

**EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Board of Regents, State of Iowa

**Work Plan for Study  
of the  
Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School**

**September 14, 2004**

Approve the project work plan and appointments to the Task Force membership.

**October, 2004**

Conduct the first meeting of the IBSSS Study Task Force. This meeting would include orientation to the IBSSS and the Task Force organization for the study. In addition, critical background information regarding the IBSSS and Special Needs students in Iowa will be presented by subject matter specialists.

**November, 2004**

The second meeting of the IBSSS Study Task Force will build on the background material presented at the last meeting to explore future needs of Special Needs students and consider the role of IBSSS in servicing these needs. The Task Force will also begin discussion of a public hearing process for the preliminary findings and recommendations of the Task Force.

**January, 2005**

The third meeting would be devoted to the development of recommendations for the future direction of the IBSSS. The Task Force will also finalize the details of the public hearing process and time schedule to share the preliminary Task Force recommendations with the public and other interested parties.

**February, 2005**

The fourth and last planned meeting of the Task Force will be devoted to the development of the final recommendations to the Board of Regents and any details concerning the implementation of those recommendations. The Board of Regents' Committee on Education and Student Affairs will consider the recommendations at its meeting on March 14, 2005 and a report with the Committee's recommendations will be provided to the full board on March 15, 2005.