

Southeast Arkansas Education Cooperative

Board Meeting

May 16, 2018

The Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative held the annual meeting on May 16, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. in the CIV I conference room.

The following were in attendance Johnnie Johnson, Gary Williams, Kristi Ridgell, Dr. Lynne Dardenne, Billy Williams, Tracy Streeter, Dr. Tracy Tucker, Dr. Billy Adams, Sandra Lanehart, Bryan Cornish and Dudley Hume.

Others in attendance were Karen Eoff, Karen Roberts, Kathy Cameron, Rhonda Mullikin, Scotty Holderfield, Scott Kuttenkuler, Mellie Bridewell and Craig Dupuy.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Tracy Tucker, Vice President.

The minutes from the April 18, 2018 board meeting were read and a motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Sandy Lanehart to approve. All others voted in favor of.

The April 2018 financial report was given by Kathy Cameron. A motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Sandy Lanehart. All others voted in favor of.

Karen Eoff, Director presented the Annual Report for 2017/18. A motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Dr. Billy Adams to approve as presented. All others voted in favor of.

Karen Eoff, Director reported on the Five Year Co-op Evaluation. A motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Dr. Billy Adams to accept. All others voted in favor of.

Karen Eoff, Director presented the Cost Analysis for Co-op Evaluation on four (4) school districts.

Karen Eoff, Director asked that the board vote to end the SEARK Medicaid Billing Consortium. A motion was made by Billy Williams, second by Dr. Billy Adams. All others voted in favor of.

A motion was made by Johnnie Johnson, second by Billy Williams to approve the Virtual Arkansas /ECHS Calendar for 2018/19. All others voted in favor of.

MOU's for Facilities, LEA Supervisors and Educational Examiner were reviewed and signed for the 2018/19 school year.

The following PPC recommendations were presented to the board for approval.

1. Student Worker Salary Guide

Remove High School Student Worker from the Guide.

Effective July 1, 2018

Approved by the Personnel Policy Committee on May 4, 2018

2. Student Worker Salary Guide

Change hourly rate in verbiage on the guide to state "...shall not receive an hourly rate of compensation less than **\$8.50** per hour." This change in rate is per Commissioner's Memo FIN-17-047.

Effective July 1, 2018

Approved by the Personnel Policy Committee on May 4, 2018

3. Change Kasey Smith's salary index to .888, beginning FY18-19, to meet the minimum teacher compensation salary per Arkansas Law.

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4. Remove inactive salary indexes or change title of position listed the index list.

a. Remove – MITS Director – position is no longer paid through the Cooperative

b. Remove – Target Testing Literacy Coordinator – Grant is no longer at the Cooperative

c. Change title – Target Testing Specialist/Distance Learning Coordinator – Change to only Distance Learning Coordinator

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A motion was made by Dudley Hume second by Tracy Streeeter to approve the personnel policies above with the amended hourly rate to Item # 2 be changed from \$8.50 to \$ 8.64 per hour. All others voted in favor of.

Rhonda Mullikin, Teacher Center Coordinator updated the board on Arkansas Leadership Quest, Principals upcoming meetings and Novice Teachers Mentoring.

A motion was made by Billy Williams, second by Dudley Hume to approve the Delta Dental Fringe Benefit Package with no rate change for 1 year. All others voted in favor of.

Johnnie Johnson and Dr. Lynne Dardenne, retiring superintendents were honored for their years of service in Education.

Scotty Holderfield gave an update on Facilities.

The board went into executive session to discuss Personnel Issues and Purchased Service.

After returning to regular session the board voted to approve all Personnel Issues and Purchased Services # 1- 35. A motion was made by Billy Williams, second by Dr. Billy Adams. All others voted in favor of.

Scott Kuttenkuler and Mellie Bridewell spoke with the board concerning the Arkansas Rural Health Partnership Grant.

Instructions for Live Scan Fingerprinting on site at the school districts were covered.

The following announcements were made:

- June Co-op Board meeting on June 21 after Administrators Institute Tier I
- Reading Pathways to be completed by 2021-22 year. Commissioner's Memo LS-18-090
- Proposed Board Meeting Dates for 2018/19
- Information on Civic Exam, Personal Finance and Community Service Learning
May 24 @ 8:30 ESC Works # 354196

Issues Facing Schools: Excessive employee absentee's was discussed.

A motion was made by Dudley Hume, second by Dr. Lynne Dardenne to adjourn.



President

6-20-18

Date



Secretary