

Board of Directors Minutes — November 20, 2003

Illinois Association of School Boards
 2921 Baker Drive, Springfield, Illinois
 November 20, 2003

Present:

Christy M. Coleman.....	President	Geneseo
Raymond Zimmerman.....	Vice President.....	Flanagan
Dennis McConville.....	Immediate Past President.....	Peru
Mary Walsh	Treasurer	Rosemont
Joseph Alesandrini.....	Central Illinois Valley.....	Pekin
David Barton.....	Two Rivers.....	Nebo
Lowell Beggs.....	Northwest.....	Amboy
Sara Brown	Egyptian.....	Carmi
Tariq Butt.....	Chicago Board of Education.....	Chicago
Gary Carter	Egyptian Retiring Director	Fairfield
Donna Cech	West Cook	River Forest
Fred Clatfelter.....	Wabash Valley.....	West York
Roger D. Edgecombe.....	Abe Lincoln	Maroa
Carol Farnum	Kishwaukee.....	Aurora
Thomas Hannigan.....	Lake	Mundelein
Steve Hawk.....	Blackhawk	Erie
Cheryl Jackson.....	Corn Belt.....	Bloomington
Kent Kistler.....	Kaskaskia.....	Brownstown
Milton Koppenhoefer.....	Retiring Director at Large.....	Metamora
Debora McCleary.....	Three Rivers.....	Coal City
Helen McClelland.....	South Cook	Country Club Hills
Mark Metzger	DuPage.....	Aurora
Jack Moore	Illini Retiring Director	Charleston
Roger Pfister	Shawnee.....	Murphysboro
Michelle Skinlo.....	Illini.....	Charleston
Marie Slater	DuPage Retiring Director	Wheaton
Barbara Somogyi.....	North Cook	Elk Grove Village
Wesley G. Stellhorn.....	Southwestern.....	Baldwin
Patricia Stroube.....	South Cook Retiring Director	Steger
Ronald Szabo.....	Ill. Assn of School Trustees.....	Oak Forest
Gerald White.....	Western.....	Colchester

Absent:

Fred Blue	Starved Rock.....	Utica
David Henebry.....	Service Associates	LZT
Ronald Szabo.....	Illinois Assn of School Trustees.....	Oak Forest
Brian Waitkus	Starved Rock Retiring Director	LaSalle

Time Keeper	Dennis McConville
Recording Secretary.....	Pat Culler
Process Observer	Mary Walsh

Call to Order

President Christy Coleman called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m., Crystal C Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Chicago.

Introductions

President Coleman requested that each person introduce themselves to the group and share a Thanksgiving memory.

Agenda Additions/Approval

Mary Walsh requested that Saving Our Stories be added under agenda item 18.c Other and moved the approval of the meeting agenda with this inclusion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval August 23, 2003 Minutes

Action: Joe Alesandrini moved, seconded by Tom Hannigan and carried unanimously, that the August 23, 2003 minutes be approved and placed on file.

Consent Agenda

Action: Donna Cech moved, seconded by Cheryl Jackson and carried unanimously, that Items 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the Consent Agenda be accepted as printed and distributed in the meeting packet.

Monitoring Reports

ENDS/Mission—Pages 19-22

Action: Joe Alesandini moved, seconded by Tom Hannigan and carried unanimously, to amend the policy as printed and distributed in the meeting packet with Item 1.3 C. to read: *develop and implement on-going evaluation of its standards, resources and training programs and their effectiveness.*

EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS/Financial Condition—Page 23-32

Action: Roger Pfister moved, seconded by Roger Edgecombe and carried unanimously, that the policy/reports be accepted as printed and distributed in the meeting packet with the understanding that the Association move forward with compliance with Item 2, page 23, for the 2003 fiscal year.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Mary Walsh reported:

- The October financial report reflects a slight increase in cash flow because most member districts submit their dues in the fall of the year. In addition, revenue from vendors and prepaid conference fees contribute to the increase. The December and January financial report should more accurately register the financial picture because refunds as well as conference expenses will be recorded.

- Dues from 855 school districts (there are 858 registered member districts) have been received. This is excellent considering the financial strait with which schools are faced.
- Monies from the sale of the Vine Street property to Forsyth Insurance, received on November 5-6, 2003, totaled \$758,645. The inclusive book value of the Vine Street building was \$1,091,695, thus the Association will record a book loss of \$333,050.

Concluding her remarks, the Treasurer thanked Bob Morenz for his conscientious and trustworthy services as the Association's Chief Financial Officer.

EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS/Asset Protection—Pages 33-34

This policy is in compliance at this time.

GOVERNANCE PROCESS/Governing Style—Pages 35-36

This policy is in compliance at this time.

Illinois High School Association Report

Joe Alesandrini reported he had represented the Association at two meetings of the Illinois High School Association since the last IASB Board meeting. He noted that:

- There will be a live internet broadcast of the football playoffs.
- Of the 12,356,000 high school students nationally, 55.4% participate in sports and participation by girls was increased significantly during the past year.
- IHSA is looking into several interschool student transfers for sports participation.

2003 Annual Conference Committee Report

Co-Chairs Debora McCleary and Gerald White reported:

- Total 2003 registration 10,709—down 340 from 2002. Registration fee receipts approximately \$23,000 less than in 2002.
- A total of 640 board members are registered for the seven all-day Friday pre-conference workshops.
- The new IASB Information Room, showcasing Association membership programs and services, appears to be well received and offers valuable information to attendees.
- The working relationship between the headquarter hotels and the IASB staff is excellent, they work as one team effort, and the cooperation of the hotels to hold the line on guestroom rates in these difficult financial times for schools is commendable.

Legislative Update

Associate Executive Director Ben Schwarm commented on legislative issues affecting local school districts currently being considered in the legislature and the fact that there are no new monies available.

Veto Issues: Allowing part of the behind-the-wheel education to be with a parent rather than a driver education teacher; location of a defibulator in every gymnasium; grant to reduce the size of kindergarten classes; private tuition money for special education.

New Issues: Taxation of mobile home located on private property and on permanent foundations; mandated breakfast; teacher certification (no classes currently available for approximately 7,000 teachers to meet permanent certification requirements); persistently dangerous schools; health insurance for retired teachers; early retirement for teachers and administrators; salary/pension caps for teachers and administrators.

Resolutions Committee Report

Vice President Raymond Zimmerman, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, reported there are currently fifteen resolutions to be considered by the Delegate Assembly, two late resolutions were just received, and there are two appeals of resolutions the Committee did not propose for Delegate Assembly consideration. The Resolutions Committee will meet at 10 a.m., Friday, November 21, Wrigley Room, Hyatt Regency, prior to the 10 a.m., Saturday, November 22, Delegate Assembly, Grand Ballroom.

New Building Update

Executive Director Michael Johnson updated the Board regarding occupancy of the new building, stating: The move-in is complete and the staff is very pleased with the facility; the telephone problems have been corrected; a new exterior sign will be installed shortly; and installation of a sprinkler system and sod are in progress.

Saving Our Stories

Mary Walsh has served as the Association's representative for intergenerational groups for several years. Although Mary is retiring from the Board, she noted that the Association's involvement will continue through IASB staff member Linda Dawson who has been involved with Mary in this endeavor. Mary thanked the Board for the opportunity to be serve in this area on their behalf and distributed a message from the Saving Our Stories Coalition relating to preserving individual family stories for future generations.

Retiring Director Recognition

The following retiring Directors were presented with plaques recognizing their service as a member of the IASB Board of Directors: Gary Carter, Egyptian Division; Jack Moore, Illini Division, and Patricia Stroube, South Cook Division.

Future Meetings

February 27-28, 2004..... IASB Leadership Conference, Hyatt Regency Chicago
May 14-15, 2004..... Board of Directors' Meeting, Springfield Hilton Hotel
August 27-29, 2004 Pere Marquette, Grafton

Adjournment

Action: Roger Pfister moved, seconded by Lowell Beggs and carried unanimously, that the meeting be adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

The next meeting of the IASB Board of Directors will be held at 12:00 noon, Sunday, November 22, 2003, Crystal C Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Chicago.