

EAST CENTRAL KANSAS COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION

April 10, 2018 BOARD MINUTES

The regular meeting of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education Board of Directors was held April 10, 2018 at the Cooperative Central Office, Baldwin City, Kansas.

Members present: Mike Kelso, Chris Perry, Shane Pruitt, Lynn Reazin, Dawn Whalen, Susan Schiffelbein, Daniel Wray, Director, and Shelly McCart, Clerk of the Board.

Members Absent:

Additional Attendees: Eloise Kerbs.

Mike Kelso, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Public Comment

Eloise Kerbs asked about the META system and receiving emails regarding missed punches for her paras that are not in the current pay period.

Opening Business

Agenda Approval

Lynn Reazin made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.

Approval of the March 20, 2018 Regular Board Minutes

Lynn Reazin made a motion to approve the March 20, 2018 regular board meeting minutes. Susan Schiffelbein seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.

Approval of the Financial Report and Disbursements

Lynn Reazin made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented. Shane Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.

Old Business

- No old business to be addressed at this meeting.

New Business

- Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the KASB Consultant Service Contract for the Legal Assistance Fund. Susan Schiffelbein seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.
- Lynn Reazin made a motion to approve the hiring of a Behavior Specialist for the Coop. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.
- Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve a retention bonus of \$1000 for each Occupational Therapist. Chris Perry seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.

Director's Reports

- Personnel-Paraprofessional support is fully staffed.
I have recommended one candidate for approval to fill the second-grade resource position at the Baldwin Primary Center. The WEBS teacher vacancy will be interviewed for on April 12th. Kathryn Kerner will fill the IR vacancy at Baldwin High School and have interviewed for her Life Skills position. The opening at the ECSE in Eudora and the IR at Baldwin Junior High are filled. Still need to fill the Autism position in Eudora and a .5 Gifted teacher for Baldwin.
Proposal for a Behavior Specialist to serve all 3 districts and support all school teams in development, adjustment, and monitoring Behavior Intervention Plans.
- The paraprofessional staff was delivered a Starbucks Frappuccino drink for Para Appreciation Day on Wednesday the 4th.
- End of the year conferences should be completed by April 15th with the certified staff.
- With the funding attached to the passing of House Bill 2445 and Senate Bill 423 on Saturday, no increase to the assessments, other than WEBS, should be necessary.
- Still awaiting the results on our budget audit appeal from KSDE on teacher reimbursement and transportation.
- Negotiation letters were exchanged with the NEA on March 30th and are awaiting discussion once there is clarity in Congress as to a budget passage.
- Board Handbook and Interlocal Agreement revisions for review are still in progress.
- The health insurance renewal is anticipated by the end of April. The McInnes Group will likely represent the Coop again to help keep the rates as low as possible.

Executive Session

No Executive Session necessary.

Action on Personnel

Lynn Reazin made a motion to accept the revised certified and paraprofessional resignations and hires as presented. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Lynn Reazin made a motion to adjourn. Shane Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

These minutes are subject to final approval at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Shelly McCart, Clerk of the Board

Action on Personnel

Resignations

Paraprofessionals:

Susan Chaney, WES
Laetitia Old, EES
Salena Martinez, EES
Matthew Weiss, BJHS

Certified:

Kayla Zellars, EES Autism
Kristina Poracsky, EES EC
Mary Bessey, Baldwin/Wellsville Gifted
Loretta Lauinger, BPC IR
Michelle Johnson, BJHS IR

New Hires

Certified:

Liz Koerner, BPC IR