

EAST CENTRAL KANSAS COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION

June 13, 2017 BOARD MINUTES

The regular meeting of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education Board of Directors was held June 13, 2017 at the Cooperative Central Office, Baldwin City, Kansas.

Members present: Greg Kruger, Mike Kelso, Lynn Reazin, Ivan Huntoon, Dawn Whalen, Daniel Wray, Director and Shelly McCart, Clerk of the Board.

Members absent: Juanita Peckham.

Additional Attendees: Loretta Lauinger and Eloise Kerbs.

Mike Kelso, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None.

Opening Business

Agenda Approval

Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

Approval of the May 9, 2017 Regular Board Minutes

Greg Kruger made a motion to approve the May 9, 2017 regular board meeting minutes. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

Approval of the Financial Report and Disbursements

Greg Kruger requested a breakdown of the VISA charges/bills for future reports. Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business

- Greg Kruger made a motion to approve the Benefits Consulting Contract with the McInnes Group. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

New Business

- Lynn Reazin made a motion to approve the Quantum Health Professionals Contract for Physical Therapy. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.
- Retention Bonuses for Psychs, SLPs, and OTs was tabled for discussion in executive session.
- The 12-month para pay will be discontinued at the end of summer. An alternative option will be offered. This is a practice change and did not require a vote.

- Differentiated pay for paras in the higher needs positions- Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the increase. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Director's Reports

- All certified open positions have been filled to date except for Early Childhood, which has been interviewed for and should be filled soon.
- ESY began on June 12th with all paras and teachers in place. The new time clocks have been implemented for ESY.
- The Coop will be eliminating the 12 month pay option for paras effective at the end of the summer.
- Differentiated pay scale for paras working in higher needs positions (WEBS, Autism, Life Skills) would receive an additional \$.25 per hour starting 2017-18 to compensate for their additional duties/risks/training.
- Categorical Aid will increase by \$750 next year, so preliminary budget calculations can begin.
- Findings from the second formal state complaint were received and no violations were found.
- Board consideration of the Benefits Consulting Contract with the McInnes Group for one year to assist the cooperative in negotiating and managing the health insurance.
- Negotiations are nearing completion.
- Handbooks are still in revision.

Executive Session Needed

Dawn Whalen made a motion to go into executive session for 5 minutes at 8:10 p.m. with the Board members and Director Daniel Wray to discuss personnel matters. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Ivan Huntoon made a motion to extend the executive session for 3 minutes at 8:15 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Ivan Huntoon made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes at 8:18 p.m. with the board members and Director Daniel Wray to discuss negotiations. Greg Kruger seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Greg Kruger made a motion to extend the executive session for 5 minutes at 8:28 p.m. to discuss negotiations. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board reconvened into open session at 8:33 p.m.

Action on Personnel

Resignations – Dawn Whalen made a motion to accept the resignations as presented. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Certified Contracts – Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the certified contracts as presented. Ivan Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Ivan Huntoon made a motion to adjourn. Dawn Whalen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted By
Shelly McCart, Clerk of the Board

Unofficial

Action on Personnel

New Hires/Changes

Paraprofessionals:

Rebecca Todd - change to FT- BPC start 8/1/17
Dallas King - EHS WEBS start 8/1/17
Brooke Shorb - BIC start 8/1/17
Jennifer Reavis - transfer from BIC to EES start 8/1/17
Breanna Wuertz - EES start 8/1/17
Jalayne Culbertson - BPC start 8/1/17
Sara Osborn - BPC start 8/1/17
Tyler Bastress - WMS/WHS start 8/1/17
Amanda Sedlick - EES start 8/1/17
Tracy Russell - change to PEP BPC start 8/1/17
Jackie Lamson - change to PEP BPC start 8/1/17
Kathy Seimears - WMS/WHS start 8/1/17
Sue Martin - EMS start 8/1/17

Certified:

Rachel Braga - IRR 4th-5th BIC start 8/1/17
Camille Kerr - IRR 9th-12th EHS start 8/1/17
Dee Steinbach - Baldwin OT start 8/1/17
Kathryn Kerner - LS BHS start 8/1/17
Rhonda Kasper - Wellsville SLP start 8/1/17
Vicki Ulrich - Sub for D. Medlock EES start 8/1/17
Makayla Epp - LS EHS start 8/1/17

Resignations

Paraprofessionals:

Jennifer Sikes - BJHS effective 5/16/17
Blair Gordon - EHS effective 5/15/17
Ciara Luedecke - BIC effective 5/16/17
Karen Thomas - WMS effective 5/18/17
Allyson Sass - BPC effective 5/16/17
Denise Pemberton - WHS effective 5/18/17
Patricia Johnson - WMS effective 5/18/17
Amanda Knorr - EES effective 5/15/17
Heidi Elliot - EES effective 6/5/17
Joan Toot - WHS effective 6/5/17
Ashlee Calfy - EES effective 6/12/17

Certified:

Jessica Iverson - BPC effective 5/17/17