



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MAY 31, 2016 WORK SESSION MEMORANDUM

May 31, 2016
4:00 p.m. (EDT)

Indiana University Southeast
The Ogle Center Theatre
4201 Grant Line Road, New Albany, IN 47150

Board Members Present: Superintendent Glenda Ritz (Chair), Mrs. Sarah O'Brien (Vice Chair), Dr. Vince Bertram, Dr. Byron Ernest, Dr. David Freitas, Mr. Gordon Hendry, Mr. B.J. Watts, Ms. Cari Whicker, and Dr. Steven Yager.

Board Members Absent: Mr. Edward Melton and Dr. Lee Ann Kwiatkowski

I. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Superintendent Ritz called the meeting to order, the roll was called and the pledge of allegiance was recited. The roll reflected all board members, except Mr. Edward Melton and Dr. Lee Ann Kwiatkowski were present.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. The agenda was approved by the board by a vote of 9-0.

III. DISCUSSION and REPORTS

a. TAC-ISTAR - RFP

The DOE is interested in finding out additional information about how students performed on the test in previous years. The DOE is now contemplating how many questions should be on ISTAR.

The request for proposal (RFP) describes the population of the students taking the test, where the content in the test comes from, and what the best practices are in the industry. The technical advisory committee (TAC) is now in charge of reviewing the RFP and giving feedback on how to improve it.

Questar is currently working on what the 2017 assessment will look like.

b. ESSA

Dr. Ernest provided his Top 10: 1) next generation assessments 2) innovating assessment pilot 3) rate of growth 4) identification of school improvement strategies 5) new direct student services provisions 6) elimination of highly qualified teachers with requirements that ensure that teachers meet state licensure requirements 7) Title II funds for school leaders 8) Title IV state-wide grant to fund district activities for students 9) modernizing 21st century community learning

center grants 10) ESSA established new grant program that allows community partners to support environment.

c. Work Session Planning

Superintendent Ritz suggested the subject matter of the next working session concentrate on multiple measures.

The next work session was scheduled for July 5.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The board voted to adjourn by a vote of 9-0.