

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

June 15, 2021

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at the South Dearborn Administration Building. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey – Lawrenceburg, Eric Lows – South Dearborn, Ryan Middleton – Jac-Cen-Del, Rob Moorhead – South Ripley, Alex Brewer and Missy Jones - ROD. Branden Roeder – Rising Sun and Jane Rogers – Milan, were absent..

The Board met in executive session from 9:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. to discuss matters as provided for by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(a)(2)(A) and I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(a)(9). The Board discussed only the subject matter specified during executive session.

The meeting was called to order at 9:49 by Karl Galey.

The agenda was presented by Dr. Brewer. Action Items – two items need to be added, Increase Stipend amount and Transfer of Funds from Education Fund to Operations and Preschool. A motion to approve the revised agenda was made by Mr. Moorhead. Mr. Middleton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the May 18, 2021 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Lows and seconded by Mr. Moorhead to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The financial report was given by Marcia Fullenkamp. Federal reimbursement requests were provided. Semi-annual certification forms were distributed. These are to be signed and kept with the federal grant information. We will have the FY21 611 grant expended at the end of June. The FY21 619 grant will be finished in July. Claims 122449-122506 along with payroll vouchers were presented for payment. A motion was made by Mr. Lows and seconded by Mr. Middleton to approve the claims. Motion carried.

Action Items –

1. Mr. Galey presented an increase to the stipend discussed at the last meeting from \$500 to \$1,000 based on the number of days worked. The motion was made by Mr. Moorhead. Mr. Lows seconded the motion. Discussion followed that the Board looked at the local corporation information and felt that this was closer to what was being given locally. Motion carried.
2. Dr. Brewer asked for a transfer of funds at the end of June from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund and the Preschool fund to bring these accounts to zero. This had been presented as part of the budget last year. A motion was made by Mr. Middleton and seconded by Mr. Lows. Motion carried.

Discussion Items –

1. 2021-2022 Budget Discussion – Dr. Brewer discussed that we have not received the federal allocations and this has made it difficult to prepare an accurate budget. We will present the budget in July after receiving the information from DOE.
2. ROD Cooperative Updates –
 - a. There are 14 teachers/paraprofessionals that will be attending virtual HANDS training this summer. There will be training for paraprofessionals at the beginning of school. For those who will already be in session, another training will be held over fall break.
 - b. We will be transitioning the academic portion of our evaluations to a computer administration model. Some of the evaluation materials are being updated so now is a good time to do this. This will help the evaluator know what tests to give by scoring the tests as they are given. We will transition the psychologists to this when tests are revised/updated. We are exploring grant opportunities for technology.

Public Comments – none

Dr. Brewer read a thank you note from Debbie Wasinger who retired after 48 years of service to the cooperative.

Next meeting will be July 20, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the South Dearborn Administration Office.

Meeting adjourned at 10:06.