MEMORANDUM

To Board of Regents

From: Board Office

Subject: Approval of School Calendar for the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School

Date: June 7, 2004

Recommended Action:

Approve the School Calendar for the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School for the period of July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005.

Executive Summary:

Policy Manual Requirement

• In accordance with the <u>Board of Regents Policy Manual</u> §6.12, the Board is asked to approve the school calendar for the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School. The calendar is attached to this memorandum.

Instructional Days

- The School proposes to begin its instructional year on August 18, 2004, and conclude the school year on June 1, 2005. Total instructional days for students equal the state mandated 180 days. Most faculty are contracted for 189 days primarily covering the standard school year.
- The calendar also reflects the programming provided during the summer months.

Holidays

 The calendar contains the required number of holidays as mandated by state law, Board of Regents policy, and the applicable collective bargaining agreements.

Coordination with local community school

 The proposed calendar is aligned as much as possible with the Vinton/Shellsburg Community School District, which cooperates with IBSSS to provide mainstream classroom experiences for IBSSS students.

Approved:

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Acronyms used in the calendar on the following page:

QPVI – "Quality Programming for the Visually Impaired" ESY – "Extended School Year" HB – "Home Bound Busing" SB – "School Bound Busing"

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Attachment

July 2004 - June 2005 Iowa Braille School Calendar

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<u>July</u>

- 5 Holiday Independence Day
- 11 23 Summer Session

August

- 11 11 and 12 Summer Institute
- 17 New Employee Workshop
- 18 19 and 20 Employee Workshop
- 22 Registration Faculty 1/2 Day
- 23 First Day of Classes
- 30 School Picture Day

September

- 6 Holiday Labor Day SB Busing 10 QPVI
- 22 ICN Vision Mtg

October

- 1 OPVI
- 6 HB Busing
- 7- 10 Conf. Track Meet Faculty Work Day No School - Fall Vision Conf.
- Faculty Work Day No School - Fall Vision Conf
- 29 End of 1st Quarter 47 days Faculty 1/2 Day 5-9 pm Family Weekend
- 30 Faculty 1/2 Day 8-Noon Family Weekend

November

- 1 No School SB Busing
- 5 QPVI
- 24 HB Busing
- 25 Holiday Thanksgiving
- 26 Holiday Thanksgiving

December

- 3 QPVI
- 22 HB Busing
- 23 No School
- 24 Holiday Christmas
- 27 Holiday
- 28 No School
- 29 No School
- 30 No School
- 31 Holiday New Years

January

- 2 SB Busing
- 3 Classes Resume
- 7 QPVI
- 14 End of 2nd Quarter 45 days
- 17 Holiday Martin Luther King Jr. Day SB Busing
- 21 and 22 Wrestling Conf. Meet

February

4 QPVI

4 OPVI

24 ICN Vision Mtg

March

- 18 End of 3rd Quarter 44 days
- 21 No School
- 22 No School
- 23 No School
- 24 No School
- 25 No School
- 28 No School SB Busing

<u>April</u>

- 1 QPVI
- 4 Face-to-Face Vision Mtg
- 28 Apr. 28 May 1 Swimming and Forensics Conf. Meet

- 6 QPVI
- 13 and 14 Prom Weekend
- 27 End of 4th Quarter End of 4th Quarter - 44 days
- 28 Faculty 1/2 Day Graduation 11 a.m.
- 30 Holiday Memorial Day
- 31 Faculty Work Day

<u>June</u>

- 1 Faculty Work Day
- 12 24 Summer Session

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Iowa Braille School 2004 - 2005 School Calendar Details

1. Student Calendar - Quarter and Semester Dates

October 29, 2004	End of First Quarter	47 Days	
January 14, 2005	End of Second Quarter	45 Days	
	End of First Semester		92 Days
March 18, 2005	End of Third Quarter	44 Days	
May 27, 2005	End of Fourth Quarter	44 Days	
	End of Second Semester		88 Days
			180 Days

2. Standard Teacher Calendar

Standard Teacher contracts consist of 189 faculty contract days between August 18, 2004 and June 1, 2005. (190 faculty contract days for new faculty). The nine extra faculty contract days, in addition to instructional days, (10 extra faculty contact days for new faculty) are listed below.

1 day (for new faculty only)
1 day
1 day
1 day
1/2 day
1 day
1 day
1/2 day (5-9 p.m.)
1/2 day (8 – noon)
1/2 day
1 day
<u>1 day</u>
9 days (10 days for new faculty)

3. 2004/2005 Scheduled Paid Holidays for eligible Merit staff, Institutional Officials and P and S

July 5, 2004	Independence Day	
September 6, 2004	Labor Day	
November 25, 2004	Thanksgiving Day	
November 26, 2004	Holiday	
December 24, 2004	Holiday	
December 27, 2004	Holiday	
December 31, 2004	Holiday, New Year's Day	
January 17, 2005	Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday	
May 30, 2005	Memorial Day	
Two additional unscheduled days are accrued as vacation.		

This calendar follows as nearly as practical, the Vinton/Shellsburg Community School District Calendar.