

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no audience to address the Board. Dr. Volpe stated that although Larry Solomon was unable to attend this meeting, he did extend his holiday wishes to the Board.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Ed Leman moved and his motion was seconded by Patrick Duffy to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 19, 2008, and the Closed Session Minutes of November 19, 2008.

VOICE VOTE

MOTION CARRIED

It should be noted that Dr. Carol Auer abstained from voting.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Diane Cody moved and her motion was seconded by Julia Beckman to approve the following consent agenda:

- A. The Personnel Recommendations (Exhibit 1)**
 - a) Resignations/Terminations: 1 certificated & 1 educational support personnel**
 - b) Appointments: 4 educational support personnel**
- B. The Revenue/Expenditure Reports – November, 2008**
- C. The Treasurer’s Report - November, 2008**
- D. The Gross Payroll - November, 2008 - \$1,764,943.11 & the Interim Checks – November, 2008 - \$720,173.07**
- E. The Bills Payable – December 17, 2008 - \$3,741,137.40**
- F. The Voided Checks – (\$11,939.50)**

Roll Call Vote:

Aye:

- Winfield School District #34
- Community High School District #99
- Keeneyville School District #20
- West Chicago Elementary School District #33
- Salt Creek School District #48
- Downers Grove Grade School District #58
- Maercker District #60
- Cass School District #63
- Woodridge School District #68
- DuPage High School District #88
- Community High School District #94
- Community Consolidated School District #180

Abstain:

- Westmont Community Unit School District #201

Nay:

None

Absent:

- Benjamin School District #25
- School District #45, DuPage County
- Center Cass School District #66
- Lisle Community Unit School District #202
- Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

VOTE: Aye: 12 Abstain: 1 Nay: 0 Absent: 5 MOTION CARRIED

6. DISCUSSION WITHOUT ACTION

Presentation:

There was no presentation.

Communications:

- A memorandum from Elizabeth Hanselman, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and Support Services from ISBE, regarding the revised IDEA Regulations (Part B.)

Director's Report:

SASED/ROE Collaboration on Rtl Grant: As a follow-up of last month's report, the ROE/CASE/NDSEC/SASED grant proposal has been submitted and grant awards are expected to be made after the first of the year. With only twenty slots open for the entire northern region of the state, it is unlikely that the DuPage consortium will be granted all of its 10 requested seats. For this reason, SASED is exploring the potential of hiring a full time External Coach whose services would become a Menu item this spring for districts to request.

PLC: Each SASED Program Administrator was given a copy of the book *Learning by Doing: - A Handbook for Professional Learning Communities at Work*. On December 2nd they met in small groups to discuss the PLC concepts and constructs and to consider the issues facing their application in SASED. There is consensus among the administrators that this will be of great benefit to SASED's programs and students, however there will be a significant challenge to create models for implementation. The administrators are planning on visiting Adlai E. Stevenson High School to observe PLCs in action. The Board will continue to hear of the progress through the quarterly update of the Strategic Plan.

Business Software: SDS is the current Business Department's software and General ASP was brought into the HR Department two years ago for applicant tracking. There is a growing need for greater functionality and interaction between the departments and also, the Administration is looking at a system to address emerging needs (i.e., staff check-in, check-out systems). The Administration has focused its attention on three options at this time: Skyward, SIS/Tyler, and SDS but is also open to other suggestions. The Board will be informed of the Administration's investigation and final recommendation.

ISAT/IAA: Last year 120 third through eighth grade students enrolled in SASED/DWC programs took the ISAT. Of that group we received results/scores for only 23 students (19%). An additional 92 students took the IAA. We received 42 of those results, which accounts for approximately 46% of the students who took the exam. SASED wants to be able to analyze the test data of all students to improve instruction and learning as well as being supportive of the home districts of our students in their efforts to make AYP. The ISBE has not found a solution to our need to access the SIS system to identify our students and their tests needs, so we have reached out to each district we serve and have had personal communication regarding their students enrolled in SASED programs. Districts are encouraged, if the opportunity arises, to

advocate with ISBE on SASSED's behalf for this request.

Triple I Conference: Dr. Volpe reported that he attended interesting sessions and had networking opportunities at this conference. His personal highlight was being inducted into ELI. He thanked the Board for their support of his attendance at this event

7. ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO THE January 28, 2009, BOARD MEETING:

- January 14 SASSED Program Administrators' Meeting
- January 14 SASSED Parent Advisory Council Meeting
- January 16 District Administrators' Meeting
- January 21 Project CHOICES State Leadership Team Meeting - Bloomington
- January 21 IAASE Board of Directors' Meeting – Springfield
- January 22, 23 IAASE Winter Conference – Springfield
- January 27 LEND Meeting

8. CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Diane Cody moved and her motion was seconded by Dr. Ed Leman to convene in closed session for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees and bargaining.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye:

Winfield School District #34
West Chicago Elementary School District #33
Keeneyville School District #20
Salt Creek School District #48
Downers Grove Grade School District #58
Maercker District #60
Cass School District #63
Woodridge School District #68
DuPage High School District #88
Community High School District #94
Community High School District #99
Community Consolidated School District #180
Westmont Community Unit School District #201

Nay:

None

Absent:

Benjamin School District #25
School District #45, DuPage County
Center Cass School District #66
Lisle Community Unit School District #202
Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

VOTE: Aye: 13 Nay: 0 Absent: 5 MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Carol Auer moved and her motion was seconded by Julia Beckman to return to open session.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye:

Keeneyville School District #20
Community High School District #99

West Chicago Elementary School District #33
Winfield School District #34
Salt Creek School District #48
Downers Grove Grade School District #58
Maercker District #60
Cass School District #63
Woodridge School District #68
DuPage High School District #88
Community High School District #94
Community Consolidated School District #180
Westmont Community Unit School District #201

Nay:
None

Absent:
Benjamin School District #25
School District #45, DuPage County
Center Cass School District #66
Lisle Community Unit School District #202
Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

VOTE: Aye: 13 Nay: 0 Absent: 5 MOTION CARRIED

***Closed session convened at 7:30 p.m.
Regular session reconvened at 7:52 p.m.***

9. DISSUSSION WITH ACTION

A. The Assistant Directors' Contracts

Julia Beckman moved and her motion was seconded by Tom Ruggio to approve the Assistant Directors' (Sam Cannata, Nan Diamond, & David Blatchley) contracts effective July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2011.

Roll Call Vote: Aye:
Community High School District #99
Woodridge School District #68
Keeneyville School District #20
West Chicago Elementary School District #33
Winfield School District #34
Salt Creek School District #48
Downers Grove Grade School District #58
Maercker District #60
Cass School District #63
DuPage High School District #88
Community High School District #94
Community Consolidated School District #180
Westmont Community Unit School District #201

Nay:
None

Absent:

Benjamin School District #25
School District #45, DuPage County
Center Cass School District #66
Lisle Community Unit School District #202
Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

VOTE: Aye: 13 Nay: 0 Absent: 5 MOTION CARRIED

B. The Application for Waiver of State Board Rules

Dr. Ed Lemman moved and his motion was seconded by Dr. Diane Cody to approve submitting the Application for Waiver or Modification of Rules to the ISBE and ultimately the Illinois General Assembly allowing SASSED to modify its current teacher evaluation rating system to a two-tier model for the next five years.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye:

West Chicago Elementary School District #33
Winfield School District #34
Keeneyville School District #20
Salt Creek School District #48
Downers Grove Grade School District #58
Maercker District #60
Cass School District #63
Woodridge School District #68
DuPage High School District #88
Community High School District #94
Community High School District #99
Community Consolidated School District #180
Westmont Community Unit School District #201

Nay:

None

Absent:

Benjamin School District #25
School District #45, DuPage County
Center Cass School District #66
Lisle Community Unit School District #202
Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

VOTE: Aye: 13 Nay: 0 Absent: 5 MOTION CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Carol Auer moved and her motion was seconded by Dr. Ed Lemman to adjourn this meeting.
VOICE VOTE **MOTION CARRIED**
(Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.)

Marshall J. Schmitt, Chairperson

Patrick D. Duffy, Secretary