State Board of Education Work Session Meeting
February 4, 2016 1:30 p.m.
State Board Meeting Room
State Office Building
301 Centennial Mall South, 6th Floor
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4987
Link to February 4, 2016, Agenda and Attachments

1. CALL TO ORDER - Attendance Taken at 1:40 p.m.

1.1. Roll Call

Present Board Members:
Rachel Wise
Lillie Larsen
Glen Flint
John Witzel
Molly O'Holleran
Maureen Nickels
Patrick McPherson

Absent Board Members:
Patricia Timm

1.2. Announcement of the placement of the Open Meetings Act information

2. BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSIONS ITEMS

2.1. Meeting participation and joint meetings with policy partners

Board members shared brief notes of meetings and conferences attended since the January meeting.

2.2. Discuss requests for meeting attendance

Board members reviewed requests to attend upcoming events.

2.3. Monthly Board Travel Expense Report

3. COMMISSIONER’S REPORT AND AGENDA OVERVIEW
3.1. **Consent Agenda process**

Commissioner Blomstedt reviewed the process for requesting additional information from the Consent Agenda. He also provided an overview of several upcoming projects for 2016.

3.2. **Report on Rules**

Commissioner Blomstedt reviewed the status of rules.

3.3. **Board Priorities and Policy Research**

Donlynn Rice, Department of Education representative, provided an update on the Strategic Planning process.

3.3.1. **NASBE Opportunities and Grants**

3.4. **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

3.4.A. **Courtney Matulka, 2015 Nebraska Milken Educator (2:15 p.m.)**

Courtney Matulka provided a review and vision for her year as Milken winner for 2015.

President Wise called for a break at 2:16 p.m. The meeting resumed at 2:25 p.m.

4. **DISCUSSION OF ACTION ITEMS**

4.1. **Discuss proposed revised Rule 1 (92 NAC 1) "Rules and Regulations Governing the Audit of Nebraska Public School Districts"**

Bryce Wilson, Department of Education representative, discussed proposed revisions to Rule 1 (92 NAC 1) Rules and Regulations Governing the Audit of Nebraska Public School District. The Board will be asked to approve the Rule on February 5, 2016.

4.2. **Discuss proposed revised Rule 2 (92 NAC 2) "Uniform System of Accounting for Nebraska Public School Districts"**

Bryce Wilson, Department of Education representative, discussed proposed revisions to Rule 2 (92 NAC 2) Uniform System of Accounting for Nebraska Public School Districts. The Board will be asked to approve the Rule on February 5, 2016.

4.3. **Discuss proposed repeal of Rule 12 (92 NAC 12) "Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation for Other than Religious Reasons"**
Bryce Wilson, Department of Education representative, discussed proposed repealing of Rule 12 (92 NAC 12) Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation for Other than Religious Reasons. The Board will be asked to repeal the Rule on February 5, 2016.

4.4. Discuss proposed revised Rule 13 (92 NAC 13) "Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation"

Bryce Wilson, Department of Education representative, discussed proposed revisions to Rule 13 (92 NAC 13) Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation. This will combine Rule 12 with Rule 13. The Board will be asked to approve the Rule on February 5, 2016.

4.5. Discuss proposed revised Rule 83 (92 NAC 83) "Procedures of the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts"

Bryce Wilson, Department of Education representative, discussed proposed revisions to Rule 83 (92 NAC 83) Procedures of the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts. The Board will be asked to approve the Rule on February 5, 2016.

4.6. Discuss approval of Rule 24 (92 NAC 24) "Certificate Endorsements" and the associated "Rule 24 Guidelines"

Sharon Katt and Pat Madsen, Department of Education representatives, discussed approval of Rule 24 (92 NAC 24) Certificate Endorsements and the associated Rule 24, Guidelines. The Board will be asked to approve the Rule and Guidelines on February 5, 2016.

4.7. Discuss negotiating and entering into a contract up to the amount of $50,280 with the Environment Rating Scales Institute (ERSI)

Melody Hobson, Department of Education representative, discussed negotiating and entering into a contract up to the amount of $50,280 with the Environmental Rating Scales Institute (ERSI). The Board will be asked to grant the Commissioner authority to negotiate the contract on February 5, 2016.

4.8. Discuss approval of a contract with Emspace Group for community engagement services to provide information about Step Up to Quality

Melody Hobson, Department of Education representative, discussed approval of a contract with Emspace Group for community engagement services to provide information about Step Up to Quality. The Board will be asked to grant the Commissioner authority to negotiate the contract on February 5, 2016.
4.9. Discuss approval of the VR portion of the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan

Mark Schultz, Department of Education and Vocational Rehabilitation representative; and Vicki Bauer, Department of Education representative; discussed approval of the VR portion of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan. The Board will be asked to approve the Combined State Plan on February 5, 2016.

4.10. Discuss approval of the Adult Education and Literacy portion of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan

Vicki Bauer and Sharon Katt, Department of Education representatives, discussed approval of the Adult Education and Literacy portion of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan. The Board will be asked to approve the plan on February 5, 2016.

4.11. Discuss approval of the contract with ESU 9 for 2016-17

Matt Hastings, Department of Education representative, discussed approval of the contract with ESU 9 for 2016-17. The Board will be asked to approve the contract on February 5, 2016.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1. AQuESTT

Commissioner Blomstedt provided an update of AQuESTT moving forward.

5.2. TEACHING AND LEARNING Reports

Ryan Foor, Department of Education representative, reported on the Teaching and Learning domain of AQuESTT. Handout

Maureen Nickels, Chair of the Teaching and Learning Domain also reported on the meeting of the Domain tenants.

Glen Flint, Chair of College and Career Readiness tenant, provided an update.

Valorie Foy and Jeremy Heneger (Handout) reported on activities around assessment and the NeSA Writing testing window.
5.3. **STUDENT SUCCESS AND ACCESS Reports**

John Witzel, member of the Domain, reported on the meeting of the group. Jolene Palmer, Department of Education representative, also reported.

President Wise called for a break at 4:00 p.m. The meeting resumed at 4:10 p.m.

5.4. **DATA AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT/STRATEGIC PLAN REPORT**

No report.

5.5. **POLICY**

5.5.1. **Policy Committee report**

Rachel Wise reported on the meeting of the Policy Committee.

5.6. **LEGISLATION**

5.6.1. **Legislative Committee Report**

Lillie Larsen - reported on the meeting of the Committee

**Motion Passed:** LB 868 - Require successful completion of a civics examination as a prerequisite to high school graduation - Staff to testify in a neutral capacity passed with a motion by Lillie Larsen.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint  
John Witzel  
Molly O'Holleran  
Patricia Timm  
Maureen Nickels  
Patrick McPherson

5.7. **TEACHER/PRINCIPAL EVALUATION**

5.7.1. **Teacher/Principal Evaluation Study Committee Report**

Molly O'Holleran, Chair, Provided a report on the Teacher/Principal Evaluation Study Committee. A final report will be given at the March meeting.
5.8. COMPETENCY BASED EDUCATION

5.8.1. Competency Based Education Study Committee Report

Glen Flint, Chair of the Competency Based Education Study Committee reported on the meeting and plans for submitting a final report in April.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Blomstedt announced a new process for addressing Action Items during the business meeting of the Board.

President Wise adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

State Board of Education Meeting Notification and Agenda
February 05, 2016 9:00 AM
State Board Meeting Room
State Office Building
301 Centennial Mall South, 6th Floor
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4987
Link to February 5, 2016, Agenda and Attachments

1. CALL TO ORDER - Attendance Taken at 9:04 AM

1.1. Roll Call

Present Board Members:
Rachel Wise
Lillie Larsen
Glen Flint
John Witzel
Molly O'Holleran
Maureen Nickels
Patrick McPherson
Commissioner Blomstedt was also present.

Absent Board Members:
Patricia Timm

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Announcement of the placement of the Open Meetings Act information
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2.1. Approve the minutes of the January 7-8, 2016 State Board of Education meeting as published

Motion Passed: Approval of the minutes of the January 7-8, 2016, State Board of Education meeting as published passed with a motion by Lillie Larsen and a second by Maureen Nickels.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes

2.2. Approve the minutes of the January 25, 2016 State Board of Education Legislative Retreat as published

Motion Passed: Approval of the minutes of the January 25, 2016, State Board of Education Legislative Retreat as published passed with a motion by Glen Flint and a second by Maureen Nickels.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

3.1. **Commissioner's recommendations and items to be removed from Consent Agenda**

**Motion Passed:** Approval of the Agenda as published passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by John Witzel.

Rachel Wise Yes
Lillie Larsen Yes
Glen Flint Yes
John Witzel Yes
Molly O'Holleran Yes
Patricia Timm Absent
Maureen Nickels Yes
Patrick McPherson Yes

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

4.1. **REQUEST FOR APPEARANCE** - None

4.2. **OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Jay Sears, Nebraska State Education Association, speaking to Rule 24

5. **HEARINGS (10:00 a.m.)**

5.1. **Hearing in NDE Case No.15-18, Commissioner vs. Heather Gates**

A hearing was held beginning at 10:06 a.m. Kathy Vontz, on behalf of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, recommended that Respondent’s certificate be revoked for a period of three years. Scott Summers, Legal Counsel, on behalf of the Commissioner, appeared in support of the NPPC recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing was closed at 10:09 a.m.

5.2. **Hearing in NDE Case No. 15-19, Commissioner vs. Gabriel Early**

A hearing was held beginning at 10:09 a.m. Kathy Vontz, on behalf of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, recommended that Respondent’s certificate be revoked for a period of two years. Scott Summers, Legal Counsel, on behalf of the Commissioner, appeared in support of the NPPC recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing was closed at 10:12 a.m.
5.3. **Hearing in NDE Case No. 15-20, Commissioner vs. Justin Dannelly**

A hearing was held beginning at 10:12 a.m. Kathy Vontz, on behalf of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, recommended that Respondent’s certificate be revoked for a period of five years. Scott Summers, Legal Counsel, on behalf of the Commissioner, appeared in support of the NPPC recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing was closed at 10:14 a.m.

5.4. **Hearing in NDE Case No. 15-21, Commissioner vs. Ramona Hourt**

A hearing was held beginning at 10:14 a.m. Kathy Vontz, on behalf of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, recommended that Respondent’s certificate be suspended for one year. Scott Summers, Legal Counsel, on behalf of the Commissioner, appeared in support of the NPPC recommendation. The Respondent was not present nor represented by counsel. The hearing was closed at 10:17 a.m.

6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to go into Executive Session at 10:18 a.m., to deliberate and receive advice from Legal Counsel on contested cases and a pending petition filed under the Administrative Procedures Act passed with a motion by Lillie Larsen and a second by Molly O'Holleran.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes

**Motion Passed:** Motion to adjourn the Executive Session at 11:35 a.m., and return to the regular business meeting of the Board passed with a motion by Lillie Larsen and a second by Maureen Nickels.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes
7.  ACTION ITEMS

7.1.  Consider the PPC’s Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 15-18, Commissioner vs. Heather Gates

**Motion Passed:** In Commissioner v. Heather Gates, NDE Case No. 15-18, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, revoking Respondent’s teaching certificate for a period of three years, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed with a motion by Molly O’Holleran and a second by John Witzel.

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7.2.  Consider the PPC’s Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 15-19, Commissioner vs. Gabriel Early

**Motion Passed:** I move in Commissioner v. Gabriel Early, NDE Case No. 15-19, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, revoking Respondent’s teaching certificate for a period of two years, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed with a motion by John Witzel and a second by Maureen Nickels.

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7.3.  Consider the PPC’s Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 15-20, Commissioner vs. Justin Dannelly

**Motion Passed:** I move in Commissioner v. Justin Dannelly, NDE Case No. 15-20, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the
Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, revoking Respondent’s teaching certificate for a period of five years, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Patrick McPherson.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes

7.4. Consider the PPC's Recommended Decision in NDE Case No. 15-21, Commissioner vs. Ramona Hourt

Motion Passed: I move in Commissioner v. Ramona Hourt, NDE Case No. 15-21, that this Board adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the Recommendation of the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, suspending Respondent’s teaching certificate for one year, and to adopt the Final Order proposed by Legal Counsel passed with a motion by Glen Flint and a second by John Witzel.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes

7.5. State Legislation and Board Actions on legislative issues

No action taken.

7.6. Adopt the proposed revised Rule 1 (92 NAC 1) "Rules and Regulations Governing the Audit of Nebraska Public School Districts"

Motion Passed: Adoption of the proposed revised Rule 1 (92 NAC 1) “Rules and Regulations Governing the Audit of Nebraska Public School Districts” passed with a motion by Molly O'Holleran and a second by Lillie Larsen.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes

7.7.  Adopt the proposed revised Rule 2 (92 NAC 2) "Uniform System of Accounting for Nebraska Public School Districts"

Motion Passed: Adoption of the proposed revised Rule 2 (92 NAC 2) "Uniform System of Accounting for Nebraska Public School Districts" passed with a motion by Glen Flint and a second by Molly O'Holleran.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes

7.8.  Adopt the proposed repeal of Rule 12 (92 NAC 12) "Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation for Other than Religious Reasons"

Motion Passed: Adoption of the proposed repeal of Rule 12 (92 NAC 12) "Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation for Other than Religious Reasons" passed with a motion by Glen Flint and a second by Lillie Larsen.

Rachel Wise  Yes
Lillie Larsen  Yes
Glen Flint  Yes
John Witzel  Yes
Molly O'Holleran  Yes
Patricia Timm  Absent
Maureen Nickels  Yes
Patrick McPherson  Yes
7.9. **Adopt the proposed revised Rule 13 (92 NAC 13) "Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation"**

**Motion Passed:** Adoption of the proposed revised Rule 13 (92 NAC 13) “Regulations and Procedures for Exempting Schools for Which Parents Elect Not to Meet Legal Requirements for School Approval and Accreditation” passed with a motion by Glen Flint and a second by Patrick McPherson.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint  
John Witzel  
Molly O'Holleran  
Patricia Timm  
Maureen Nickels  
Patrick McPherson  

7.10. **Adopt the proposed revised Rule 83 (92 NAC 83) "Procedures of the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts"**

**Motion Passed:** Adoption of the proposed revised Rule 83 (92 NAC 83) "Procedures of the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts" passed with a motion by John Witzel and a second by Molly O'Holleran.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint  
John Witzel  
Molly O'Holleran  
Patricia Timm  
Maureen Nickels  
Patrick McPherson  

7.11. **Adopt proposed revisions to 24 (92 NAC 24) "Regulations for Certificate Endorsements"**

**Motion Passed:** Adoption of proposed revisions to Rule 24, (92 NAC 24), 'Regulations for Certificate Endorsements' passed with a motion by John Witzel and a second by Molly O'Holleran.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint
7.12. Approve the "Guidelines Recommended For Use With Rule 24 (Endorsements)"

**Motion Passed:** Approval of the “Guidelines Recommended for Use With Rule 24 (Endorsements)” passed with a motion by Molly O’Holleran and a second by Lillie Larsen.

7.13. Authorize the Commissioner to negotiate and enter into a contract up to the amount of $50,280 with the Environment Rating Scales Institute (ERSI)

**Motion Passed:** Granting authority to the Commissioner to negotiate and enter into a contract up to the amount of $50,280 with the Environment Rating Scales Institute (ERSI) passed with a motion by John Witzel and a second by Molly O’Holleran.

7.14. Grant the Commissioner the authority to approve a contract with Emspace Group for community engagement services to provide information about Step Up to Quality
Motion Passed: Granting the Commissioner authority to approve a contract with Emspace Group for community engagement services to provide information about Step Up to Quality passed with a motion by Lillie Larsen and a second by Molly O'Holleran.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint  
John Witzel  
Molly O'Holleran  
Patricia Timm  
Maureen Nickels  
Patrick McPherson

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Absent
Yes
Yes

7.15. Approve the Vocational Rehabilitation portion of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan

Motion Passed: Approval of the VR portion of the WIOA Combined State Plan passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Molly O'Holleran.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint  
John Witzel  
Molly O'Holleran  
Patricia Timm  
Maureen Nickels  
Patrick McPherson

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Absent
Yes
Yes

7.16. Approve the Adult Education and Literacy portion of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan

Motion Passed: Approval of the Adult Education and Literacy portion of the Nebraska Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) State Plan passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by Lillie Larsen.

Rachel Wise  
Lillie Larsen  
Glen Flint  
John Witzel  
Molly O'Holleran  
Patricia Timm  
Maureen Nickels  
Patrick McPherson

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Absent
Yes
Yes
7.17. **Grant the Commissioner the authority to approve the contract with ESU 9 for 2016-17**

**Motion Passed:** Grant the Commissioner authority to approve the contract with ESU 9 for 2016-17 passed with a motion by Maureen Nickels and a second by John Witzel.

- Rachel Wise: Yes
- Lillie Larsen: Yes
- Glen Flint: Yes
- John Witzel: Yes
- Molly O'Holleran: Yes
- Patricia Timm: Absent
- Maureen Nickels: Yes
- Patrick McPherson: Yes

8. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

8.1. **Identify items for separate vote**

8.2. **Approve consent agenda**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of 8.5 and 8.6 passed with a motion by Lillie Larsen and a second by Maureen Nickels.

- Rachel Wise: Yes
- Lillie Larsen: Yes
- Glen Flint: Yes
- John Witzel: Yes
- Molly O'Holleran: Yes
- Patricia Timm: Absent
- Maureen Nickels: Yes
- Patrick McPherson: Yes

8.5. **Grants**

8.5.A. **Grant the Commissioner the authority to continue a grant to the Nebraska Children and Families Foundation for the Nurturing Healthy Behaviors program**

**Motion Passed:** Move to table action until the March 4, 2016, Board Meeting passed with a motion by Patrick McPherson and a second by Glen Flint.

- Rachel Wise: Yes
- Lillie Larsen: Yes
- Glen Flint: Yes
8.6. Contracts


9. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

There were no Special Presentations scheduled.

10. BOARD REPORTS, DATES AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.1. Meeting participation

Motion Passed: Approval of travel requests and meeting attendance of Board members including the NSEA Legislative dinner to be held March 7, 2016, for Patricia Timm, Maureen Nickels, Glen Flint, John Witzel, Molly O'Holleran, Lillie Larsen, and Rachel Wise passed with a motion by Molly O'Holleran and a second by Lillie Larsen.

Patrick McPherson stated for the record: This Board needs a travel expense policy that among other things: (1) defines appropriate functions that Board members may attend at NDE expense;
(2) that defines or limits amounts that board members may expend on an annual basis; (3) that defines appropriate levels of reimbursement for meals, mileage, lodging, registration, etc.; (4) that defines the difference between board functions that are reimbursable by the state, and constituent and non-official functions that should be paid for by the member personally or by his/her campaign account.

10.2. Monthly Board Travel Expense Report

11. INFORMATION ITEMS/WRITTEN REPORTS

11.1. Statutorily required notice of contracts involving public employees
11.2. Contracts approved by Commissioner
11.3. State Board Policy B8, "Policy, Bylaw, and Position Statement Development" for review
11.4. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Grants/Contracts/MOUs Report

12. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Friday, March 4, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Nebraska State Office Building, Nebraska Department of Education, Sixth Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509. A work session will be held on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Nebraska State Office building, Nebraska Department of Education, Sixth Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509.