

**MID-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION  
BOND/FAYETTE REGION  
BOARD MEETING  
February 12, 2013  
MINUTES**

Mr. Strieker called the February 12, 2013 meeting to order at 8:33 A.M. at Bond/Fayette Region Conference Room in Vandalia, IL.

***MEMBERS PRESENT***

Members in attendance were Mr. Mike Gauch, Mulberry Grove Unit #1; Mr. Adam Bussard, Brownstown Unit #201; Mr. Rich Well, Vandalia Unit #203; Mrs. Deb Philpot, St. Elmo Unit #202; Mr. Jeff Strieker, Bond Co. Unit #2 and Mrs. Melissa Ritter, Ramsey Unit #204 arriving at 8:50 A.M.

***PRESENTATION OF PROXIES***

No proxies were presented.

***MEMBERS ABSENT***

No members were absent.

***OTHERS PRESENT***

Crystal Lawler, Assistant Director; Alison Boutcher, Executive Director; and Larry Emerick, Program Coordinator and Scott Pasley, Bond Co. Program Coordinator were present. No visitors were present.

***PRESENTATION OF MONTHLY "OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD"***

Mrs. Erin Langston was the February recipient of the FY13 "Outstanding Service Award".

***CONSENT AGENDA***

Presented for review and approval:

- Regular Session Minutes from January 8, 2013
- No Executive Session audio recordings older than 18 months exist for destruction.
- No closed session minutes exist for release at this time.
- Financial Report
  - Monthly Payables
  - Statement of Position
  - Receipts vs. Expenditures

Motion was made to approve the January 8, 2013 Board Minutes on the Consent Agenda as recommended by Mr. Mike Gauch, seconded by Mr. Rich Well. Motion carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion was made to approve the Board Payables on the Consent Agenda as recommended by Mr. Rich Well, seconded by Mr. Mike Gauch. Motion carried by roll call vote 5-0.

## **ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Legal Status – The invoice for the letter review for the student in St. Elmo was received for \$157.50. The retainer fee of \$25.00 is reflected in both the Payables and the Receipts vs. Expenditures.
- Parent Survey Results – Discussion was held regarding the results found from the surveys received. We had a small sample of response. We have clarified the procedure with the School Psychologists so we anticipate a larger response sample in the future. The outcomes were positive with the exception of parent attendance at IEP meetings. Our PPS teams will continue to provide flexibility of scheduling with parents. We may need to emphasize to parents how vital their role is in the IEP meetings.
- Timely Meaningful Consultations – Discussion was had to determine dates for the TMC meeting to be held. The date chosen was May 14, 2013 at 8:30 A.M., this meeting will be held prior to the Bond/Fayette Region May Board Meeting.
- ED Program Tuition Billing Process was discussed regarding the possibility of combining all programs to derive the same cost per student for each program. The difficulty of this lies in the fact that the programs are located in two different districts. The Tuition Cost Sheet is district specific, based on the AFR of the district where the program is located. Based on what Mrs. Lawler has learned about this process, is the only way we could combine all three programs is if they were located in the same district.
- Transportation – Discussion was held regarding “Is it more cost effective for districts to provide their own transportation for students who attend Cornerstone or to pay for Cornerstone to transport the students.” The cost for Cornerstone to transport students is \$43.00 a day per student for districts over 15 miles away.
- Program Coordinator's Report – Review and updates of the Workload/Caseload Study Data and Projected numbers for FY 14 was given by Mr. Larry Emerick, Mr. Scott Pasley and Mrs. Crystal Lawler.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Consideration of the proposed amendments to be made to the FY13 Budget was held. Motion was made by Mr. Rich Well, seconded by Mr. Adam Bussard to approve proposed FY13 Budget amendments as were presented. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.
- Consideration of the bid for cleaning services at the Bond/Fayette Region Office was reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Mr. Mike Gauch, seconded by Mrs. Deb Philpot to approve the cleaning bid effective immediately through the end of the Bond/Fayette Region lease which is August 31, 2013. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- None

***INSERVICE***

Discussion was held regarding the following trainings:

- Least Restrictive Cohort In-Service was held on February 1st at Mulberry Grove. Instructors were Melanie Fleenor and Crystal Lawler. This in-service addresses Accommodations and Modifications and the general education teacher's role in the IEP meeting.

***DISCUSSION***

The next Bond/Fayette Region Board meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 12th, 2013** at **8:30 A.M.** at the **Bond/Fayette Region Conference Room.**

***ADJOURNMENT***

Motion was made by Mr. Adam Bussard, seconded by Mrs. Melissa Ritter to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 A.M. Motion carried by voice vote 6-0.

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Crystal Lawler, Recorder**



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**Mike Gauch, Secretary**