

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

July 16, 2013

The meeting of the Ripley-Ohio-Dearborn Special Education Cooperative Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at the Special Education Center. Those in attendance were: Karl Galey-Lawrenceburg, Jeff Hendrix-Sunman Dearborn, Paul Ketcham-Milan, John Mehrle-South Dearborn, Rob Moorhead-South Ripley, Steve Patz-Rising Sun, Leanna Phillippe-JacCenDel, Jim Roberts-Batesville, and Cheryl Corning-ROD.

The Board met in executive session from 9:05 a.m. until 9:20 a.m. to discuss personnel matters as provided for by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6-1(b)(1) & (b)(2)(A). The Board discussed only the subject matter specified during executive session.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Patz at 9:24 a.m.

The minutes of the June 11, 2013 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Dr. Roberts and seconded by Mr. Galey to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The financial report was presented. A request for reimbursement will be submitted to DOE.

Claims 115983-116038 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Dr. Mehrle to approve the claims. Dr. Phillippe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Corning presented two staff members for employment. Janice Huter, School Psychologist, and Sara Sharpe, School Psychology Intern. Discussion followed about salary and stipend. Ms. Huter will receive the \$3,500 stipend as a school psychologist. Ms. Sharpe will not. A motion was made by Dr. Hendrix to approve the hiring of these two people. Dr. Mehrle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reorganization of the Cooperative - Dr. Phillippe nominated Steve Patz to serve as president, John Mehrle as vice-president and Rob Moorhead as secretary for one year. Dr. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other items presented included:

1. NEOLA policies - While developing these policies, it will be important that local corporations may need to update their policies to reflect appropriate language.
2. Staff Incident Report - the revised form was presented to be used in each school.
3. Confidentiality Form - Board asked that consequences be added to the form and that a reference is made to the NEOLA policy with a disclaimer - pending ROD approval.
4. Ms. Corning asked for the names of the new principals and email addresses.
5. Maintenance of Effort (MOE) will be sent to the local treasurers for completion.
6. Class lists were distributed for each building.
7. Mr. Galey asked that Mike Nevells, Go Solutions, attend our August meeting to update all corporations on the benefits of billing for services.
8. Dr. Hendrix asked that a policy be developed through NEOLA in regards to a student transferring to another corporation. If the student cannot be counted for reimbursement, the sending district would be responsible for the costs. Ms. Corning with check into this.

Public Comments - Steve Wagner, ROD association representative, wanted to know who would be part of the bargaining committee. Mr. Patz will be doing this. Any other board member is welcome to be a part of the bargaining also. Dr. Wagner also wanted to let the Board know that the reason there were several staff members at the last meeting was due to the fact that they cannot attend during the school year due to work responsibilities. With the meeting being during non-work hours they were able to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.