

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

May 19, 2015

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at the Special Education Center. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey-Lawrenceburg, Paul Ketcham-Milan, John Mehrle-South Dearborn, Rob Moorhead-South Ripley, Jim Roberts-Batesville, Branden Roeder-Rising Sun, John Williams-Sunman Dearborn, and Cheryl Corning-ROD.

Dr. Mehrle called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

The minutes of the April 21, 2015 meeting were presented. A motion was made by Dr. Williams to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented. There continues to be negative balances in the federal grants due to having to wait for reimbursement from the State. Ms. Corning will be setting up an in-service on Autism in September for mild disabilities teachers. This will be paid for from the federal technical assistance grant. A motion was made by Mr. Moorhead to approve the financial report. Mr. Roeder seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims 117632-117703 were presented for payment. An updated voucher register was explained. A motion was made by Mr. Ketcham to approve the claims for payment. Mr. Moorhead seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Personnel Update - Ms. Corning has interviewed an applicant for the position of interpreter. She has received the application but is waiting on a few other documents. A motion was made by Dr. Williams to allow Ms. Corning to hire the interpreter after appropriate documents and signatures are acquired. Mr. Ketcham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Preschool Updated - The preschool updates were presented. Discussion followed. Classes will continue as is for the start of the school year. Mr. Galey requested that all Lawrenceburg students who are to receive speech therapy services receive them at Lawrenceburg Primary school with the corporation therapist.

Funding of Teachers and Paraprofessionals - Ms. Corning presented the document that had been approved by the Board at the May, 2014 board meeting stating how programs should be reimbursed based on student population. Discussion followed. Mr. Galey asked how is will be monitored and how much time will be given to correct if a problem is discovered. Dr. Roberts suggested using the October 1, December 1, and April 1 count dates as the benchmark to determine if guidelines are being followed. If a problem is found, the school would have 30 days to fix the issue as suggested by Dr. Roberts. It was recommended that the changes be

incorporated in the current document and be brought back to the Board for approval. Ms. Corning will do this and bring to the June meeting for approval.

Due to other issues, there is a need to change the June meeting date. The June meeting will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Career Center at 11:30 a.m. The July meeting will be on the original date of July 21.

Ms. Corning will be scheduling administrator meetings and meetings for new teachers. Dr. Roberts suggested keeping it near the same dates as this past school year. Ms. Corning will finalize the dates and email this to the superintendents and principals.

Other information provided by Ms. Corning included:

1. Just a reminder of the summer school program for HI preschool students. It will be 2 days a week at the ROD office.
2. Teacher assistant request have been determined and will be sent out to the principals and superintendents within the next few days.

No public comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Galey to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Roeder. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.