

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

April 18, 2023

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at the South Dearborn Community Schools Administration Building. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey – Lawrenceburg, Eric Lows – South Dearborn, Sam Melton – Jac-Cen-Del, Rob Moorhead – South Ripley, Branden Roeder - Rising Sun, Jane Rogers – Milan, and Alex Brewer - ROD.

The Board met in executive session from 9:00 a.m. to 9:25 a.m. in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) and IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7). The Board discussed only the subject matter specified during the executive session.

The meeting was called to order at 9:28 a.m. by Jane Rogers.

Public Comments – none

Dr. Brewer presented the agenda. An item needs to be added under Action Items – Create a Deposit Account with Trust Indiana. A motion was made by Mr. Galey to approve the agenda. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consent Items –

The minutes of the March 21, 2023 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to approve. Mr. Lows seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financial report was given by Marcia Fullenkamp. Federal grant reimbursements were provided for the Board. The revision for the FY 2023 611 grant was approved by DOE. All requested information for the DOE Desktop Fiscal Audit has been provided. Claims 123552-123593 were presented for payment along with payroll vouchers. A motion was made by Mr. Melton to approve the claims for payment. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Action Items –

Personnel Update – Dr. Brewer presented Britney Laker for the position of full time Speech/Language Pathologist for next school year. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to approve the recommendation. Mr. Moorhead seconded the motion. Mr. Brewer said by hiring Britney we will not need to have a contracted therapist. Motion carried.

Deposit Account with Trust Indiana – Dr. Brewer provided the Registration packet and information regarding average monthly balances. If approved, the initial deposit would be \$250,000 and would be adjusted when participating shares are received. A motion was made by Mr. Galey to approve opening the account with Trust Indiana. Mr. Melton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Informational Items –

Preschool Update – the update was provided. Referrals are still coming in especially since kindergarten roundup has been taking place.

Discussion Items –

ROD Cooperative Updates –

1. Legislative Update – asking for an increase in APC and SEEC money.
Transition Fair – April 25, 2023 at Milan High School. Please share with your schools so that information can be sent home to the parents.
2. Paraprofessional Training – tentative date is July 27, 2023 at Ivy Tech.
3. CPI training – tentative date for summer training is July 26, 2023.

Job Description for Behavior Analyst – Dr. Brewer is proposing to add a job description for the Behavior Analyst due to more specific duties including evaluating students using specific tests, supervision of RBT(s), and must hold a BCBA degree. The job description will be brought to the next meeting for approval.

Dr. Brewer inquired about moving to Gmail from Outlook. He was directed to contact 5-Star to get the process started.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.