

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

November 9, 2016

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at the Southeastern Career Center. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey - Lawrenceburg, Andrew Jackson - Sunman-Dearborn, Paul Ketcham - Milan, John Mehrle - South Dearborn, Bill Narwold - Batesville, Branden Roeder - Rising Sun, Tim Taylor - Jac-Cen-Del and Alex Brewer - ROD. Rob Moorhead was absent.

The Board met in executive session from 1:00 p.m. until 1:12 p.m. to discuss matters as provided for by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5). The Board discussed only the subject matter specified during executive session.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jackson at 1:15 p.m.

Dr. Brewer presented the agenda. One item needs to be added to the agenda - Preschool Update will be under Information Items. Mr. Roeder made a motion to approve the corrected agenda. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the October 5, 2016 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Taylor to accept the minutes as presented. Dr. Mehrle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The finance report was presented by Marcia Fullenkamp. Final approval was received for the FY2017 Part B 611 grant. A revision to the application had been made due to additional funds being provided by DOE. The FY2016 Part B 611 grant has been expended. A final report will follow. Claims 118877-118951 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Mr. Ketcham to accept the financial report as presented and approve the claims for payment. Mr. Narwold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Personnel - Dr. Brewer recommended Laura Nagel for the position of Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant. She will be working 4 days a week at a rate of \$26.00 per hour. She has worked for ROD before so is familiar with our program. A motion was made by Mr. Galey to approve the hiring of Ms. Nagel. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer recommended to the Board an increase in the Board contribution to insurance for Plan F single for the teacher assistant. This is to comply with the federal health care reform act. The increase would be \$468. ROD uses the federal poverty level to make this determination. A motion was made by Mr. Narwold to approve the increase in the contribution. Dr. Mehrle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The preschool update was presented. There has been an 10%-15% increase in preschool eligibility. We will be looking to add staff in some locations to deal with this increase. It is

possible that there will need to be another preschool classroom added. More information will be made available if/when this may happen.

Dr. Brewer shared with the Board information on the DOE Indicators for Monitoring Disproportionality, indicators 4, 9 and 10. For DOE to look at disproportionality, there needs to be at least 15 students who are of different ethnic background in one disability area. None of our schools have that many students in an area. All schools should have received a letter stating that they have no findings.

Dr. Brewer asked the Board if there is space available in some of their buildings where ROD staff could use as office space. It would cut down on mileage and drive time. The needs for the space would be computer and printer access, possible phone access, and place to store protocols. The Board asked that Dr. Brewer send them information on what would be acceptable space.

There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Ketcham to adjourn. Mr. Galey seconded the motion.
Meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.