

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RIPLEY-OHIO-DEARBORN SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

January 11, 2017

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at the Southeastern Career Center. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey - Lawrenceburg, Andrew Jackson - Sunman-Dearborn, Paul Ketcham - Batesville, John Mehrle - South Dearborn, Rob Moorhead - South Ripley, Jane Rogers - Milan, Tim Taylor - Jac-Cen-Del and Alex Brewer - ROD. Kelli Keith represented Rising Sun.

The Board met in executive session from 12:30 p.m. until 12:40 p.m. to discuss matters as provided for by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7). The Board discussed only the subject matter specified during executive session.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Moorhead at 12:50 p.m.

Dr. Brewer presented the agenda. Mr. Ketcham made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Galey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Moorhead then welcomed Mr. Ketcham as the new superintendent of Batesville and Jane Rogers as the superintendent of Milan. Also, Kelli Keith representing Rising Sun schools.

The minutes of the December 14, 2016 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Dr. Jackson to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The finance report was presented by Marcia Fullenkamp. The cash balance was more than anticipated for December, 31, 2016. This was due to the receipt of the teacher performance award which was not paid out until January 6, 2017 and end of the month bills were less than anticipated. Claims 119034-119123 were presented for payment. Dr. Brewer updated the Board on the projected cash balance. If there are no unusual expenses, the projected cash balance for December, 2018 would be +/- \$1.5 million which is about 17% of the total budget.. A motion was made by Dr. Mehrle to accept the financial report as presented and approve the claims for payment. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion Motion carried.

The Board of Finance needs to be appointed each year at the January meeting. Dr. Brewer made a recommendation that the entire Board serve as the Board of Finance. Mr. Taylor made the motion seconded by Mr. Ketcham. Mr. Galey asked that the motion be revised so that the Board of Finance would be the entire Board with the same officers that serve on the Board of Directors. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Ketcham agreed to the revision. Motion carried.

Mr. Moorhead made a recommendation that the ROD Board meetings be moved to the third Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at Milan superintendent's office. Dr. Mehrle made the motion seconded by Mr. Taylor. Motion carried. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Milan superintendent's office.

Dr. Brewer informed the Board that Matt Johnson from the IIEP Resource Center will be offering training on April 11 and 13 for goal writing for elementary teachers and those secondary teachers who did not come to the training in the fall. The training will be held at Ivy Tech in Batesville. Also, the Transition Fair will be held on April 25th at Lawrenceburg High School. This will be geared to parents/families with presentations by ARC of Indiana on guardianship and the Medicaid waiver.

Dr. Brewer has Naomi Swiezy scheduled to come to the February board meeting to present an update on the current HANDS program. There will be discussion of possible program expansion. Also, Dr. Swiezy has offered to provide summer training at a local location at a reduced rate if there are enough participants.

Preschool updates were presented. We will continue to monitor class sizes as some are increasing.

Mr. Moorhead informed the Board that Chris Perdue, student at South Ripley will be participating in the world Special Olympics and has been invited to participate in the X Games in February.

Dr. Brewer informed the Board that Conflict of Interest forms are available if any Board member needs to complete one.

There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Mrs. Rogers to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.