 103% in Student Transportation Funding Gap

BOARD ACTION

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Moscow School District for a waiver of the 103% transportation funding cap, at a new cap percentage rate for the fiscal year 2013 of 116% for a total of $29,376 in additional funds from the public school appropriation.

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Garden Valley School District for a waiver of the 103% transportation funding cap, at a new cap percentage rate for the fiscal year 2013 of 143% for a total of $34,154 in additional funds from the public school appropriation.

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Highland School District for a waiver of the 103% transportation funding cap, at a new cap percentage rate for the fiscal year 2013 of 123% for
a total of $7,208 in additional funds from the public school appropriation.

By unanimous consent to approve the request by Orofino School District for a waiver of the 103% transportation funding cap, at a new cap percentage rate for the fiscal year 2013 of 144% for a total of $9,413 in additional funds from the public school appropriation.

PLANNING, POLICY & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

1. College of Southern Idaho (CSI) – Annual Progress Report

Provost Jeff Fox provided an overview of CSI’s progress in carrying out the college’s strategic plan. He noted that the entire Board of Trustees was present in the audience today and extended them a warm welcome to the meeting. Dr. Fox named the colleges’ core themes and reported on annual student head count and FTE. He reported on annual enrollment growth at CSI since 2007-08 and that headcount has grown 6%. Dr. Fox reported on remediation reform and that faculty and staff continue to discuss redesign and collaboration efforts across the state. He reported on the CSI Foundation scholarships and that those scholarships are largely funded by endowments, donations and commitments from community members who support CSI. This year’s $1.188 million in scholarships is evidence of the community support for the college. In addition to the scholarships, the Foundation offers mini grants to faculty and staff for development of great ideas. Dr. Fox reported on the progress of several campus projects such as the Chenney Drive Loop Road project, and the applied technology and innovation center, some of which are nearing completion. Dr. Fox highlighted campus accomplishments, numerous wide-reaching faculty accomplishments, and several programs that were recognized for their excellence in their specific area, along with several employee awards, commenting on how proud they are of their faculty and staff.

Dr. Fox went on to discuss CSI’s strategic plan and that it is making steady progress toward the goals and objectives outlined in that plan. He outlined the progress on select performance measures such as affordability, student satisfaction and number of degrees/certificates awarded. He highlighted some of their programs, such as the CSI dental hygiene program, the CSI surgical services program, and the physical therapist assistant consortium and reported on their progress and positive impact.

Dr. Fox reported on the many grants of the college and that they have received $8.7 million toward those grants. He provided some highlights of the colleges’ sports teams and reported on some impressive rankings of various teams such as volleyball, softball, rodeo, and basketball to name a few. Dr. Fox reported on CSI’s educational outreach and how engaged the college is with the community, as well as its higher education collaboration with other institutions and partnerships with several consortiums, and that CSI has been an integral part of business development in the valley.

Dr. Fox took a few moments to recognize the accomplishments of retiring CSI President, Dr. Jerry Beck, providing a bit of history about Dr. Beck’s contributions to the valley and CSI. He also recognized interim President Curtis Eaton.

2. President’s Council Report

President’s Council Chair Don Burnett reported on behalf of the President’s Council. The Presidents’ retreat will be just prior to the August Board meeting in Pocatello. On Tuesday, August 13, they will have a work session and a reception that evening with the committee chairs of the Board; followed by a continuation of the meeting Wednesday morning which will include the committee chairs.

He reported on the recent activities of the Presidents’ Council which included discussion on the University of Idaho Taskforce Update on Alcohol Use Policy, update on the Web Portal, and Program Prioritization Process. At the Council’s May 7, 2013 meeting major topics discussed included progress and next steps on alcohol issues, the alternative statewide degree, principles of institutional business enterprises, voluntary framework of accountability and CEC budget request. He commented that the presidents adopted a resolution to urge the Board to advocate with the Governor and Legislature for a statewide CEC request.
President Burnett provided a very thorough report on the status and findings thus far of the Alcohol and Greek Life Task Forces. He reported on some statistics of under age and young adult drinking, adding that since this is a community issue, both the campus and the community should be involved. He indicated that permitted events have lesser outcome of alcohol incidence than non-permitted events do, concluding that permitting may be an effective way of addressing the problem, along with increased accountability for students, policy changes and working with law enforcement. He summarized the entities and people who make up the Alcohol Task Force and reported that both the Alcohol Task Force and the Greek Living Task Force recommend a paradigm shift on campus, adding that there will be further discovery and discussion at the August Board meeting.

3. Idaho Public Television – Annual Report

Board President Soltman indicated that this would be Mr. Morrill’s final report to the Board as he is retiring this year. While under his direction, Idaho Public Television (IPTV) has enjoyed a long and impressive list of accomplishments. Also while under Mr. Morrill’s direction, IPTV has become the number one most watched public television station in the country. Mr. Soltman commented on Mr. Morrill’s service and dedication to the state of Idaho and to public television, which spans 17 years for IPTV and 34 years total for the state, and thanked him for his years of passionate service.

Mr. Morrill, General Manager of the Division of Idaho Public Television, provided an overview of IPTV’s progress in carrying out the agency’s strategic plan. He reported that this is Outdoor Idaho’s 30th year of service to Idaho and showed a short video highlighting the program. He reported on the program structure for IPTV and the funding that largely comes from private donations and grants. He reported that there were no audit findings for FY12. Mr. Morrill reported that IPTV is the most viewed public broadcasting station in the country and highlighted a number of awards and award winning services, commenting on several awards in areas that were not expected. He remarked on how their staff is adapting to new ways to communicate electronically to the community and beyond.

Mr. Morrill indicated that Antiques Road Show will be coming to the valley and it will include three one-hour segments that will be broadcast nationwide. Mr. Morrill reported that IPTV is exceeding its peer groups in donor gifts as well. He reported on IPTV’s effective and efficient delivery models, and that they operate with about half the FTE of their peers. He reported on their assets and their deferred maintenance challenges, indicating that certain grant pools will be discontinued and federal funding will be reduced considerably going forward. In summary, their educational content is excelling and they are maintaining high quality material for their viewers. In closing he shared a touching video clip from Outdoor Idaho on a series that looks at people with serious illnesses and injuries who gain strength and solace from being in Idaho’s great outdoors on trips organized by four non-profit organizations across the state.

4. Workforce Development Council Report

Mr. Westerberg requested unanimous consent to return to this item later in the agenda as a few of the representatives speaking to the item were still in transit to the meeting.

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Terrell): To refer the recommendations to the Planning, Policy and Governmental Affairs Committee for further analysis. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Tim Komberec, Chair of the Workforce Development Council (WDC) introduced President Bert Glandon, Dwight Johnson, and Sue Simmons to assist him in providing a report for the Board. Mr. Komberec reported that the Educational Attainment Task Force consisting of 21 individuals from business and education areas and divided into four subgroups, originally developed sixteen recommendations of which eight were prioritized. From those recommendations, the Task Force recommended eight for immediate development. Those recommendations were reviewed by the Governor’s office which provided a positive response and encouragement. They are moving forward on three of the recommendations which will be
presented today for recommendation. There are another two that will require consideration of a number of individuals to implement effectively.

Dr. Glandon reported that the Workforce Development Council has adopted a recommendation to create a new industry sector grant program funded by the Workforce Development Training Fund which will provide grants up to $1 million for two years to postsecondary institutions. Those institutions must partner with at least three business who share common workforce needs to identify and address pipeline training needs in Idaho. The next recommendation is to develop educational transparency metrics that will provide aggregate employment and wage outcome data of graduates by degree and by educational institution so students and policy makers can make informed decisions. In addition, the Task Force recommends that additional data be developed regarding information on educational attainment below the associate level to answer questions about how many people hold certificates, what industry credentials exist, and what value do the certificates and credentials contribute to employability and the economy.

Dr. Glandon commented on recommendations they feel will require action from the Board to be successfully implemented. The first is to establish a standard approach throughout public higher education for awarding credits based on prior learning and experience. Second, that the state Board help to establish and promote a standardized approach for professional-technical education industry advisory committees using best practices. Third, to explore best practices being used in other states which have adopted an “every teacher as a counselor” model. Dr. Glandon commented that the last two recommendations will require work by various partners to be successful. The fourth recommendation is to create an annual industry/education partnership event to better connect education and training to business needs. The final recommendation is to explore the advantages of establishing some type of career readiness tool that could provide employers with a commonly understood credential that represents a set of skills or core competencies.

Mr. Luna asked for more detail on earning credits for prior learning and experience. Dr. Glandon responded that the Council discussed a number of ways to award credit and discussed how there could be standardization of how credit is awarded for specific skill sets and how those would be translated coming out of business and industry into a certificate or degree using a portfolio approach. Mr. Luna asked who will review the portfolio to ensure it contains certain criteria and how it is translated. Dr. Glandon responded they are looking at a more objective approach to reviewing those portfolios and how to move students along more efficiently and effectively. Mr. Luna encouraged multiple ways of earning credits for students.

5. University of Idaho CEO Search – Status Update

Ms. Atchley reported to the Board that the UI presidential search process is proceeding well. The search committee spent considerable time developing the position profile and felt the advertising was far reaching to attract highly qualified candidates. August 15, 2013 is the deadline for submission. Tentatively, in September, they expect to review applications and interview candidates, and in October they intend to interview finalists.

Ms. Atchley reported that one item which was discussed was the physical state of the current residence provided for the university President. The Presidential residence is a factor in the current search and addressing and resolving the housing issue will be beneficial to the search.

Mr. Ron Smith provided comments about the residence which was built in 1966. They received estimates in consideration of renovation based on the age, condition, and design of the current building. Those estimates for renovation came back between $300,000 and $400,000 which do not include repairs to windows, or the HVAC system. They have determined that renovation is neither feasible nor cost effective long-term.

Mr. Smith reported that the university has also met with the UI Foundation to discuss financial assistance for a renovation or replacement of the residence. Early estimates indicate new construction to include both private living quarters and public/event space could cost as much as $2 million (10,000 sf @
$200/sf). The Foundation has indicated it may be able to fund construction of the private living quarters, which is approximately one-half the cost of the project. Mr. Smith indicated they would return to the Board with more solid estimates once those are obtained. He indicated they are looking into a temporary solution in the interim such as a rental property.

6. Taskforce for Improving Education – Status Update

Mr. Westerberg provided an updated on the Education Task Force. He reported that they have met five (5) times since January to gather information and discuss ideas for improvement initiatives and have had a number of public forums. Three subcommittees – Structural Change, Fiscal Stability, and Effective Teachers and Leaders – will meet in June, July, and August to further develop recommendations to be submitted to the Board and the Governor in September.

At this time the meeting returned to item number four on the agenda.

7. Salmon School District – District Supervisor Appointment

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Terrell): To approve the appointment of Dave Teater as the Salmon School District Supervisor and to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and sign a contract with the District Supervisor on behalf of the Board. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Westerberg introduced the item which is to appoint a district supervisor for the Salmon project. He commented that the Salmon School District had several failed bond elections regarding repair of two schools in the district, and that the Public School Facilities Funding Panel found the district had indeed met the conditions specified in Idaho Code for the fund. The panel unanimously approved an amended application submitted by the District and the amount approved by the panel was $3.6M.

8. 2013 Legislative Ideas

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Atchley): To approve the legislative ideas 1-9 as submitted and to authorize the Executive Director to submit these and additional proposals as necessary through the Governor’s legislative process. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Substitute Motion

M/S (Goesling/Terrell): To approve the legislative ideas 1-6, 8 and 9 as submitted and to authorize the Executive Director to submit these and additional proposals as necessary through the Governor’s legislative process. The substitute motion carried four to one. Mr. Westerberg voted nay on the substitute motion. Mr. Luna was absent from voting.

Ms. Tracie Bent from the Board office provided an update for the Board on the eleven legislative ideas and pointed out the statement of purpose and fiscal note for each of the items was provided in the Board materials. She provided a brief description on each of the legislative ideas being proposed. The items included Board of Education Member Appointments, Residency Determination, Registration of Postsecondary and Proprietary Schools, Postsecondary Enrollment, Enrollment Workload Adjustment, Liquor Funds Disbursement to Community Colleges, Charter Commission becoming a self-governing agency, Recommendations of the Education Taskforce, Boise State University – Autonomy, University of Idaho – Tax Commission Information Sharing, Idaho State University – State Constitution Amendment.

Mr. Soltman asked about item 10 and the University of Idaho’s request on Tax Commission information sharing. Legal Counsel for UI Kent Nelson indicated they are modeling this proposed legislation after
legislation already in statute and currently used by Idaho Fish and Game that uses information to verify resident status. He reported that this request would provide authority for the State Tax Commission to release income tax filing information to the public higher education institutions to verify tax filing status of individuals claiming residency status. The information requested by UI will be very limited in nature and used solely for determining resident status. Mr. Luna cautioned on the firewalls and protections in place for this type of request to protect people’s privacy, and that the climate is very sensitive regarding private information. Dr. Vailas advised the Board to have an external third party review before proceeding with this item.

Ms. Bent clarified that approval of today’s motion is approval of the idea and not necessarily approval of the language. Today’s approval allows staff to begin working on these items and their content language.

Mr. Terrell requested an AG’s opinion related to the request by the University of Idaho. There was discussion that it was premature to request a constitutional amendment.

Mr. Luna also expressed concern about taking the Charter Commission out from under the Board. He requested additional information on this item before moving forward on it, specifically on the appeals to the Charter Commission. Ms. Bent responded that appeals would still come before the Board. She clarified that it would be more of a technical change and that the Charter Commission would have its own budget. Dr. Rush added that JFAC already sees it as a separate program area for the budget which includes the FTE. The rulemaking authority would still be retained at the Board level.

Mr. Westerberg requested any of the Board members who have specific questions regarding the proposed legislation to provide them to Tracie Bent at the Board office to be addressed. He also clarified that with today’s motion that the Board is approving the development of the proposed ideas.

Dr. Goesling requested a more in-depth look at item number seven and for it to be pulled from the motion along with items ten and eleven. He offered a substitute motion.

9. Institution Strategic Plans

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Terrell): To approve the 2014-2018 (FY15-FY19) strategic plans of the University of Idaho, Boise State University, Idaho State University, Lewis-Clark State College and Eastern Idaho Technical College as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis, Mr. Edmunds and Mr. Luna were absent from voting.

10. Boise State University – Alcohol Permits for 2013 Home Football Games – Stueckle Sky Center

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the request by Boise State University to allow the sale of alcohol in the Sky Center during the 2013 home football season, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, the 2014 spring game, and if applicable, a conference championship game as set forth herein. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

11. Boise State University – Alcohol Permits for 2013 Home Football Games – Carven Williams Complex

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Atchley): To approve the request by Boise State University to allow alcohol service during the 2013 football season in the Caven Williams Sports Complex as submitted in Attachment 2 and 3 and under the conditions outlined in Board Policy Section I.J. subsection 2.c. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.
12. Idaho State University – Alcohol Permits for 2013 Home Football Games

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Atchley): To approve the request by Idaho State University to establish secure areas as specified in Attachment 2 and 3, for the purpose of allowing alcohol service during pre-game activities in full compliance with Board Policy I.J. for the 2013/14 football season. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

13. University of Idaho – Alcohol Permits for 2013 Home Football Games – Pre-Game Events

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to allow alcohol service during the 2013 football season in the North Kibbie Field, Student Activities Field, and the Menard Law Building foyer under the conditions outlined in Board policy section I.J., subsection 2.c. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

14. University of Idaho – Alcohol Permits for 2013 Home Football Games – Club Seating

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Atchley): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to allow alcohol service during the 2013 football season and during the spring 2014 football scrimmage, in the Litehouse Center / Bud and June Ford Club Room (Center) located in the ASUI-Kibbie Activity Center under the conditions outlined in Board Policy I.J., subsection 2.c. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

15. President Approved Alcohol Permits

Mr. Westerberg indicated the Board members were provided with an update in their meeting materials. The last update presented to the Board was at the April 2013 Board meeting. Board staff has prepared a brief listing of the permits issued for use which was included in the agenda materials for the Board’s review.

16. Proposed Rules – IDAPA 08.01.05, IDAPA 08.01.06, and IDAPA 08.01.12, Scholarships Repeal

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Terrell): To approve the Proposed Rule changes removing IDAPA 08.01.05, IDAPA 08.01.06, and IDAPA 08.01.12. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

17. Proposed Rules – IDAPA 08.01.09 – Gear-Up Idaho Scholarship

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Terrell): To approve the Proposed Rule changes to IDAPA 08.01.09 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Bent offered clarifying comments regarding this scholarship and how it is awarded. The scholarship is available to students who attended a school participating in the GEAR UP program and who participated in the program’s early intervention component in grades seven (7) through ten (10). To be eligible for participation the student must have graduated in 2012, or will be graduating in 2013 or 2014. During this past award cycle a number of areas within the rule were identified as needing further clarification. The proposed amendment to IDAPA 08.01.09 provides additional clarity to the initial application process, the selection of recipients, and continuing eligibility requirements. The proposed
changes will provide for efficiencies in the administration of the rule as well provide clarity for individuals applying for the scholarship.

18. Proposed Rules – IDAPA 08.01.13 – Opportunity Scholarship

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Atchley): To approve the Proposed Rule changes to IDAPA 08.01.13 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Bent reported that these changes are a result of suggestions from the Scholarship Committee. Proposed changes to IDAPA 08.01.13 will bring the Opportunity Scholarship rule into alignment with the changes made Idaho Code in Senate Bill 1027 as well as clarify how the amended Opportunity Scholarship program will be administered. Amendments are made to the academic eligibility and continuing eligibility requirements for applicants, and the deadline for submitting applications. The most significant change is a GPA from 2.5 to 3.0. The proposed rule, if accepted by the Legislature, would take effect at the end of the 2014 legislative session.

19. Temporary Proposed Rules – IDAPA 08.02.04, Rules Governing Charter Schools, and IDAPA 08.03.01, Rules of the Public Charter School Commission

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the Temporary Proposed Rule changes to IDAPA 08.02.04 and IDAPA 08.03.01 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Bent indicated that during the 2013 legislative session, changes were made to statutes governing charter schools in the state of Idaho. The proposed changes amend rule to coincide with the 2013 statutory changes and the proposed changes will bring both rules into compliance with changes made during the 2013 legislative session and provide for administrative efficiencies.

At the end of the Planning Policy and Governmental Affairs agenda, Mr. Westerberg introduced Dr. Vailas from ISU to announce the retirement of Dr. Barbara Adamcik. He offered some thoughtful comments about Dr. Adamcik’s years of service and dedication to higher education. He also introduced Dr. Woodworth-Nay as Dr. Adamcik’s successor. Ms. Atchley also recognized that ISU is in the top 15 public institutions for the lowest tuition and the top salaried for job placements.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

1. Boise State University – Self-Support Graduate Certificate, Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the request by Boise State University to create a new self-support Graduate Certificate leading to the Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Westerberg/Luna): To approve the request by Boise State University to designate a self-support fee for the Graduate Certificate leading to the Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement in conformance with the program budget submitted to the Board in Attachment 1. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Dr. Schimpf indicated that Boise State University proposes to create a new self-support program that will prepare students for a Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement (MCTE). The Graduate Certificate is intended for individuals who want to develop the professional skills and knowledge to successfully work...
with teachers and students in developing mathematical understanding. Successful graduates will be recommended to the Idaho State Department of Education for the Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement.

The proposed program has its origins in the Initiative for Developing Mathematical Thinking (IDMT) at BSU, which is funded through multiple state and federal grants and is charged with providing professional development to in-service teachers across Idaho. BSU has worked with the State Department of Education to provide a mandated 3-credit professional development course entitled Mathematical Thinking for Instruction to K-12 teachers and administrators across the state. Mr. Luna pointed out that thus far, the course has been taken by over 10,000 teachers and administrators.

2. North Idaho College – Aerospace Technology Program

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Atchley): To approve the request by North Idaho College to create a new Aerospace Composite Technology program as provided in the program proposal. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Lita Burns from North Idaho College (NIC) introduced the item and indicated NIC proposes to create a new Aerospace Composite Technology program that will offer the following options: Aerospace Composite Technician, Technical Certificate; Aerospace Core Postsecondary, Technical Certificate; Aerospace Composite Fabrication, Postsecondary Technical Certificate; and Aerospace Composite Repair and Quality Assurance, Postsecondary Technical Certificate. She introduced Cassie Silva who provided additional comments in support of the program and indicated the program will have four pathways. She commented that the Division of Professional-Technical Education (PTE) is working collaboratively with North Idaho College regarding sustainability of this PTE program should future funding be needed. Ms. Vera McCrink was available from PTE for comment as well.

3. V.M. Intellectual Property Policy – Second Reading

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Westerberg/Goesling): To approve the second reading of proposed amendments to Board Policy Section V.M. Intellectual Property and the Institution Technology Licensing Guidelines as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Bent provided some clarification of this item for the Board members. She indicated changes have been made to the policy between the first and second readings to incorporate comments made by Board members and Idaho State University. Once the Board has established the direction they want to go in this and the involvement of the institutions in other business enterprises, then additional amendments could be made to Board Policy V.M. to bring them into alignment. The proposed changes to the policy include the incorporation of the licensing guidelines and will further clarify the Board’s intent in regard to the transfer of technology developed at the institutions. Following approval of the second reading of Board policy V.M. the institutions will bring forward their internal policies for Board approval.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1. Superintendent’s Update

Superintendent Luna provided an update on the State Department of Education for Board members. He announced that the Idaho Education Network (IEN) was the winner of the National Journal’s Digital Innovation Award and commented on how competitive the award was and how successful IEN has been in Idaho and on a national level. He reported on the professional development necessary for the implementation of Idaho’s common core standards. He provided a review of the public schools budget that was approved for FY 2015, indicating there was $3.75 million in the public schools budget which includes roughly $22 million allocated for professional development which will be essential going forward.
There will be approximately $21 million distributed to districts for differential pay and Superintendent Luna described how it could be distributed. Mr. Luna also reported the Idaho Leads project is focusing their efforts on the implementation of providing districts with assistance in the implementation of Idaho core standards.

2. Proposed Rule – IDAPA 08.02.02.016 – Mathematics in Service Program Waiver

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Goesling): To approve the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02.016 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna indicated that this amendment will clarify that only practicing teachers would be obligated to meet this requirement for recertification.

3. Temporary Proposed Rule – IDAPA 08.02.02.045 – Computer Based Alternate Route to Teacher Certification

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Terrell): To approve the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02.045 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna indicated changing the language in this rule clarifies the alternate routes to teacher certification and the language clarifies intent of program approval and delivery models.

4. Proposed Rule – IDAPA 08.02.02.076 – Code of Ethics for Professional Educators

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Atchley): To approve the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02.076, Rules Governing Uniformity as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna indicated the proposed amendments clarify existing language and the elimination of subsections that are not clearly defined or are duplicative of other sections.

5. Temporary and Proposed Rule Change – IDAPA 08.02.03.140 – Accreditation

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Goesling): To approve the temporary and proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02.140 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna commented this revision will solidify which schools can operate as programs and which schools must seek standalone accreditation. This rule revision will ensure that all schools and all students are being properly accounted for through accreditation and Idaho’s Star Rating system. The proposed language has been reviewed and approved by the Idaho Accreditation Committee.

6. Temporary Proposed Rule – IDAPA 08.02.03.105 – Graduation Requirements

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Goesling): To approve the temporary rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.03.105 – High School Graduation Requirements, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.
Mr. Luna pointed out that if approved, this rule will allow students to take high school courses while still enrolled in middle school/junior high and meet the content and credit requirements for such courses prior to enrolling in 9th grade. This will allow students to take advantage of the programs outlined in Senate Bill 1091 and Senate Bill 1028 as was intended by the Idaho Legislature. This revision will also provide clarification around the math in the final year of school requirement.

7. Proposed Fee Rule – IDAPA 08.02.03.128 – Curricular Materials Selection and On-line Course Providers

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Atchley): To approve the proposed fee rule to IDAPA 08.02.03.128, Rules Governing Thoroughness, outlining the online course review and approval process as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna commented that during the 2013 Legislative Session, the Idaho Legislature re-established an online course portal under Senate Bill 1091 that will display courses and customer ratings from students and parents as to the quality of the courses. Additionally, parents will be able to enroll their students in online courses with the home school district and communicate with the home school district through the portal. In order to cover the cost of the review, the State Department of Education will charge providers a submission fee based on the number of courses offered, not to exceed the actual cost of review. The funds generated will help defray the cost of conducting the review, but will not exceed it.

Mr. Terrell expressed concern for home schooled students. Mr. Luna indicated he would explore the specific concerns related to home schooled students and discuss that with Mr. Terrell.

8. Proposed Rule – IDAPA 08.02.03.160 – Gun Free Schools

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Goesling): To approve the proposed rule to IDAPA 08.02.03.160, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna introduced the item and clarified details of this rule. He indicated that as a result of the shooting at the Sandy Hook Elementary school in Connecticut, some Idaho districts are contemplating authorizing select school staff to carry firearms on K-12 campuses. Idaho Code 18-3302D(4)(f) empowers local trustees to authorize school staff to carry firearms on campus. Mr. Luna indicated that to accurately reflect the prohibition of weapons on campus and the power of trustees to authorize select employees to carry firearms on campus, the State Department of Education proposes the following language replace the existing “gun-free schools” language. Further, if the State Board of Education does not approve this change in Idaho Administrative Code, and if districts authorize select employees to carry firearms on campus, the two directives will be in conflict. As a result confusion and lack of clarity regarding authorized weapons on campus may lead to security and safety risks in Idaho schools.

Mr. Terrell expressed concern about taking away the ability of teachers to protect their students. Mr. Luna commented they are not changing policy to restrict teachers. He reiterated the language is to clear up and clarify the rule and does not restrict the rules or authority schools and districts have had in the past.

9. Idaho State University – Proposed On-Line Teaching Endorsement Program

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Atchley) To accept the Professional Standards Commission recommendation to conditionally approve the Online Teaching Endorsement program offered through Idaho State University as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.
Mr. Luna indicated that the field of on-line teaching and learning is in high demand creating a need for teachers with hands-on experience in the on-line environment as both student and teacher. The State of Idaho has implemented an On-line Teaching endorsement to support teacher certification in the content areas. Additionally, the Professional Standards Commission voted to recommend conditional approval of the proposed Online Teaching Endorsement program offered through ISU. With the conditionally approved status, ISU may admit candidates to the Online Teaching Endorsement program, and the program will undergo full approval once there are program completers. In order to maintain status as an Idaho approved program and produce graduates eligible for Idaho teacher certification, Idaho State University must have all new programs reviewed for State approval.

10. Boise State University – Proposed K-12 Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement Program

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Goesling): To accept the Professional Standards Commission recommendation to conditionally approve the K-12 Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement program offered through Boise State University. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Luna commented that during its February 2012 meeting, the Professional Standards Commission voted to recommend conditional approval of the proposed K-12 Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement program offered through Boise State University. With the conditionally approved status, BSU may admit candidates to the K-12 Mathematics Consulting Teacher Endorsement program, and the program will undergo full approval once there are program completers. In order to maintain status as an Idaho approved program and produce graduates eligible for Idaho teacher certification, Boise State University must have all new programs reviewed for State approval.

11. Teach for America – Proposed Teacher Preparation Seeking Approval to Operate in Idaho

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Luna/Goesling): To conditionally approve the Teach For America program as a state approved vehicle for the preparation of teachers in Idaho, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Superintendent Luna introduced the item and remarked that this is a non-traditional, alternative route to teaching, and approval will provide greater opportunity to staff rural, high needs districts with highly qualified teachers in hard to fill content areas. He remarked that Teach For America (TFA) is a national corps of outstanding recent college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teach in underserved urban and rural public schools. Their mission is to build the movement to eliminate educational inequity by enlisting the nation’s most promising future teachers in the effort. He indicated the Teach For America program has worked closely with the Department of Education to ensure that they meet the same Idaho-approved teacher preparation standards required of traditional teacher preparation programs, and have submitted a proposal that is aligned to those requirements.

Mr. Luna introduced Ms. Nicole Brisbane from Teach for America for a few comments. She indicated the teachers are hired by the districts as first year employees, so the district pays the teacher’s salary and benefits as they would a regular first year teacher. She thanked the Board for her participation today and remarked on TFA’s enthusiasm for expanding their work in Idaho. She indicated that their teachers are recruited from across the country as well as in the state, adding that they received 100 applications from here in Idaho. She also mentioned that many Idaho grads are participating in the TFA program and are teaching across the country.

AUDIT

1. Amendment to Board Policy – Section V.Y. – Compliance Programs – First Reading
BOARD ACTION

M/S (Atchley/Terrell): To approve the first reading of the proposed amendment to Board Policy V.Y., as presented in attachment 1. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Section I – Human Resources

1. Amendment to Board Policy – Section I.N. – Miscellaneous Provisions – Second Reading

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the second reading of proposed amendments to Board policy section I.N., Miscellaneous Provisions, with all revisions as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell indicated there were no changes between first and second reading. The proposed amendments would codify the current practice of prorating honorarium payments.

2. Boise State University – Multi-Year Employment Agreement – Men’s Head Basketball Coach

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the request by Boise State University to enter into a new five year employment agreement with Leon Rice as Men’s Basketball Head Coach, for a term commencing July 1, 2013 and expiring on March 31, 2018 with an annual base salary of $482,110 and such base salary increases and supplemental compensation provisions, in substantial conformance with the terms of the contract set forth in Attachment 1. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell indicated BSU requests approval of a five-year year contract for men’s head basketball coach, Leon Rice. Mr. Satterlee from BSU indicated Coach Rice already has a five-year contract with BSU which was issued before Board policy contract limitations were in place. This is an extension or issuance of a new five year contract for Coach Rice. Mr. Satterlee highlighted the achievements of Mr. Rice and based on those achievements, the university believes a five year commitment is justified and will provide continuity for the program. He remarked on the importance and competition of retaining good coaches.

Mr. Freeman reminded the Board the details of its decision to go from a five-year to a three-year contract. Mr. Terrell asked if the Athletics Committee had a recommendation for this approval. Dr. Goesling responded the Athletic Committee was comfortable with the extension of the contract. Ms. Atchley commented the Athletic Committee may need to revisit the policy on the length of contracts. Dr. Goesling also recommended review of the liquidated damages in these contracts in greater detail, along with their consistency.

Mr. Westerberg asked for clarification of the shared road game revenue. Mr. Satterlee responded that there are some cases where road games to play a high profile opponent may have a payout, and the clause was added to help fund the costs of the road games. He also clarified how the amount is disbursed for these types of games. Dr. Goesling and Ms. Atchley requested the Athletic Committee revisit the liquidated damages, recommending they be more reflective of the amount of the contract. Ms. Atchley suggested looking at a recommended percentage that would be more standard for a two party contract situation, as well as a discussion in committee on length of contracts.

3. Item Pulled

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to enter into a multi-year employment contract with Don Verlin as Men’s Basketball Head Coach for a term extending through June 30, 2016, with an annual base salary of $156,832 and such base salary increases, rolling one year extensions and supplemental compensation provisions, in substantial conformance with the form submitted to the Board in Attachment 2. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell introduced the item indicating the University of Idaho requests approval to extend the contract for men’s head basketball coach Don Verlin for three years.

Mr. Kent Nelson commented that this contract started as a five-year contract, and they are recommending a three-year contract with a rolling term, and that there are increases in salary that do require review by the president. Mr. Nelson commented that based on the achievements of Mr. Verlin, the university believes this commitment is justified and will provide continuity for the program. Mr. Nelson echoed the comments of BSU from BAHR item number two on the competitive nature of retaining good coaches.

Mr. Terrell requested at this time the meeting move to item 7 on the BAHR Finance agenda for the approval and signature of bonds.

5. Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreements/Terms

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the amended employment agreement for Dr. Kustra as President of Boise State University, incorporating an annual salary of $353,432 in addition to extending the current contract term for one (1) additional year, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the amended employment agreement for Dr. Vailas as President of Idaho State University, incorporating an annual salary of $340,027 in addition to extending the current contract term for one (1) additional year, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the amended employment agreement for Dr. Fernandez as President of Lewis-Clark State College, incorporating an annual salary of $170,884 in addition to extending the current contract term for one (1) additional year, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the amended employment terms for Dr. Rush as Executive Director of the Idaho State Board of Education, extending the current contract term for one (1) additional year, as submitted and approve a bonus in the amount of $1,500 for meritorious service. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Terrell/Goesling): To approve a bonus for Dr. Albiston as President of Eastern Idaho Technical College in the amount of $1,500 for meritorious service. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Dr. Goesling recommended looking at the imbalance of the president’s salaries and coaches salaries at institutions.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES
Section II – Finance

1. FY 2014 Operating Budgets

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To approve the FY 2014 operating budgets for the Office of the State Board of Education, Idaho Public Television, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, College and Universities, Postsecondary Professional-Technical Education, Agricultural Research & Extension Service, Health Education Programs and Special Programs, as presented. The motion carried five to zero. Mr. Lewis, Mr. Luna and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell introduced the item commenting that per Board policy, each institution and agency prepares an operating budget for appropriated funds, non-appropriated auxiliary enterprises, non-appropriated local services, and non-appropriated other. Approval of the budgets establishes agency and institutional fiscal spending plans for FY 2014, and allows the agencies and institutions to continue operations from FY 2013 into FY 2014.

2. FY2015 Line Items

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the FY 2015 line items as listed on the Line Items Summary at Tab 1 pages 3-5. The motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell introduced the item and also indicated this item will be a work session item at the regularly scheduled August Board meeting. Following Board approval in August, the budget requests will be submitted to the Legislative Services Office (LSO) and Division of Financial Management (DFM) by September 3, 2013.

3. Athletics – Actual, Forecast & Budget Reports

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To accept the Athletics Operating Budget reports for Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho and Lewis-Clark State College, as presented. The motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Freeman indicated these items have been through the Athletic Committee and have been thoroughly vetted.

4. Amendment to Board Policy – Section V.B. – Budget Policies – Second Reading

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the second reading of proposed amendments to Board policy Section V.B., Budget Policies, with all revisions as presented. The motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

5. Boise State University – East Campus Green Field Project – Planning & Design

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the request by Boise State University to proceed with design of the East Campus Green Field for a total cost not to exceed $150,200. The motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.
Mr. Terrell indicated the BSU Master Plan has identified several locations for green space on campus to promote a variety of health and wellness, recreational and athletic activities. The university is prepared to commence design of the East Campus Green Field, a new natural grass competition and practice field. Mr. Freeman pointed out that this is a design-build project.

6. Boise State University – Redirect Bond Proceeds

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To approve the request by Boise State University to redirect bond proceeds from previous bond issuances as outlined herein to fund a portion of the Math/Geosciences building remodel, an economically feasible project necessary for the proper operation of University. The motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Atchley asked if there were legal implications of redirecting the bonds. Ms. Pearson responded there are no legal issues. Dr. Goesling remarked that related to bonding issues BSU outlined in their covenant what can be done with the money or if there are restrictions. He asked if the other institutions are doing the same thing. Mr. Freeman directed the attention of the Board to the part of the last sentence in the motion that states, "…an economically feasible project necessary for the proper operation of the university", and that the Board must make that finding for the project to be eligible for bond financing. Dr. Goesling requested that the BAHR committee review with the institutions that they are clarifying in their covenant language the use of bond proceeds and any restrictions.

7. Idaho State University – Issuance of General Revenue Refunding Bonds

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To approve a Supplemental Resolution for the Series 2013 Bonds, the title of which is as follows:

A SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION of the Board of Trustees of Idaho State University authorizing the issuance and sale of General Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2013, in the principal amount of up to $3,810,000; authorizing the execution and delivery of a Bond Purchase Agreement and providing for other matters relating to the authorization, issuance, sale and payment of the Series 2013 Bonds.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried five to zero. Mr. Luna, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

8. University of Idaho – Property Purchase – Vacated Industrial/Railroad Lands

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to purchase 4.13 acres of vacated industrial/railroad lands located between campus and downtown Moscow for a purchase price of $1.85 million and to pay transaction costs as set forth in the Purchase and Sale Agreement submitted to the Board; and further to authorize the Vice President for Finance and Administration and Bursar of the University of Idaho to execute all necessary transaction documents for closing the purchase. The motion carried five to one. Dr. Goesling voted nay on the motion. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell commented the University of Idaho would like to purchase 4.13 acres of vacated industrial/railroad lands between campus and downtown Moscow, adding that the price of the land would likely be going up in the future. He commented that historically the university has acquired available properties between downtown Moscow and the campus. These property acquisitions have been deemed essential to facilitate the growing operations and responsibilities of the university, preserve the viability...
and continued relevancy of the university’s infrastructure, and to contribute to university marketability and student desirability.

Dr. Goesling expressed concern about the location of the land not being directly next to the university and the possibility of another entity purchasing adjacent land. Mr. Smith responded that the land is in fact adjacent to the university and that their parking lot is only separated by a creek. With use of a map as a visual aid, Mr. Smith clarified for Dr. Goesling the property owned by the university and that which is proposed to be purchased.

Mr. Smith remarked on partnerships that would be developed should they be able to purchase the land. Interim President Don Burnett commented on the importance to the university of the purchase of this property and the downsides of not being able to obtain it. Mr. Smith commented they have not clearly outlined the intended use, but the property would likely be used for medical expansion, Gritman research, the WWAMI program, possible student housing, retail opportunities and other possibilities, and is consistent with the university’s Long Range Capital Development Plan. The development would yield revenues to the institution.

There was concern expressed regarding the university’s deferred maintenance considerations, low reserves and high needs. Mr. Smith indicated they are comfortable with the risk and echoed that the development would generate revenue and be a strategic investment for the university.

9. University of Idaho – College of Education Building Project – Planning & Design

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to implement the planning and design phases of a Capital Project for the College of Education Building Asbestos Remediation and Whole Building Renovation and Improvements, in the amount of $1,547,900, and to repay UI funds expended in this phase through bond proceeds at a later date. Authorization includes the authority to execute all necessary and requisite Consulting, Industrial Hygienist, and Vendor contracts to fully implement the planning and design phases of the project. Bond Indebtedness Authorization and Construction Authorization will require a separate authorization actions at a later date to be determined. The motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

M/S (Terrell/Westerberg): To approve the Resolution of the Board of Regents regarding authority for the University of Idaho to use future bond proceeds to reimburse the planning and design expenditures associated with the College of Education Building Asbestos Remediation and Whole Building Renovation and Improvements as set forth in Attachment 1 to the materials submitted to the Board. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried six to zero. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Mr. Terrell introduced the item which is a request for Capital Project Authorization to plan and design a project which provides for asbestos remediation and whole building renovation and improvements within the College of Education Building. He indicated that House Bill 313 appropriated $3.75M to each of the three universities to meet deferred maintenance needs and contains legislative intent language involving the Division of Public Works (DPW) working jointly with the State Board of Education on suitable projects for which funds have not been previously appropriated through occupancy costs. This project satisfies the legislative intent and is consistent with the strategic goals and objectives of the College of Education and is fully consistent with the university’s strategic plan.

Dr. Goesling asked why they were not using a design-build process. Mr. Smith responded that they are exploring that option with DPW and they also will have people who need to be relocated during the process which will affect the process.

Mr. Westerberg expressed concern that the university’s reserves are too low to approve projects going forward and strongly urged the institution to build its reserves up. Dr. Goesling suggested the BAHR
Mr. Freeman responded that they hope to bring back a debt policy at the August meeting and that there is a desire to have a fixed number for the debt/burden ratio. They also want to acknowledge that institutions should be referencing industry standards in their debt burden. He will bring a first reading on the policy before the Board in August. Mr. Terrell also suggested the institutions, when they bring forward items such as this that affect their debt, also need to communicate to the Board how they intend to reduce their debt burden going forward.

10. Eastern Idaho Technical College – Property Sale

BOARD ACTION

M/S (Terrell/Atchley): To declare real property parcel #RPA00008226024, located in Idaho Falls, Idaho, to be no longer useful to, or usable by, Eastern Idaho Technical College, that said parcel shall be appraised at $200,000, and that EITC proceed to dispose of the property in accordance with the provisions of Idaho Code Sections 33-2211, 33-601, 33-402 and Title 60, Chapter 1. The motion carried six to one. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Edmunds were absent from voting.

Ms. Atchley asked if EITC has plans for the proceeds of the sale of this parcel. President Albiston responded they don’t have a specific plan, but are in need of a new phone system. Mr. Freeman briefly recapped the next steps in the process for the sale of this property.

OTHER BUSINESS

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

Unanimous consent was requested to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m. There were no objections.
A special teleconference meeting of the State Board of Education was held July 24, 2013. It originated from the Board office in Boise Idaho. Board President Don Soltman presided and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A roll call of members was taken.

**Present:**
Don Soltman, President
Emma Atchley, Vice President
Ken Edmunds
Richard Westerberg
Tom Luna

**Absent:**
Rod Lewis, Secretary
Milford Terrell
Bill Goesling

**PLANNING, POLICY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS (PPGA)**

1. Idaho Public Television General Manager Appointment

**BOARD ACTION**

M/S (Edmunds/Atchley): To appoint Ronald Pisaneschi as the General Manager for Idaho Public Television, at a salary of $48.00 an hour ($99,840 annualized), effective August 5th, 2013. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried five to zero.

**Other Business:**

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

M/S (Luna/Atchley): To adjourn at 9:06 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.