EAST CENTRAL INDIANA SPECIAL SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

East Central Special Services
215 East Parkway Drive
Cambridge City, IN 47327

Minutes from the August 18, 2025 Meeting

Members present: Mr. Dustin Gehring, Ms. Kelly Plank, Ms. Jennifer O'Brien, and Ms. Liza Bates. Mr. Daniel Noel participated in the meeting from 9:00 A.M. until adjournment.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Gehring called the meeting to order at 8:35 A.M.

2. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Plank made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. O'Brien seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

3. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Plank made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Ms. O'Brien seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

4. Financial Report

Ms. Bates shared an overview of expenditures for the previous month and presented accompanying documents for the board to review. Ms. Bates reviewed the various special education funding sources with the board.

5. Director's Report

Mrs. Bates provided information related to the professional development provided to the participating corporations and other activities that have occurred over the past month.

6. New Business

A. 2025-2026 Board Officers

Ms. Plank made a motion to accept the slate of officers presented: President, Kelly Plank; Vice President, Dustin Gehring, and Secretary, Jennifer O'Brien. Ms. O'Brien seconded the motion. Motion carried, 4-0.

B. 2025-2026 Board Calendar

Mr. Gehring made a motion to approve the board calendar as discussed. Ms. Plank seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Personnel - Makaylee Woods, Speech Language Pathologist

Ms. Plank made a motion to approve Ms. Woods as a speech language pathologist for the cooperative for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. Gehring seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Personnel - Kailey Winchester, Coordinator

Ms. O'Brien made a motion to approve Ms. Winchester as a special education coordinator for the cooperative for the 2025-2026 school year. Ms. Plank seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

E. LEA Transition

This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

7. Discussion Items

A. Upcoming Professional Development

Mrs. Bates updated the board on plans for summer training for administrators and special education teachers.

B. RBT Training

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

8. Board Comments

9. Adjournment

Ms. Plank moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 A.M., seconded by Mr. Noel. The motion carried 4-0.

______________________________, Chairperson