

Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative

Board Meeting

March 28, 2018

The Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative held its monthly meeting on March 28, 2018 At 10:00 A.M. in the CIV I conference room.

The following were in attendance Johnnie Johnson, Gary Williams, Kristi Ridgell, Dr. Lynn Dardenne, Billy Williams, Kelvin Gragg, Tracy Streeter, Dr. Tracy Tucker, Dr. Billy Adams, Chris Ferrell, Sandra Lanehart, Jon Laffoon, Bryan Cornish and Dudley Hume.

Others in attendance were Karen Eoff, Director, Karen Roberts, Kathy Cameron, Scotty Holderfield, Michele Sadler, Johnny Keys, Commissioner, Dr. Ivy Pfeffer and Dr. Jeremy Owoh.

The meeting was called to order by Kelvin Gragg, President.

Personnel Items & Purchased Service items were discussed first.

The board went into executive session to discuss Personnel and Purchased Service items. After returning to regular session a motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Billy Williams to accept all personnel and purchased service items #1-21 (see attached). All others voted in favor of.

The minutes from the February 21, 2018 meeting were read and a motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Chris Ferrell to approve. All others voted in favor of.

The February 2018 financial report was given by Kathy Cameron. A motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Dr. Lynn Dardenne to approve as presented. All other voted in favor of.

Kathy Cameron, Business Manager stated the Novice Teacher Mentor District Lead Contact is entitled to a \$500.00 stipend per the grant. She recommended to the board that a separate check be issued for this. Once the district has paid they will submit an invoice to the Co-op for reimbursement for the entire amount plus applicable taxes and teacher retirement fringes.

Karen Eoff, Director gave the findings of the legislative audit for the year ending June 30, 2017. A motion was made by Dudley Hume, Second by Billy Williams to accept the audit report. All others voted in favor of it.

Michele Sadler, Early Childhood Coordinator updated the board on changes in the Early Childhood program regarding the DDS/CHMS changes to Early Intervention Day Treatments. This merger could impact the local district.

Karen Eoff, Director gave a Medicaid update about changes to the Medicaid billing and all districts current status. Karen Eoff requested a motion and a second to end the SEARK Medicaid Billing Consortium if by May 15, 2018 the Medicaid Billing Consortium has not billed enough to break even. A motion was made by Johnny Johnson, second by Sandy Lanehart. All others voted in favor of.

A motion was made by Dr. Tracy Tucker, second by Sandy Lanehart to waive the 90 day termination notice for another vendor to pick up any member of the billing consortium should it be closed.

Karen Eoff, Director updated the board on the Math and Science Consortium.

The following issues facing schools were discussed:

- Act 1240 District Progress
- R.I.S.E. Agreement
- Threat Assessment for Schools

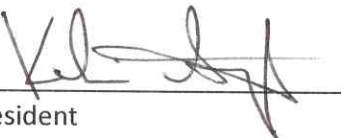
Scotty Holderfield gave an update on Facilities.

The following announcements were made:

- K-12 Culinary Informational Sessions March 28, 2018
- Teacher Recruitment Event April 12, 2018 -4:30 -6:30
- UAM MOU's

Commissioner Johnny Keys, Dr.Ivy Pfeffer, ADE Assistant Commissioner and Dr.Jeremy Owah, Asst.Commissioner of Effectiveness and Licensure attended the meeting to discuss the new licensure rules.

A motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Dr. Billy Adams to adjourn.



President

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Date



Secretary