# Illinois Association of School Boards 430 East Vine Street, Springfield, Illinois February 8, 2003

# Present:

	President	
	Vice President	
	Immediate Past President	
	Treasurer	
	Central Illinois Valley	
Lowell Beggs	Northwest	Amboy
Tariq Butt	Chicago Board of Education	Chicago
Donna Cech	West Cook	River Forest
	Wabash Valley	
Roger Edgecombe	Abe Lincoln	Maroa
Thomas Hannigan	Lake	Mundelein
John Heidler	Kishwaukee	McHenry
David Henebry	Service Associates	LZT
Cheryl Jackson	Corn Belt	Bloomington
	Kaskaskia	
David Kniker	Blackhawk	Kewanee
Debora McCleary	Three Rivers	Coal City
Jack Moore	Illini	Charleston
Roger Pfister	Shawnee	Murphysboro
Marie Slater	DuPage	Wheaton
	North Cook	
Wesley Stellhorn	Southwestern	Baldwin
	Starved Rock	
Gerald White	Western	Colchester
Absent:		
David Barton	Two Rivers	Nebo
	Egyptian	
	South Cook	
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Time Keeper		Wesley Stellhorn
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### Call To Order

President Christy Coleman called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, February 8, 2003, Crystal C Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Chicago.

# Additions To and Approval of the Agenda

Action: Lowell Beggs moved, seconded by David Kniker and carried unanimously, that the agenda for the February 8, 2003 meeting be approved with the addition of 18.a. NSBA School Board Leadership Report.

## November 21, 2002, Board of Directors' Minutes Approval

<u>Action:</u> Roger Pfister moved, seconded by Mary Walsh and carried unanimously, that the minutes for the Thursday, November 21, 2002, Board of Directors' Meeting be accepted as printed and distributed.

## November 24, 2002, Board of Directors' Minutes Approval

<u>Action:</u> David Kniker moved, seconded by Joseph Alesandrini and carried unanimously, that the minutes for the Sunday, November 24, 2002, Board of Directors' Meeting be accepted as printed and distributed in the meeting packet.

## Consent Agenda Approval

<u>Action:</u> Marie Slated moved, seconded by Jack Moore and carried unanimously, that the Consent Agenda Items 4, 5, 6, and 7 be accepted as printed and distributed in the meeting packet.

#### **Monitoring Reports**

#### Ends/Mission (Pages-22)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

#### Executive Limitations/Financial Condition (Page 23)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

## Executive Limitations/Communication and Counsel to the Board (Page 25)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

#### Executive Limitations/Relationship with Suppliers (Page 27)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

The Executive Director commented that very positive responses/suggestions had been received from the 2002 exhibit participants with one exception: A company was handing out past years' badges to persons to access the show floor without payment. In future years badge colors will be changed each year to eliminate further abuses of this nature. Two companies will be excluded from the 2004 exhibits due to blatant rule infractions.

Executive Limitations/Treatment of Member Districts (Page 29)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Governance Process/General Governance Commitment III-I (Page 30)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Governance Process/Governing Style III-2 (Pages 32-33)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Governance Process/Board Job Description III-3 (Page 34)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Governance Process/President's Role III-4 (Page 35)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Gerald White commented that 1.a, as it relates to the definition of the adverb "clearly," needs to be discussed at a future meeting.

Governance Process/Annual Board Planning Cycle III-7 (Page 36)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Governance Process/Board Members' Code of Conduct III-8 (Page 37)

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Governance Process/Nominating Committee (Page 39-42)

<u>Action:</u> David Kniker moved, seconded by Jack Moore and carried unanimously, that this policy be updated to reflect current procedure.

**IASB** Depositories

Action: Mary Walsh moved, seconded by David Kniker and carried unanimously, that the Illinois

Association of School Boards use National City, One Old State Capitol Plaza North, Springfield, Illinois 62701; Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, Inc., 230 South Sixth Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701, Investment Services for Education Associations (ISEA) administered by PMA Financial Network, Inc, Warrenville, Illinois 60555; Bank One, Columbus N.A., 100 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43271; and Illinois National Bank, 322 East Capitol, Springfield, Illinois 62701, as depositories for Association funds for the period February 8, 2003, through November 23, 2003, or until successor depositories are reported to the Board.

## Fiscal Year 2004 Budget Assumptions

Executive Director Johnson reviewed the 2004 budget assumptions including:

- Member services demands may require additional part-time and consulting staff.
- Anticipated additional full-time staff includes a part-time Policy Services Consultant to full-time and an Advocacy/Governmental Relations to be funded by IASB and IPA.
- Superintendent search, on-line training, electronic on-line portals, website and program marketing consulting services.
- Two pilot programs—principal searches and a model for schools involved in the "No Child Left Behind" school improvement plan.
- Policy Services have added student handbooks and the LeaderShop program will be full-scale this year.
- New pooling programs and program endorsements are continually being considered with cost savings and benefits to districts as the prime considerations as revenue opportunities and the viability of new programs are balanced.
- Goal is a balanced budget as member services/costs are weighed.
- The new Springfield building is being completed on time and within budget and will resolve space needs for the future.
- The phone system will be replaced as the move into the new building takes place and the print shop area is moving toward more digital processing and the dark room will be eliminated in the new building.

## 2004 Annual Conference Registration Fees

In Policy II-3 the Board reserves the right to establish the registration fee for the Joint Annual Conference.

<u>Action:</u> David Kniker moved, seconded by Kent Kistler, and carried that, based on Board of Directors' action, May 16, 1998, that the Annual Conference registration fee be increased 4 percent, rounded to the nearest \$10 amount annually, the 2003 registration fee be set at \$270 for pre-registration and \$285 onsite, and family badges be complimentary.

#### 2003 Committee Appointments and Re-appointments

Executive Committee: Christy Coleman, President

Raymond Zimmerman, Vice President Dennis McConville, Immed. Past President

Mary Walsh, Treasurer

Gary Carter Roger Edgecombe Roger Pfister Marie Slater

### Nominating Committee:

Dennis McConville, Chair Cheryl Jackson
David Barton Debora McCleary
Roger Edgecombe Gerald White

#### **Audit Committee:**

Mary Walsh, Chair/Treasurer

Lowell Beggs

David Kniker

David Kniker

Donna Cech

### **Resolutions Committee:**

Ray Zimmerman, Chair/Vice President Members and alternates elected by the 21 divisions.

### **IHSA Representative**:

Joseph Alesandrini

### Conference Committee:

Debora McCleary, Co-Chair Gerald White, Co Chair

#### NSBA Delegate Assembly Appointments:

Christy Coleman, President	Delegate
Raymond Zimmerman, Vice President	Delegate
Dennis McConville, Immed. Past President	Delegate
Tariq Butt	Delegate
Joseph Alesandrini	Alternate
Barbara Somogyi	Alternate

#### Treasurer's Term of Office

Treasurer Mary Walsh will not be a member of an active school board after the April 1, 2003 consolidation election in her local district. This will leave the IASB Treasurer's office vacant from May to November, 2003, unless her term is extended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

Action: Thomas Hannigan moved, seconded by Wesley Stellhorn and carried unanimously that Mary Walsh continue to fill the office of IASB Treasurer, until Sunday, November 23, 2003.

#### 2004 IASB Membership Dues

Treasurer Mary Walsh expressed concerns/thoughts regarding a suggested freeze of membership dues for

the 2003-04 fiscal year. She prefaced her remarks by stating the comments were not meant to sway a vote, but, in her position as Treasurer, to present facts that needed to be weighed carefully in making a decision. Despite the fact that this is not a good time for school finances, due in no small part to the economy and state/federal cutbacks, as well as voter reluctance to increase taxes, she expressed the following need to be considered: IASB expenses continue to rise due to day-to-day increases; additional expenses for the new building's interior; needed staff additions and the much-needed leadership training programs; hardware/software updates and employee training; delayed sale of the present building; the freeze projects a little over minus \$90,000 in revenue and may generate a precedent for membership expectations as the financial climate for schools districts does not improve; the conference revenue is down somewhat and reserves are being dipped into; and comparing the January, 2002 financial report with the January, 2003 report the cash and investment balance is down \$653,981.

<u>Action</u>: David Kniker moved, seconded by Debora McCleary and carried, that the Executive Committee's recommendation to freeze IASB dues for 2003-04 at the 2002-2003 rate for one fiscal year be affirmed.

## 2003 IASB Leadership Conference

Board consensus was the 2003 IASB Leadership program, structured around the theme *Understanding School Boards in a Democracy*, and led by Dr. Philip Boyle, Associate Professor, Institute of Government, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, was outstanding.

## FRN Report and Legislative Update

Associate Executive Director Ben Schwarm reported on the NSBA 2003 Federal Relations Network Conference and noted Illinois was represented by eleven school board members/administrators who attended two days of briefings on federal education issues and spent a day on Capitol Hill discussing funding for special education, the implementation of "No Child Left Behind," and opposition to private school vouchers with their congressional representatives. Illinois members met, as a group, with the offices of Senator Richard Durbin, Senator Peter Fitzgerald, and House Speaker Dennis Hastert.

#### Illinois High School Association Report

IASB Representative Joe Alesandrini reported on two IHSA constitution and bylaw changes: Student physical exams may now be performed either by a physician or a licensed practitioner; and the establishment of a competitive cheering season which restricts competition in five meets other then the IHSA meeting. The IHSA is continuing to work with the "No Child Left Behind" legislation and the impact it will have in regard to student participation.

#### IASB Service Associates Report

IASB Service Associate Representative David Henebry told the Board: (1) The Service Associates' Executive Committee had met and discussed the 2002 educational exhibits and was in complete agreement with the current exhibit hours and exhibit floor rules and that all exhibitors should be in full compliance. (2) Two firms were reviewed and a vote taken to recommend to the IASB Board of Directors that Mangieri Companies, Inc., Peoria, and Pepper Construction Company, Barrington, be invited to become members of the IASB service Associates. (3) New member Phillip Holtan, membership approved at the last meeting, has attended his first meeting of the Service Associates.

<u>Action</u>: Jack Moore moved, seconded by Barbara Somogyi and carried unanimously, that Mangieri Companies, Inc., Peoria, and Pepper Construction Company, Barrington, be issued IASB Service Associate membership invitations.

# IASB Springfield Building Update

Executive Director Michael Johnson updated the Board on the Springfield building project with an anticipated move-in date of May 12. (Since the February meeting, progress has accelerated to the point an April 21 move-in date has now been established and will occur over an estimated five-day period.)

## Adjournment

<u>Action:</u> John Heidler moved, seconded by Marie Slater and carried unanimously, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held May 2-3, 2003, Crowne Plaza, Springfield, Illinois.