

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

September 20, 2022

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at the South Dearborn Administration Building. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey – Lawrenceburg, Eric Lows – South Dearborn, Lana Miller – South Ripley, Branden Roeder – Rising Sun, Jane Rogers – Milan, Fred Unsicker – Jac-Cen-Del, and Alex Brewer - ROD.

The Board met in executive session from 9:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m. in accordance with 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 9:30 a.m. by Jane Rogers.

Public Comments – Trina Schutte wanted to thank the teachers and paraprofessionals that came to the training for the new curriculum for the Intense Academic classrooms.

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Mr. Galey. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. There were no changes to the agenda. Motion carried.

Consent Items –

The minutes of the August 16, 2022 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Unsicker to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Lows seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financial report was given by Marcia Fullenkamp. The federal grant reimbursements were provided. The approval letters for the ARPA grant revision and the FY 2023 619 grants were also provided. We are still waiting for approval of the FY 2023 611 grant. Claims 123169-123232, along with payroll claims, were presented for payment. A motion was made by Mr. Lows to approve the claims for payment. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Action Items –

Dr. Brewer presented a revised contract for Michelle Thomas. She has asked that her days be reduced from 185 to 171. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to approved the reduction in days. Mr. Lows seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Informational Items –

First reading of Policy for Out of District Placements – Dr. Brewer explained that there is no current policy but he reviewed Administrative Guideline, AG6320J which discusses eligible costs billed to the cooperative. Discussion followed regarding SEEC contracts and the costs to corporations. It was determined that the Administrative Guideline will be revised to include language about costs incurred from SEEC contracts. The new guideline will be retroactive to April 1, 2022.

The Preschool update was presented. Classes are filling up.

Discussion Items –

ROD Cooperative Updates –

1. CPI training dates have been set up and will be distributed to administrators.
2. Public Agency Rep Training – Dr. Brewer will develop a video for this training.
3. ESY – some students may need ESY to help them prepare for the coming year. It would help those students who struggle with the routine at the beginning of the year. Please contact ROD if there are students who could benefit from ESY services.
4. Intense Academic Classrooms Picnic – this will be held Friday, September 23 at Versailles State Park beginning at 10:00 a.m. All are invited to the picnic.
5. December 1 count is fast approaching. We will be working with data coordinators to start cleaning up data.

Meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.