## **EAST CENTRAL INDIANA SPECIAL SERVICES**

### **GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

# **East Central Special Services**

### 107 Layman Street

Liberty, IN 47353

## Minutes from the August 17, 2021 Meeting

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

### 1. Call to Order

Mr. Borowiak called the meeting to order at 12:32 P.M.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

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

### 3. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Chavis made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Hicks seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

### 4. Financial Report

Mrs. Bates shared the electronic version of the financial packet with the board. She reviewed the grant and state/local fund accounts. She discussed the preschool and nonpublic school reimbursement processes.

### 5. Director's Report

Mrs. Bates shared information about the 2021-2022 meetings/trainings that have been held thus far by the cooperative: back to school meetings with special education teachers in each district, meetings with administrators in most districts, as well as new teacher orientation/training, and CPI.

### 6. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Maurer shared that she is working with new staff regarding upcoming case conferences, including move-ins and annual case reviews. She is also working with preschool staff regarding ISPROUT training.

## 7. New Business

## A. Personnel: Kelsey Powell, Speech Language Pathologist

Dr. Hicks made a motion to approve the hire of Kelsey Powell, seconded by Ms. Chavis. Motion carried 3-0.

### **B. Special Education Program Evaluation**

Dr. Hicks made a motion to approve the special education program evaluation proposal, seconded by Ms. Chavis. Motion carried 3-0.

## C. East Central Professional Development Plan

Dr. Hicks made a motion to approve the proposed professional development plan, seconded by Ms. Chavis. Motion carried 3-0.

## D. Special Education Director Job Description

Ms. Chavis made a motion to approve the special education director job description with the removal of blind/low vision services teacher of record, seconded by Dr. Hicks. Motion carried 3-0.

## E. Special Education Director Evaluation Tool

This item was tabled to allow board members to contribute to the development of the special education director evaluation tool.

### F. 2021-2022 Governing Board Meeting Calendar

Ms. Chavis made a motion to approve the calendar with the agreed upon changes, seconded by Dr. Hicks. Motion carried 3-0.

### 8. Discussion Items

### A. Insurance Coverage - ESCRFT

Mrs. Bates shared that coverage via ESCRFT is not available for special education cooperatives. She reminded the board that 50% of the member districts must maintain the same insurance provider in order for that company to also offer coverage to the cooperative.

### B. Job Descriptions/Evaluation Tools for East Central Staff

Mrs. Bates shared that job descriptions/evaluations for each of the special education cooperative staff members' roles will be reviewed and updated, then presented to the board for approval in the upcoming months.

#### 9. Board Comments

No comments.

## 10. Adjournment

Dr. Hicks moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:34 PM, seconded by Ms. Chavis. The motion carried 3-0.

Next Meeting: September 24, 2021, 9:30 AM, East Central

Chairperson