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Department of Education

James Whitcomb Riley Conference Room

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9:00 a.m.

Board members Dr. Tony Bennett, Mike Pettibone, James D. Edwards, Sarah O'Brien, Jo Blacketer, Tony Walker, Vicki Snyder, and David Shane were present. Neil Pickett and Daniel Elsener were absent.

Jim Edwards moved to approve the minutes from the November 7, 2011, Board meeting; David Shane seconded the motion. The vote to approve the minutes as written was unanimous.

Dr. Bennett provided an update on the status of the Department's request for a waiver of the NCLB requirements. A decision on the request is expected in February 2012.

Mike Pettibone inquired about the IREAD-3 end of June retest date and why it was not closer to the end of the school year. Wes Bruce advised the later date was necessary in order to have sufficient time to develop the retest instrument and that the later date would be limited to 2012.

Jo Blacketor inquired about the roll out of the common core standards. Wes Bruce advised that schools are transitioning to the new standards as the foundational and prerequisite skills for the standards are identified.

For the Spotlight on Learning, Bennie Silver from the J. Everett Light Career Center presented information on the Center's Early Childhood Program and how it prepares students for both entry level positions in Early Childhood and an easy transition to post-secondary study. Students are able to earn credits from Ivy Tech through their participation in program.

Public comments were provided by Ronda Eshleman and Janice Malchow.

Department staff provided information and updates on school interventions, the teacher evaluation model and pilot project, educator licensing, and LSA #11-51.

In its consent agenda, the Board by unanimous vote, approved the recommended decision in Hearing #1108008.

Matt Fleck and Peggy Wild presented new College and Career Pathways course titles and descriptions. Mike Pettibone moved to approve the course titles and descriptions as presented; Jo Blacketor seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Zach Foughty presented revised summer school class categories. After discussion of the proposed changes, action to formally approve the proposed changes was tabled pending presentation of additional data at the January Board meeting.

George Frampton presented information on the recommended accreditation status of public and nonpublic schools. David Shane moved to approve the schools' recommended accreditation status as presented conditioned upon confirmation that the manner in which the determination of the recommended status was made complies with the current regulatory requirements. Vicki Snyder seconded the motion. The vote to conditionally approve the recommendations was unanimous.

Becky Bowman, on behalf of Wes Bruce, provided information on the requests from five schools/school corporations to administer state assessments more than seven days earlier

than the established testing window. Mike Pettibone moved to approve the requests; Tony Walker seconded the motion. The vote to approve the requests was unanimous.

Jim Edwards moved to approve the meeting schedule for 2012; Vicki Snyder seconded the motion. The vote to approve the meeting schedule was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:40 p.m.