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

April 18, 2017

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at the South Dearborn Superintendent's Office. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey - Lawrenceburg, Andrew Jackson - Sunman-Dearborn, Paul Ketcham - Batesville, John Mehrle - South Dearborn, Rob Moorhead - South Ripley, Branden Roeder - Rising Sun, Jane Rogers - Milan, Tim Taylor - Jac-Cen-Del and Alex Brewer -ROD.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Moorhead at 9:00 a.m.

Dr. Brewer presented the agenda for approval. Mrs. Rogers made a motion to approve. Dr. Mehrle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Taylor to approve as presented. Dr. Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented by Marcia Fullenkamp. A modification to the FY2016 Federal Preschool budget was requested from DOE and approval was received. The modification was necessary to adjust line item budget amounts. The federal grant reimbursement requests were distributed. Claims 119273-119330, along with the payroll vouchers, were presented for payment. A motion was made by Mr. Ketcham to approve the financial report and the claims for payment. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Personnel Update - Dr. Brewer is recommending Chris Dittmer for the position of Behavior Consultant. Currently she is an Educational Consultant and has a background in teaching students with emotional disabilities at South Dearborn High School along with working closely with the HANDS in Autism program. A motion was made by Dr. Mehrle to approve the transfer to the Behavior Consultant program. Dr. Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The preschool update was presented. The classes are increasing in size. With current and projected enrollment, it appears that the classes at North Dearborn and Batesville will need to add another class for the 2017-2018 school year. Dr. Brewer informed the Board that with the increased classroom needs that it may be necessary to add preschool into the next general fund budget which will be presented in June. Recommendations will be made at that time for classes.

NEOLA policy updates (vol. 29 no. 1) were presented for a first reading. Dr. Brewer has also been in contact with Karen Sharp about some sections of the NEOLA policies that address school and student issues as the cooperative doesn't have students. These may be removed from the ROD policies.

The Transition Fair is scheduled for April 25th at Lawrenceburg High School. This will focus on services for students and parents.

Public Comments - none

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th at 9:00 a.m. at South Dearborn Superintendent's Office.

A motion was made by Mr. Ketcham to adjourn. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m.