

EAST CENTRAL INDIANA SPECIAL SERVICES

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

East Central Special Services

107 Layman Street

Liberty, IN 47353

Minutes from the January 24, 2023 Meeting

Members present: Ms. Tammy Chavis, Dr. Matthew Hicks, Mr. John Edge, and Mrs. Liza Bates.

1. Call to Order

Dr. Hicks called the meeting to order at 11:37 A.M.

2. Presentation - Diana Bourne, Epic

Ms. Bourne provided information to the board on an insurance proposal from EMC.

3. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Chavis made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Edge seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

4. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Chavis made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Mr. Edge seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

5. Financial Report

Mrs. Bates shared an overview of expenditures for the previous month and presented accompanying documents for the board to review. Mr. Edge asked about a report he received from his treasurer regarding expenditures and reimbursements.

6. Director's Report

Mrs. Bates shared information about current staffing with the board.

7. New Business

A. East Central Insurance Coverage

Ms. Chavis made a motion to accept the insurance proposal from EMC and discontinue coverage with Liberty Mutual. Mr. Edge seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

B. East Central Staffing, 2023-2024

The board discussed staffing for the upcoming school year and agreed to table the discussion pending further information.

C. Educational Costs Reimbursement Loan Agreement - Jessica Baker, SLPA

Ms. Chavis made a motion to make no adjustments to the loan agreement approved at the last meeting. Mr. Edge seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

D. Stipend for Certificated Staff

Ms. Chavis made a motion to provide a stipend to East Central teachers in the amounts provided from the Teacher Appreciation Grant to Union County teachers out of the IDEA grant funds.. Motion seconded by Mr. Edge. Motion carried 3-0.

8. Discussion Items

A. Amendment to the Bargaining Unit

Mr. Edge updated the board on the steps taken and to be taken by Union County Schools regarding this matter.

B. LEA Compensation Fee

The board clarified that costs associated with the LEA compensation fee will be tracked and compiled for fiscal year 2023.

C. Special Education Administrative Assistant

Ms. Bates will gather information regarding the compensation provided to special education administrative assistants in other comparable districts.

9. Board Comments

No comments.

10. Adjournment

Ms. Chavis moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:06 P.M., seconded by Mr. Edge. The motion carried 3-0.

Chairperson