

**EAST CENTRAL INDIANA SPECIAL SERVICES**

**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

**East Central Special Services**

**107 Layman Street**

**Liberty, IN 47353**

**Minutes from the January 27, 2025 Meeting**

Members present: Mr. Andy Stover, Mr. John Edge, Dr. Matthew Hicks, Mr. Dustin Gehring, and Mrs. Liza Bates.

**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Stover called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

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

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Dr. Hicks made a motion to approve the proposed agenda. Mr. Gehring seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**4. Financial Report**

Mrs. Bates shared an overview of expenditures for the previous month and presented accompanying documents for the board to review. Mrs. Bates reported that the FY2025 grants will be opened and used for January 2025 expenditures.

**5. Director's Report**

Mrs. Bates reported on the professional development opportunities that have been provided to staff from participating districts thus far this school year. Manifestation determination information was also provided. An organizational chart for East Central staff was reviewed and discussed.

**6. New Business**

**A. East Central - Insurance Renewal**

Dr. Hicks made a motion to approve the insurance renewal presented. Mr. Gehring seconded. Motion carried, 4-0.

**B. East Central Administering Corporation/Local Education Agency - Date of Change**

Dr. Hicks made a motion for this transition to occur on July 1, 2025. Mr. Gehring seconded the motion. Motion carried, 4-0.

### **C. Joint Program Services Contract - School Psychology Services**

Dr. Hicks made a motion to provisionally approve this contract pending review and approval by the attorney. Mr. Edge seconded. Motion carried, 4-0.

### **D. Personnel - Stephanie Riley, Letter of Employment - Coursework Update**

Mr. Gehring made a motion to continue Mrs. Riley's letter of employment through the end of the 2024-2025 school year. Dr. Hicks seconded. Motion carried, 4-0.

## **7. Discussion Items**

### **A. IU East School Psychology Program**

Mrs. Bates shared information about this program with the board.

### **B. Behavior Grant Update**

Mrs. Bates reported that these grants were submitted on December 31. Corporations will be notified later this spring if their applications were approved.

### **C. Professional Development**

#### **a. Public Agency Representative Training**

This training is open to all participating districts and will be held on January 28.

#### **b. MTSS**

The middle school MTSS workgroup will meet on January 30.

#### **c. Unified Field Day**

This event will be held on May 16 at Union County High School.

#### **d. Powerschool IEP Program**

Training will be available this spring/summer to prepare for this transition.

#### **e. Back to School Bootcamp**

This event is being planned for the week before school starts.

## **8. Board Comments**

## **9. Adjournment**

Dr. Hicks moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 A.M., seconded by Mr. Gehring. The motion carried 4-0.

 , Chairperson