

REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

EXECUTIVE MEETING

January 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Virgil Moore, Chairperson, at 1:47 p.m. Roll was as follows:

Present

Not Present

Dr. Griffin

Mr. Moore

Dr. Pearson

Mr. Tuttle

Mr. Skertich

Dr. Anderson

CONSENT AGENDA

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

RECOGNITION OF VISTORS

None present.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Lenger discussed the Evidence-Based Funding questions and answers that were provided concerning the the funding for cooperatives. It appears that if a cooperative is growing and adding staff to their programs there will be no additional funding to offset tuition cost. Discussion followed.

Provided to the Members was each districts direct service billing though December 2017. This was informational only.

PERSONNEL

Dr. Griffin moved to approve the retirement of Sherri Fogarty, Teacher Assistant as presented. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Griffin moved to approve the employment of Wendy Dallape, Teacher, Michael Horton, Teacher Assistant and

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Meghan Hodge, Teacher Assistant as presented. Dr. Pearson seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 6-0. Motion carried.

PROGRAMS

Mrs. Lenger presented the Region III Articles of Joint Agreement for review. It was decided to change the language of Article 2- Member Districts, 2.7 Service Participation. The old language is as follows: "2.7 A Member District shall notify the Region III Director of Special Education of any reduction in the Members District's purchase and/or use of Region III personnel in writing at least eighteen (18) months prior to expected reduction". The new language will be as follows: "2.7 A Member District shall notify the Region III Director of Special Education of any reduction in the Members District's purchase and/or use of Region III personnel in writing by February 1st prior to the expected reduction." The first reading of the new language will occur at the February 21, 2018 Executive meeting.

Mrs. Lenger presented the Region III current enrollment. Currently, there are 59 students attending a Region III program.

Mrs. Lenger provided the major incident report to the members for their review. Mrs. Lenger stated that splitting a classroom at Eastwood Elementary has decreased the number of incidents sufficiently.

Mrs. Lenger stated that for the 2018-2019 school year there will be several students moving to the 6th grade. Region III will be looking for a classroom in a middle school setting for those students.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Lenger asked the members if they would be interested in hosting the Region III Executive Meetings in their districts on a rotating schedule. It was decided to continue to have the meetings at the Region III office.

Discussion was held concerning a balanced calendar exploration for the Journeys program. Looking at data Mrs. Lenger stated that she felt there would be greater

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student success. One hurdle would be the transportation cost to transport these students on the off days of the districts. Discussion followed. It was decided at this time that the Journeys programs will remain on the current school calendar.

Mr. Tuttle stated that the Region III Members will need to have a discussion concerning the Dehli Elementary building that currently houses the Journeys North Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Skertich moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:36 p.m. Dr. Pearson 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, February 21, 2018, 1:30 p.m., at the Region III office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy L. Sales, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper

Mr. Virgil Moore, Chairperson