

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

February 19, 2019

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 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, Ryan Middleton – 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. until 9:07 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 9:10 a.m.

The agenda was presented by Dr. Brewer. Mr. Galey questioned whether the withdrawal listed under informational items should be under action items. Dr. Jackson said that there was no action needed by the ROD Board. Mr. Moorhead made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to approve the minutes as presented. Mrs. Rogers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financial report was given by Marcia Fullenkamp. The modification approval had been received for the FY 2018 619 Preschool grant. A copy was provided to the Board. The balance in the transportation fund was transferred to the Operations fund per the resolution approved in December. Claims 120789-120860 along with the payroll claims were presented for payment. A motion was made by Mr. Galey to approve the financial report. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Information Items – Sunman-Dearborn has submitted a letter to Dr. Brewer stating that they will be withdrawing from the ROD Cooperative as of June 30, 2020. Dr. Brewer has not received a formal notification from Batesville but has spoken with Mr. Ketcham who confirmed that they would also be withdrawing from the Cooperative as of June 30, 2020. Mr. Ketcham assured the Board that a letter will be in Dr. Brewer's possession prior to March 1st. Dr. Brewer read Article IX from the Interlocal Agreement about the withdrawal process from the cooperative. Schools withdrawing must fully participate in the 2019-2020 school year.

The preschool update was presented. Students who will be going to kindergarten have been designated on the update. Dr. Brewer has received some paraprofessional requests that he needs to approve.

Personnel – Dr. Brewer is recommending hiring Kendra Fluegeman as the Evaluation Assistant through the end of the school year to help with the psychologists from Voco-Vision. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to approve the new employment. Mr. Galey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer presented the 2019-2020 school calendar. Staff will be able to adjust their calendar to meet the needs of their respective schools due to differences across all calendars. A motion was made by Mrs. Rogers to accept the proposed calendar. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A letter was presented from Dr. Jackson to resign as the President of the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to accept the resignation. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Ketcham also asked to resign his position as Vice-President of the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to accept the resignation. Mr. Galey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Currently, officers remain in office for two years. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to nominate Mr. Galey to President, Mrs. Rogers to Vice-President and Mr. Middleton to Secretary for a two year term. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. Brewer updated the Board on upcoming training opportunities.

1. Dyslexia group will meet today to continue discussion regarding procedures. Dyslexia training – each corporation will need to have a trained person on staff. Orton-Gillingham is an approved training. There are two companies that can provide this training over the summer. Dr. Brewer will get this scheduled.
2. IEP trainings will be held later this month. They are ½ day trainings that will focus on the FBA/BIP process and how to conduct a case conference meeting.
3. HANDS training will be provided again this summer at Sunman-Dearborn. It will be held June 17-21. Please let ROD know if you have any new teachers that you would like to have trained.
4. DOE Data Retreat is February 22nd. Information was sent out on Monday.

Public Comments – There were no comments.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 19th at 9:00 a.m. at the South Dearborn Central office.

A motion was made by Mr. Roeder to adjourn. Mr. Moorhead seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.