

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

January 19, 2021

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at the South Dearborn Superintendent's office. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey – Lawrenceburg, Eric Lows – South Dearborn, Rob Moorhead – South Ripley, Branden Roeder – Rising Sun, Jane Rogers - Milan and Alex Brewer - ROD. Ryan Middleton – Jac-Cen-Del participated virtually.

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 by Karl Galey.

The agenda was presented by Dr. Brewer. A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Mrs. Rogers. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead and seconded by Mr. Lows to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented by Marcia Fullenkamp. Federal reimbursement grants were available for review in the Google folder. Form 9 has been uploaded and will be submitted after getting signatures today. The auditors have completed their yearly federal audit. There were no problems noted. Local corporations will need to provide Time and Effort information along with documentation to support MOE. Claims 122206-122266 were presented for payment. The final payments to Lancer & Beebe and South Dearborn for the renovation of the office space are included. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to approve the financial report and claims for payment. Mr. Lows seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer presented a resolution to continue to provide leave related to Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) through the end of the current school year. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to approve the resolution. Mrs. Rogers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Personnel Update – Dr. Brewer is recommending a supplemental payment of \$2,000 to be added to the base salary of Trina Schutte. She has completed her Masters Degree in Applied Behavior Analysis. A motion was made by Mrs. Rogers to approve the increase. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer gave an update on a recent article that was published regarding OCR's investigation of Indiana's failure to implement special education services appropriately during the pandemic. It is important to convene a case conference soon after there has been an issue that has been brought up. If there are concerns, they should be brought to Dr. Brewer. Mr. Galey asked that Dr. Brewer send something to principals and teachers to let them know what to do in case there are issues.

ROD Training Update - Dr. Brewer and Missy Jones have been holding trainings with teachers and building administration to discuss the changes regarding testing accommodations for state testing. They have also been discussing the alternative assessment and that it should be removed once a student is beyond 10th grade. This will help to meet the 1% cap requirement. New teacher training will be held on January 20th. Training for the graduation pathways and transition portfolios will be scheduled soon. Next year training will focus on IEP writing.

The preschool report was distributed. Hands training has started at Jac-Cen-Del preschool program.

Public Comments – none

Meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.