

EAST CENTRAL INDIANA SPECIAL SERVICES

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

East Central Special Services

107 Layman Street

Liberty, IN 47353

Minutes from the December 7, 2020 Meeting

Members present: Dr. Debbie Howell, Dr. George Philhower, Dr. Matthew Hicks, Mr. Aron Borowiak, Ms. Mort Maurer and Mrs. Liza Bates. Ms. Tammy Chavis was also in attendance.

1. Call to Order

Dr. Philhower called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M.

2. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Howell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. Hicks seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Borowiak moved to accept the agenda, Dr. Hicks seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Financial Report

Mrs. Bates provided information to the board regarding Adjusted Pupil Count (APC) funding for this year: Level 1, \$9,156; Level 2, \$2,300; Level 3, \$500, and Preschool, \$3,000.

Mrs. Bates shared an update regarding funds received by each district for Medicaid Administrative Claiming.

5. New Business

A. Special Education Administrator Contracts

Dr. Howell made a motion to approve a 2% increase to the special education administrator contracts, retroactive to July 1, 2020. Dr. Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Degree Reimbursement Plan

Mrs. Bates shared samples of degree reimbursement plans with the board and recommended one of the plans that had been provided by Church, Church, Hittle, and Antrim (CCHA). Dr. Hicks made a motion to empower Mrs. Bates to use the CCHA degree reimbursement plan for the Blind/Low Vision position. Mr. Borowiak seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Discussion Items

A. Results Driven Accountability (RDA)

Mrs. Bates shared RDA data with each superintendent for their respective district. All four corporations received the highest rating, "met requirements." Compliance for each corporation was found to be 100%. Mrs. Bates shared that some testing timelines were missed due to COVID, but that the DOE did not penalize corporations for this or require corrective action. More information will be provided at the next meeting regarding state assessment results.

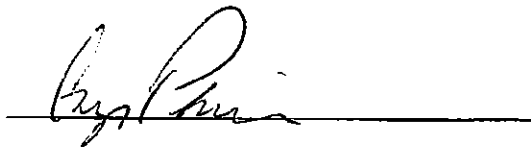
B. Rural Schools Grant Opportunity

Mrs. Bates provided information about this grant opportunity that was sent to all four participating districts. Mr. Borowiak shared that Union County is applying for this grant.

7. Adjournment

Mrs. Bates and members of the board thanked Dr. Howell for her service and support to the cooperative. Dr. Hicks moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 A.M., seconded by Dr. Howell. The motion carried 4-0.

Next Meeting: January 11, 2021, 9:30 AM, East Central



Chairperson