

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

December 18, 2018

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at the South Dearborn Superintendent's Office. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey - Lawrenceburg, Andrew Jackson - Sunman-Dearborn, Paul Ketcham - Batesville, Eric Lows – South Dearborn, Rob Moorhead – South Ripley, Bill Narwold – Jac-Cen-Del, Jane Rogers - Milan, Branden Roeder – Rising Sun, and Alex Brewer - ROD.

The Board met in executive session from 9:00 a.m. until 9:18 a.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 Dr. Jackson at 9:21 a.m.

The agenda was presented by Dr. Brewer. He added Personnel Update to the agenda. A motion was made by Mr. Galey to accept the amended agenda. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the November 14 special meeting and the November 20 regular meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented by Marcia Fullenkamp. Reimbursement requests were distributed. Information regarding the December 1 count was distributed to the Board. The count was up 38 students with the largest increase in the area of OHI. Group 1 funding increased from \$8,976 to \$9,156 per student. Claims 120635-120702 along with payroll claims were presented for payment. A motion to approve the financial report was made by Mr. Roeder. Mr. Narwold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer presented the 2019 Non-Public Budget. He will be moving this to a fiscal budget so this is for the first 6 months of 2019. Non-public local funds must be spent according to the APC that is generated by each student. This budget includes services provided by ROD to the non-public schools including 3% administrative costs. We will be adding some additional teacher of record time to meet the needs of the students. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to approve the Non-Public budget. Mr. Moorhead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer presented the 2019 Preschool Budget. This budget will also be moving to a fiscal budget so this is for the first 6 months of 2019. Dr. Brewer did not add additional funds at this time. There will be a need to add a couple of additional teacher assistants as some of the programs are growing. A motion was made by Mrs. Rogers to approve the Preschool budget as presented. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A resolution was presented to move the funds left in the transportation fund to the operations fund as of January 1, 2019. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to approve the resolution. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Personnel Update – Dr. Brewer would like to employ Katie Thomas as a temporary evaluation assistant through January 17th. She will be helping with the on-line psychologists. A motion was made by Mr. Galey and seconded by Mrs. Rogers to approve this employment. Motion carried.

The preschool update was presented. The Lawrenceburg class is growing and the need to transition some of the preschool students into Kindergarten will help. An additional assistant may be necessary to facilitate this. The program at Jac-Cen-Del is also growing and an additional assistant will be added in the future.

Dr. Brewer presented information regarding the funding of the special education programs. There are several things to consider.

1. Sharing of the South Ripley/Jac-Cen-Del severe disabilities program.
2. How much of ROD services are going to each corporation
3. Other shared programs/services
4. Move to using special education numbers vs. total population to determine ADM
5. MOE

It was determined that there will be a work session held after the regular meeting on January 15th to discuss this further.

Dr. Brewer presented information about the meeting held to discuss local dyslexia procedures. The group met in December and will meet again to discuss screeners, forms, who to screen, etc. Much of what is to be done is tied to guidance developed by DOE. Many superintendents received good feedback about the meeting.

Public Comments – none

A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to adjourn. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.