

MINUTES OF THE JOINT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
OF THE BOARDS OF EDUCATION,  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 45,  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 88,  
DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS,  
HELD WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2012  
AT HILTON GARDEN INN  
1000 DRURY LANE, OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILLINOIS

Call to Order

Mr. John Langton called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Board Members

District #4

Board Members  
Present:

Mrs. Willis, Mr. Nelms, Mr. Ruffolo,  
Mr. Lullo and Mr. Daniels

District #45

Board Members  
Present:

Mr. Kerr, Mrs. Egan, Mrs. Nystrom  
Mr. Cain, Mrs. Sassen and Mr. Bimber

District #48

Board Members  
Present:

Mr. Cuny, Mr. Blair, Mr. Kielminski and  
Mr. Jasek

District #88

Board Members  
Present:

Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Cain, Mr. Edmier,  
Mrs. Kucik, Mrs. Lullo and Mr. Irvin

Administrators

District #4

Mr. Langton, Mrs. Boyan, Mr. Wartman,  
Dr. Castillo, Dr. Black-Gomez,  
and Ms. Karpman

District #45

Dr. Rosales, Dr. Messina, Mrs. Slavin,  
and Ms. Nissen

District #48

Dr. Correll and Dr. Evans

District #88

Dr. Helton, Mrs. Barbanente, Mr. Martin,  
Mr. Krause, Mr. Cibulka and Mr. Lenaghan

### Also Present:

Community/Public Relations: Mrs. Junokas – District #4 Coordinator  
Mrs. Hockensmith – District #45 Coordinator  
Mrs. Faith Behr – District #48 Representative  
Ms. Schweigert – District #88 Director

Administrative Assistants: Mrs. Presta – District #88  
Mrs. Miller – District #4  
Mrs. Clarke – District #48  
Mrs. Baker – District #45

### Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Langton welcomed all of the board members and administrators from the various districts and invited each attendee to introduce themselves.

### Purpose of the Meeting

Preparing Students for Success: K-14

Mr. John Langton provided a brief history of the formation of the Assessment Consortium by the four school districts and summarized the topics of the Joint Board of Education meetings over the past four years. He explained that through collaboration and articulation, the districts are working together toward alignment to the new Common Core State Standards across the districts. The Consortium recognized the value of their collaboration and this evening's meeting provides an opportunity to share the benefits with the Board of Education members.

Mrs. Jean Barbanente, District 88 Assistant Superintendent, gave a presentation about the new Common Core Standards and how the Standards are intended to align curriculum to college and work expectations with a focus on rigor and higher order thinking skills. She explained that initiatives are being implemented in each district to ensure that students are ready for nonfiction, evaluative responses and to narrow the gap between the Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) and the Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE).

Dr. Omar Castillo, District 4 Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, spoke about the changes that have been made in their district's curriculum to ensure curricular alignment to the new standards. Math and literacy committees have taken the lead in studying and researching to ensure alignment of the district's learning standards to the Common Core State Standards.

Dr. Christine Messina, District 45 Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, discussed the articulation efforts within District 45 and, between District 45 and District 88, to prepare students to successfully participate in the assessments for the new State standards. Dr. Messina stated that since 2010, District 45 administrators and teachers have worked to develop assessments and rubrics and align their curriculums.

Dr. John Correll, District 48 Superintendent, stated that District 48's teachers are meeting the new State Standards by teaching principles more in-depth to ensure students have a fuller understanding of the material, can explain the principles and can apply them to real life. Teachers are challenged to be more creative and active and to encourage students to think about problems in different ways.

Mr. John Langton, District 4 Superintendent, reiterated the importance of the collaborative efforts within and between the districts.

Adjournment (motion)

Mr. Langton thanked everyone for attending and indicated that the meeting was officially adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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Secretary

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President