

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE MEETING

August 15, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Brad Skertich, Chairperson Pro-Temp, at 1:40 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Griffin

Dr. Pearson (arrived 1:47)

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISTIORS

No visitors present

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Dr. Anderson moved to approve the Treasurer's Bond as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Skertich moved to approve the Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report-School Year 2018 as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Lenger presented the 2018-19 Region III Special Education Cooperative Budget. Mrs. Lenger explained that there are three parts to the budget; Flowthrough, which is the IDEA Part B and the IDEA Preschool Grant. These numbers are allocated by the state. Mrs. Lenger stated that 5% is reserved for professional development, 3% will flow back to the district and 2% will remain with Region III. Mrs. Lenger stated that the Region III Administrative Fee is based on public enrollment numbers. The third part of the budget is the Region III Tuition programs.

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Mrs. Lenger stated that the Governing Board Meeting will be held, Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 6:00 p.m. at High Flyers Grill located in Bethalto.

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Mrs. Lenger stated that the Administrative Outreach report for FY18 was included in their packet.

Mrs. Lenger informed the Board that there is a \$20,611.00 carry over from the FY18 Region III Administrative Fee. Mrs. Lenger requested that Region III apply those funds towards the employment of a Region III secretary mid-year for training purposes due to the bookkeeper's retirement and the current secretary moving to that position for the FY20 school year. It was the consensus of the board for Region III to apply those funds for this purpose.

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Region III Governing Board and the Region III Education Association, IEA-NEA as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Dr. Pearson moved to employ Chantel Harvey, paraprofessional, Brianna Mick, paraprofessional, and Traci Kanallakan, part-time COTA as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

The resignation of Shauna Sullivan, paraprofessional was acknowledged.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger discussed the Region III programs for the 18-19 school year. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Lenger informed the board about Behavior Specialist Services provided by Dr. Dixon. Dr. Dixon provided PEAK training on August 6th and 7th, he will be presenting in Southwestern School District on August 17th, visiting Bethalto to develop to discuss the life skills pilot program he has developed, and providing training on August 22nd for the Journeys staff.

Mrs. Lenger stated that Kim Hood, Behavior Coach presented at the Coordinators meeting. A schedule for Mrs. Hood was determined at that time.

OTHER BUSINESS

The approval of the Building and Classroom agreements was tabled until the September 19th Executive Meeting.

Mrs. Lenger presented concerning the FY20 changes to the IDEA and Preschool Grants. These grants will no longer

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flowthrough the cooperative. Mrs. Lenger stated that other cooperatives are still going to manage the grants for their member districts. Discussion was held on thoughts and concerns on how to handle this change. More discussion will follow at later Executive Meetings.

Mr. Skertich moved to leave the January 2018 to June 2018 Closed Session minutes closed. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Lenger stated that the Extended School Year went very well. She thanked Bethalto School District for allowing Region III to use their building for ESY.

Mrs. Lenger stated that she will be completing 3 certified and 6 non-certified evaluations this school year and that Mrs. Pearson will be completing 2 certified and 6 non-certified evaluations.

Mrs. Lenger provided a Journeys Building update. Region III sponsored a work day on August 8th. There were 20 people who participated. They completed necessary painting; landscaping and other necessary clean up.

Mrs. Lenger stated that Region III was much appreciative of the two classrooms that Jersey School District built for Journeys.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Skertich moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:48 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0.

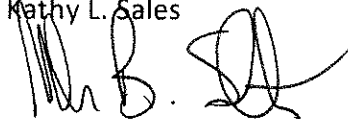
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 1:30 p.m. at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales



Mr. Brad Skertich, Chairperson Pro-Temp

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING

September 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Griffin, at 1:20 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Dr. Griffin

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich(arrived 1:22)

Dr. Anderson

Not Present

Ms. Warnecke

FINANCIAL

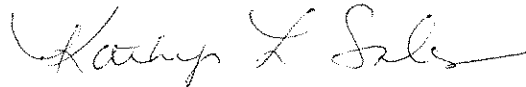
Ms. Lenger explained the FY 2019 Region III Special Education Budget. Ms. Lenger explained that there are three parts to the budget; Flowthrough, which is the IDEA Part B and the IDEA Preschool Grant. These numbers are allocated by the state. Mrs. Lenger stated that 5% is reserved for professional development, 3% will flow back to the districts and 2% will remain with Region III. Also, \$5,000.00 is reserved for Independent Evaluations (IEE). Mrs. Lenger stated that the Region III Administrative Fee is based on public enrollment numbers. The third part of the budget is the Region III Tuition programs.

There were no public present. There were no questions or comments from the public.

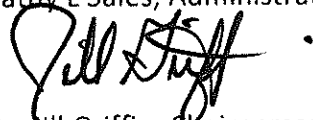
ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:26 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE MEETING

September 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson, at 1:26 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

No visitors present

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mr. Skertich moved to approve the FY19 Region III Special Education Cooperative budget as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Discussion was held concerning the current teacher shortage. Mrs. Lenger stated that Region III is now paying \$115.00 per day for teacher subs.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the current enrollment for the CLIP and Journeys programs. Mrs. Lenger stated that we will have two more students that will be enrolling the programs.

Mrs. Lenger provided the schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided. Also, included were upcoming inservices that will be provided by Dr. Dixon.

Mrs. Lenger presented the schedule for the Behavior Coach. Several of the Members stated that this has been a very helpful and positive position. They stated that Kim Hood is doing a great job to benefit their districts with students and teachers.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Skertich moved to approve the Building and Classroom lease's as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Lenger provided the Journeys building update information. Mrs. Lenger stated that she would like the door on boiler room to be replaced and the dusk to dawn lighting to be installed due to parent meetings being held in the evening. Mr. Tuttle stated that they will be installing the air conditioning in the gym in the near future.

Due to the changes to the FY IDEA funding disbursements Mrs. Lenger stated that the Articles of Joint Agreement would need to be reviewed. Discussion followed on Article 1-1.5. It was decided to change Part II-Offsetting Revenue-Receipts, A. Personnel Reimbursement to Evident Base Funding, the removal of 1. Certified Professional and 2. Non-certified Support Staff.

Mrs. Lenger provided the behavioral data for August. Mrs. Lenger stated that the start of this school year has been more settled.

Discussion was held concerning the professional goals for Region III that were provided.

GOVERNING BOARD

Mrs. Lenger reminded the members about the Governing Board Meeting that will be held tonight at High Flyers Restaurant, 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:12 p.m. Mr. Skertich seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0.

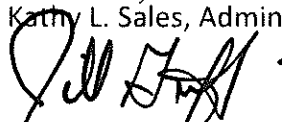
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, October 17, 2018, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson at 6:12 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Dr. Griffin, Bethalto #8

Mr. Beierman, Bethalto #8

Mr. Peterson, East Alton #13

Dr. Pearson, EA/WR HS #14

Mr. St. Peters, EA/WR HS #14

Mr. Tuttle, Jersey #100

Ms. Perdun, Jersey #100

Ms. Loy, Southwestern #9

Dr. Anderson, WR-Hartford #15

Ms. Harding, WR-Hartford #15

Not Present

Mr. Skertich, Southwestern #9

Ms. Warnecke, East Alton #13

MINUTES/ACTIONS

Ms. Harding moved to approve the August 2017 to June 2018 minutes and past actions of the Region III Special Education Executive Board as presented. Mr. Peterson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

FY 19 BUDGET

Mrs. Lenger presented the 2018-2019 Region III Special Education Budget. Mrs. Lenger explained in detail the three parts of the Budget: Flowthrough (IDEA Part B Grant and Preschool) Administrative and Tuition. Mr. Beiermann moved to approve the budget as presented. Mr. St. Peters seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

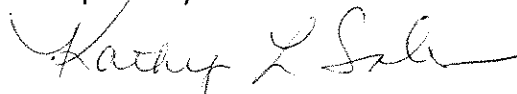
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Mr. Beiermann seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-6, Nay-0.

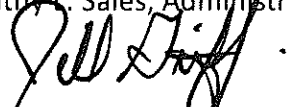
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Governing Board will be held September 2019.

Respectfully Submitted



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

October 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson, at 1:35 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich

Dr. Anderson (arrived 1:41)

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

Dr. Griffin introduced Mr. Dennis Rose, Auditor for Region III.

FINANCIAL

Mr. Rose presented the audit report for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Rose stated that there is a clean opinion for the Region III financial records. He also stated that the financial reports are in excellent condition and there were no problems with internal procedures. Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the Auditor's report as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes-5-0. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the employment of Dianna Hirschberg, Paraprofessional as presented. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the leave of absence for the remainder of the FY19 school year for Crystal Harlow, Paraprofessional as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the current enrollment for the CLIP and Journeys program. Mrs. Lenger stated that we have added 7

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students in the CLIP program since the beginning of the school year. Mrs. Lenger also stated that there are 28 students enrolled in Journeys.

Mrs. Lenger provided the schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided. Dr. Pearson thanked Mrs. Lenger for this information.

Mrs. Lenger provided the schedule for the Behavior Coach. This information listed the hours used by the district through September.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mary Pearson, Principal from Journeys presented on Exclusionary Discipline. Mrs. Pearson explained the outcomes of suspension; the increase in dropout rates, repeat offenses, reduced academic skills, a less safe school environment, denial of educational opportunity. Also, social outcomes; loss of self-respect, feelings of being unwanted, stigmatization among peers increase delinquency rates, Societal outcome; a school dropout earns considerably less money over his or her working career and fewer employment opportunities resulting in an increase dependence of social services.

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the Classroom Rental Agreement with East Alton Elementary as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Lenger presented a letter from IAASE written to ISBE concerning the FY changes in the IDEA funding and disbursement. This letter is asking ISBE to push back this change until FY21. Mrs. Lenger stated that Region III will be hosting a meeting on November 2nd, 12:00 p.m., at the Bethalto district office to discuss options for handling this change.

Mrs. Lenger reviewed the Article of Joint Agreement, Article 2- Member Districts. Discussion was held on 2.5-Cost to Members of Co-op. The administrative fee is based upon total student count, billed annually to the districts.

Mrs. Lenger provided the behavioral data through September 2018.

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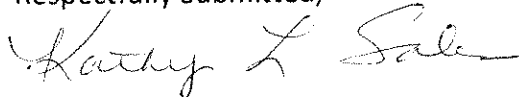
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Skertich moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:26 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-6, Nay-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, November 14, 2018., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

November 14, 2018

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Mr. Brad Skertich, Chairperson Pro-Temp, at 1:37 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mrs. Schuenke(Jersey Rep)

Mr. Skertich

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

Mrs. Schuenke was representing Jersey CUSD #100. Also, in attendance was Mrs. Keri Lakin, Special Education Coordinator, Jersey CUSD #100.

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger stated that there will be travel reimbursement costs for the Behavior Coach position. Region III will invoice those costs twice yearly, January and June based on child count.

PERSONNEL

Mrs. Warnecke moved to approve the employment of Nichole Clowers, Papaprofessional and Sarah Nelson, Individual Aide as presented. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes -4-0. Motion carried.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the current enrollment for the CLIP and Journeys program. Mrs. Lenger stated that there are 27 students enrolled at Journeys.

Mrs. Lenger provided the schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided. Mrs. Lenger stated that she had met with Dr. Dixon and Mrs. Hood to discuss the Behavior Coach position and how to track the data. Mrs. Lenger stated that she has received positive feedback concerning this position.

Mrs. Lenger also provided the schedule of services for the Behavior Coach.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger stated that Jersey CUSD #100 maintenance was completing the extra room at Journeys, installed a water heater for the washer/dryer and installed a new sink. Mrs. Pearson has purchased cabinets and countertops. Mrs. Lenger stated that Mrs. Pearson has used the grant monies to make these improvements. Any additional costs will be split between the districts.

Discussion was held concerning the FY IDEA Grant funding changes. This item was tabled until the December 19th Executive Meeting.

Mrs. Lenger reviewed the Article of Joint Agreement, Article 3- Term of Agreement. Mrs. Lenger stated that changes need to be made to 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9 concerning the Federal IDEA Part B Funds. Mrs. Lenger will contact legal counsel about those changes.

Mrs. Lenger provided the behavioral data through October 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:12 p.m. Mr. Skertich seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, December 19, 2018, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Mr. Brad Skertich, Chairperson, Pro-Temp

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

December 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson, at 1:37 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Dr. Anderson

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

There were no visitors present.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger informed the Members that as of FY20 the current financial and payroll software will no longer be supported. Region III has been in discussion with Skyward and PowerSchool and have received bids from both companies. Most of the districts are using Skyward, however Bethalto school district reports significant issues with the new version. Mrs. Lenger will continue to seek out other software package options. This software change will increase our software cost dramatically in the next couple of years.

Mrs. Lenger provided FY20 Administrative staff changes due the retirement of the current bookkeeper, Kathy Sales effective July, 1 2019. The current Administrative Secretary, Chris Heffner will move into the Bookkeeper position. The Administrative Secretary position will need to be replaced. There is current Region III staff that is interested in this position. This information reflected the change in the Administrative Fee.

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PERSONNEL

Mr. Skertich moved to employ Wendy Dallape, Teacher, Eastwood Elementary as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the current enrollment for the CLIP and Journeys program. Mrs. Lenger stated that this list did not reflect the forth classroom that will open when school resumes in January 2019.

Mrs. Lenger shared the schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided. Also, provided was the schedule for the Behavioral Coach. Mrs. Lenger stated that new forms for data collection have been developed to help gain skills and feedback. These forms have provided good information for Mrs. Hood.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger stated that she is working with Jersey CUSD #100 to obtain the charges for the construction that has been or in process of being completed on the Journeys building. Mr. Tuttle stated that they will be providing that information at a later date.

Mrs. Lenger provided the revised Article of Joint Agreement. Mrs. Lenger stated that Alan Sraga, Attorney, has advised the board not to take any action at this time on the revision due to no additional guidance from ISBE. After discussion it was decided to table the revision until a later date.

Mr. Skertich moved to approve that Region III will continue to be the IDEA and Preschool Grant manager for all the Region III Districts effective July, 2019. Member districts would have the option to become their own grant manager with notification to Region III per the Article of Joint Agreement stated time line. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

The behavior data was provided through November 2018.

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Mrs. Lenger stated that Region III and some of the member districts had received a FOIA request from the Chicago Tribune. This request was for records concerning student isolations, restraints and staff training records. An extension has been requested. Legal counsel is replying to this FOIA request because it is unduly burdensome.

Mrs. Lenger stated that she has been asked to participant on an Action Committee for DCFS and other governmental agencies to discuss the quality of services that are provided to our students.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:32 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0.

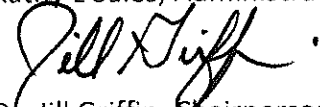
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, January 16, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

January 16, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson, at 1:31 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Dr. Anderson

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson (arrived 1:34)

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

There were no visitors present.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mr. Skertich moved to approve the revised classroom rental agreement with East Alton Elementary School District due to the rental of an additional classroom as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the change of position for Katie Wieckhorst to Region III Administrative Assistant, Chris Heffner to Region III Bookkeeper for the 2019-2020 school year and the employment of Ashlynn Nash, Paraprofessional, Journeys Program as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

The resignation of Julie Jacobs, Paraprofessional, Journeys was acknowledged.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger discussed the current Region III Programs. Mrs. Lenger stated that the fourth classroom was added at

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Eastwood. Also, stated was that currently 30 students are enrolled in the Journeys program.

The schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided. was presented for Region III and the member districts. Also, provided was the schedule for the Behavioral Coach. Mrs. Lenger stated that Ms. Hood had provided training to the Jersey CUSD #100 Paraprofessionals concerning behavior management, data collection and general information on students with disabilities. The presentation received positive feedback.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger stated that the kitchen at Journeys is now complete. Also, installed is the washer and dryer for the STEAM program. Mrs. Lenger stated that the maintenance department from Jersey CUSD #100 did an excellent job with the updates for the Journeys program.

Mrs. Lenger informed the board that Dr. Steven Hayes had visited Journeys. Dr. Hayes had great conversations with the Journeys staff about the program and gave them direction for improvements.

Mrs. Lenger provided the behavioral data for December. Mrs. Lenger stated that she will be providing an in-depth behavioral report at the end of the school year.

Mrs. Lenger stated that the Superintendent will need to certify their special education child count. Instructions were provided in the packet. This process needs to be completed by March 1st.

Mr. Skertich approved moving the March 20, 2019 Executive Board Meeting to March 27, 2019 as presented. Dr. Griffin seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Tuttle moved to go into Closed Session at 1:54 p.m. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried. Mr. Tuttle moved to come out of Closed Session at 2:08 p.m. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion Carried.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Skertich moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:08 p.m.
Dr. Pearson seconded. Motion carried with Members
Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be
held, Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the
Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

February 20, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson, at 1:30 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich (left 3:00)

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

There were no visitors present.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Included in the packet was the 2018-2019 Seniority lists for information purposes.

Mrs. Lenger stated that for the 2019-2020 school year Region III will begin with 45 students. Mrs. Lenger stated that due to the shortage of teachers and the fact that Region III had to hire a teacher mid-year for the past two years a reduction in force is not likely for the 2019-2020 school year. Final reduction in force information will be presented to the board next month. Mrs. Lenger stated that the Journeys program started the year with 21 students and 34 students are now enrolled with no additional staff.

Mrs. Lenger discussed Psychology services for the 2019-2020 school year. Mrs. Lenger presented information based on ACE Survey concerning adverse childhood experiences. Mrs. Lenger stated that individual psychology services would be beneficial for Region III students. After discussion, it was decided that Mrs. Lenger will bring more information concerning service minutes and tuition cost to the March meeting.

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CLOSED SEESION

Mr. Skertich moved to go into Closed Session at 1:57 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried. Mr. Skertich moved to come out of Closed Session at 2:55 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger discussed the current Region III Programs. The current enrollment in the CLIP program is 24 students, the current enrollment in the Journeys program is 34 students.

The schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided for Region III and the member districts was presented. Also, provided was the schedule for the Behavioral Coach.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Illinois State Board of Education is allowing special education cooperatives to request an extension concerning the IDEA grant procedural changes. Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the request of an extension for the IDEA grants for the 2019-2020 school year as presented. Mr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

After more communication with Region III attorneys, Mrs. Lenger stated that the first reading of the Articles of Agreement should be tabled until further notice.

Mrs. Lenger stated that on February 19, 2019 an inservice was provided for the administration of Narcan. Mrs. Lenger stated that in Illinois, the number of EMS encounters involving the administration of Narcan increased nearly 250% between 2013 to 2016. Mrs. Lenger stated that Region III will need to adopt a policy concerning this matter.

Mrs. Lenger provided the behavioral data through January 2019. Mrs. Lenger stated that the documentation of behavioral incident is more thorough and accurate.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0

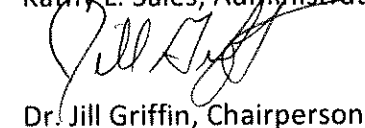
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, March 27, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

March 27, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Tuttle moved to call the meeting to order. Dr. Pearson seconded. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson, at 1:47 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mr. Skertich

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson (arrived 1:48)

Mr. Tuttle

Dr. Anderson (left 2:32)

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Anderson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

None present

INFORMATIONAL

ITEMS

Mrs. Lenger stated that Journeys will graduate six students this year, three from Jersey CUSD #100, two from Southwestern CUSD #9 and one from EA/WR High School CUSD #14. The graduation will take place on May 17, 2019, 11:00 a.m.

Mrs. Lenger gave an update on the STEAM program at Journeys. Mrs. Lenger stated that the Journeys staff have developed, modified and are implementing STEAM activities. The program recently purchased a 3D printer for the program. Mrs. Lenger stated that Journeys staff have seen a decrease in behaviors due to this program.

On March 6, 2019, Mrs. Lenger attended a DCFS Action Committee Meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to increase cooperation of services for children in the Madison County Welfare System.

Mrs. Lenger stated that on March 14, 2019 she was able to attend the Women in Education Leading and Learning Conference. She stated that this conference was very beneficial. One suggestion she would like to pursue that was presented at the conference was the use of social media to spot light the good things going on in our programs. Mrs. Lenger stated that she will be having a phone conference with Dawn Hinkle, Attorney to discuss legal

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matters with regards to special education confidentiality and the use of social media.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger presented the estimated tuition cost for the final tuition for the 2018-2019 school year. It is estimated that the Journeys tuition will be \$25,472.06 and the CLIP tuition will be \$26,128.17. These figures are still based on budget numbers.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger discussed the current Region III Programs. Currently, there are 23 students enrolled in the CLIP program and 31 students enrolled in the Journeys program.

The schedule of services that Dr. Mark Dixon has provided for Region III and the member districts was presented. Also, provided was the schedule for the Behavioral Coach.

Mrs. Lenger stated that BASCC has requested to renew their contract with Region III for Audiology services for the 2019-2020 school year. Currently, the contract is for 20 days of service. Mrs. Lenger stated that she has offered audiology services to Carlinville School District for the 2019-2020 school year.

PERSONNEL

The resignation of Crystal Harlow, Paraprofessional and Wendy Dallape, Teacher was acknowledged.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger stated that the current Policy Manual for Region III is outdated. After discussing this with Teri Engler, Attorney, it was suggested that Region III contact Press Plus about updating the manual. The total cost for Press Plus will be \$8,450.00. Mrs. Lenger recommended using Press Plus to update the Policy Manual.

Mrs. Lenger informed the board that Region III had received a letter of termination from East Alton Elementary CUSD #13 for one of the current classrooms. Region III will be seeking another classroom if needed.

Mrs. Lenger stated that the Region III office team had attended a training concerning the IDEA grant funding disbursements and the Consolidated District Plan. She stated that each individual district will be completing the Consolidated District Plan.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Tuttle moved to go into Closed Session at 2:20 p.m. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried. Mr. Tuttle moved to come out of Closed Session at 2:54 p.m. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

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ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the maternity/FLMA leave for Christy Stanfill, Teacher as presented. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0.

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the maternity/FMLA leave for Brianna Mick, Paraprofessional as presented. Dr. Pearson seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0.

The certified teacher position for the 2019-2020 school year was tabled.

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve a contract with Mary Pearson for Psychological services at the rate of \$55.00 per hour for the 2019-2020 school year. These services will be billed out on a usage bases.

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the employment of Richard Ramsay with the parameters as direct by the board in closed session. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0. Mr. Ramsay is the candidate for the new Principal for the Journeys Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:58 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0.

NEXT MEETING

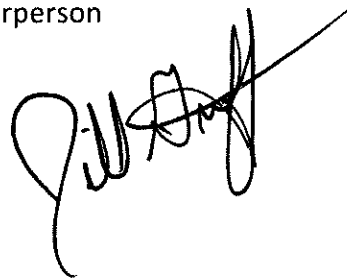
The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, April 17, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper

Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson



REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

April 17, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Tuttle moved to call the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. Mrs. Renken seconded. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Dr. Anderson

Mrs. Warnecke (arrived 2:00)

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mrs. Renken (Southwestern)

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

None present

INFORMATIONAL

ITEMS

Mrs. Lenger stated that the Journeys graduation will take place May 17, 2019, 11:00 a.m. There will be 6 student graduating.

Mrs. Lenger presented the proposed Journeys FY20 school calendar. After board discussion, it was recommended to table the calendar at this time.

Mrs. Lenger informed the board that the students at Journeys had a Yard Jenga Fundraiser. They sold 35 of the yard games. They will make a \$15.00 profit per game. The students are very excited about this big project.

Mrs. Lenger stated that Dr. Dixon will be providing AIM training August 7, 2019 at the Hilton Garden Inn, O'Fallon, IL. PEAK training will be provided August 8-9 also at the Hilton Garden Inn. These training are open to all district employees.

Mrs. Lenger stated that currently Dr. Dixon has a doctoral student that is conducting parent trainings on BD strategies. Mrs. Lenger will schedule one of the training in Jersey and one in Bethalto. The dates for these training will take place on May 7th and 8th.

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Mrs. Lenger stated that a representative from DCFS will be providing Mandated Reporter Training for the Region III staff at the beginning of the year meeting on August 5, 2019. Contact information for DCFS was provided in the packet.

Mrs. Lenger stated the any Crisis Intervention Training that Region III sponsors are at no cost to our member districts. Those cost are part of Region III's professional development money.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger presented the estimated tuition cost for the final tuition for the 2018-2019 school year. Also, provided was the cost of the CLIP program for FY16 to FY19. The data indicates a decline in student enrolled in the CLIP program. Discussion was held concerning a possible 5th classroom for the FY20 school year which would increase the tuition cost but also allow room for additional students. Mrs. Lenger stated that the current middle school classroom housed in Jersey will possibly be housed at the Southwestern Middle School for FY20. It was suggested that Mrs. Lenger research the possibility of Journeys becoming a private day school.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger discussed the current Region III programs. Currently, there are 23 students enrolled in the CLIP program and 31 students enrolled in the Journeys program.

The schedule of services that Dr. Dixon has provided for Region III and the member districts was provided. Also, provided was the schedule for the Behavioral Coach.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger stated that she has been in contact with PRESS concerning the Region III policy manual. The manual will be designed specifically for the cooperative and will not include as much information as a district. The quote from PRESS was \$8,450.00 to update the manual. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Lenger asked the district if they would be responsible for entering their student course information into SIS or if they would prefer Region III be responsible for it. It was decided that the members would give her direction at a later date.

CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Pearson moved to enter into Closed Session at 2:29 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried. Mr. Tuttle moved to come out of Closed Session at 2:38 p.m. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

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ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Reduction in Force for Nichole, Clowers, Dianna Hirschberg, Ashlynn Nash and Sarah Nelson as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

The resignation of Chantel Harvey, Paraprofessional was acknowledged.

The certified teacher position for the 2019-2020 school year was tabled.

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the policy manual update using the PRESS service as presented. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve to submit the IDEA Grant application as presented. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve authorization to prepare the FY 20 Region III budget as presented. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

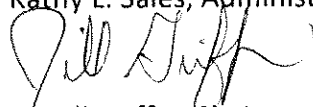
Mr. Tuttle moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:47 p.m. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-4, Nay-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 2:00 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

May 15, 2019

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Griffin, Chairperson, at 2:07 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Dr. Skertich

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

None present

INFORMATIONAL

ITEMS

Mrs. Lenger stated that the Journeys graduation will take place May 17th, 11:00 a.m. There will be 6 students graduating this year.

The FY 20 school calendar for the Journeys program will be presented at the June 26th Executive meeting.

Mrs. Lenger stated that a parent training on behavior was held on May 7th in the Jersey School District. Mrs. Lenger stated that there was good parent participation. This training was provided by Dr. Dixon's doctoral student, Becky Barron. Mrs. Lenger stated another training is scheduled in the Bethalto School District on September 24, 2019.

Mrs. Lenger stated that Dr. Dixon will be providing AIM training August 7, 2019 at the Hilton Garden Inn, O'Fallon, IL. PEAK training will be provided August 8-9, also at the Hilton Garden Inn. These trainings are open to all district employees.

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Mrs. Lenger reminded the members about the May 16th retirement party for Kathy Evans, Paraprofessional, Kathy Sales, Region III Bookkeeper and Mary Pearson, Journeys Principal. The retirement party will be held at High Flyers in Bethalto at 3:30.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger stated that the current Region III financial/payroll software will no longer be supported as of July 1, 2020. Mrs. Lenger stated that we have received proposals from Powerschool at the cost of \$22,359.28 and from SDS at the cost of \$10,000.00. Region III will continue to research options for the new software.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger discussed the current Region III programs. Currently, there are 23 students enrolled in the CLIP program and 31 students enrolled in the Journeys program.

Mrs. Lenger discussed the placement of the middle school classrooms for the FY20 school year. Region will have a need for a middle school ED/BD classroom and we continue to have the current middle school CLIP program. Ideally, Mrs. Lenger would like to have those two classrooms housed in the same building. More information will be discussed at the June 26th Executive meeting.

The schedule of services that Dr. Dixon has provided for Region III and the member districts was provided. Also, provided was the schedule for the Behavioral Coach.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger informed the members that Region III has started the process of updating the policy manual. Mrs. Lenger will meet with Boyd Ferguson from PRESS on May 16th to begin the survey.

Mrs. Lenger stated that currently we are not entering course assignments in SIS for students placed in Region programs. According to information from ISBE, home districts are responsible for entering course assignments in SIS. Cooperatives or other alternative placement are responsible for entering teacher course assignments in SIS. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Lenger stated that she gathered information regarding the "privatization" of the Journeys program in order to capture reimbursement that is available for students placed in private or non-public facilities. This would require the establishment of a

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board of directors. The two issues that are immediately apparent are the loss of continuum of services for our students and the loss of eligibility of TRS and IMRF for staff. Likely this would cause the loss of current staff. Currently, districts are required to spend 4 times their per cap before any additional reimbursement will be provided. Mrs. Lenger suggested that letters be written to legislators concerning SB 1757 the equalization bill that is currently on it's third reading in the Senate.

CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Pearson moved to enter into Closed Session at 2:48 p.m. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Roll call was taken with Member Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried. Dr. Skertich moved to come out of Closed Session at 3:19 p.m. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Tuttle moved to approve the Collective Bargaining agreement between The Madison County Region III Special Education Cooperative District and the Region III Special Education Association IEA/NEA as presented. Dr. Skertich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Pearson moved to approve a 2% salary increase for the Executive Director for the FY20 school year as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNEMENT

Dr. Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:21 p.m. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-6, Nay-0.

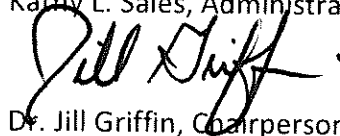
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, June 26, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

REGION III EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

June 26, 2019

ROLL CALL

Dr. Anderson moved to call the meeting to order at 2:10 a.m. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Roll Call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0.

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mrs. Warnecke

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle (arrived 2:16)

Dr. Skertich (arrived 2:14)

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Dr. Anderson seconded. Roll Call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 4-0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF

VISITORS

Mrs. Lenger introduced Mr. Rich Ramsay, the new Journeys Principal and his dog Lillie. Mrs. Lenger stated that Region III will host an open house for Mr. Ramsay on July 31st at Journeys. Parent, Students, Staff, Coordinators and Superintendents will be invited.

INFORMATIONAL

ITEMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the FY20 Journeys calendar. Mrs. Lenger requested that notice of early pickup be provided to the Journeys staff for planning purposes.

Mrs. Lenger stated that Dr. Dixon will be providing AIM training August 7, 2019 at the Hilton Garden Inn, O'Fallon, IL. PEAK training will be provided August 8-9, also at the Hilton Garden Inn. These trainings are open to all district employees.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger presented the final tuition summary for the FY19 school year. First billing based on budget versus final billing based

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on actual expenditures. There was a decrease in cost for the tuition programs.

PROGAMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the annual report for the Behavior Coach Services. Each district will receive a list of referrals and services provided for their specific district. A summary of services was provided.

Mrs. Lenger presented the annual report on major incidents. This report is required annually according to the school code. Mrs. Lenger stated that the collection of this data continues to help us improve our documentation and intervention. Each district will receive a report of major incidents for their students.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger stated that she has received the draft copy of the Region III Policy Manual. She is currently reviewing the draft manual. Mrs. Lenger will be meeting with PRESS to discuss the draft.

ACTIONS ITEMS

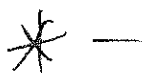
Dr. Anderson moved to approve the Region III Classroom Lease Agreements between East Alton CUSD #13 and, also WR-Hartford CUSD #15 as presented. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Skertich moved to approve the change of the administrator of the Carrollton Banking Center account to Chris Heffner, with the removed of Kathy Sales as the administrator as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Anderson moved to approve the Treasurer's Bond as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Pearson moved to approve the contract with SDS Financial Systems as presented. Mrs. Warnecke seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Skertich moved to approve the FY20 Board meeting date as presented with the change of the March 18th meeting to March 25th. Dr. Pearson seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-6, Nay-0.



Dr. Pearson moved to approve the authorization of Chris Heffner as the IMRF and the TRS authorized agent for Region III. Dr.

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Griffin seconded. Roll call was taken with Member Voting, Yes 6-0.

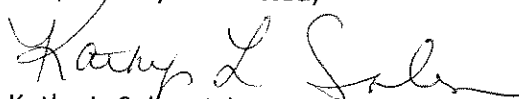
ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:39 p.m. Dr. Skertich seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-6, Nay-0.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held, Wednesday, August 21, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper

Dr. Jill Griffin, Chairperson

