

**MID-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION
BOND/FAYETTE REGION
BOARD MEETING
May 14, 2013
MINUTES**

Mr. Strieker called the May14, 2013 meeting to order at 8:42 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. Jeff Strieker, Bond Co. Unit #2; Mr. Adam Bussard, Brownstown Unit #201; Mr. Rich Well, Vandalia Unit #203; Mrs. Deb Philpot, St. Elmo Unit #202; and Mrs. Melissa Ritter, Ramsey Unit #204.

PRESENTATION OF PROXIES

No proxies were presented.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Member absent was none.

OTHERS PRESENT

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

PRESENTATION OF MONTHLY "OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD"

Mrs. Amy Zimmerman was the FY13 recipient of the "Outstanding Service Award" of the year.

CONSENT AGENDA

Presented for review and approval:

- Regular Session Minutes from April 9, 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 Consent Agenda as recommended by Mr. Rich Well, seconded by Mrs. Deb Philpot. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Legal Status – No issues have been reported.

- Discussion regarding ED Programs in the Bond/Fayette Region. A cost comparison was reviewed of Cornerstone vs. Coop ED Programs. The Coop Ed Programs were created to provide districts options along the continuum of services. The cost for these programs varies in district proportion to the population of the program and no reimbursement of tuition is received by districts unless the child qualifies for Orphanage reimbursement. Cornerstone is a private facility to help districts provide services for students requiring a highly restrictive placement. The cost for Cornerstone is a constant figure because the figure is set by the Purchased Care Review Board and district's receives reimbursement for anything over 2 times district per capita. A letter was received by Bond Co. CUSD #2 stating that after consultation with district administration that they no longer would house the Elementary ED Program in Pocahontas and the JH ED Program at the Greenville Junior High School. Motion was made to discontinue the Elementary ED Program and the JH ED Program in Bond Co. and to maintain the HS ED Program in Vandalia by Mr. Jeff Strieker, seconded by Mrs. Melissa Ritter. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.
- Program Coordinator's Report – Review of the FY14 Projected ED Program students was given by the Program Coordinators, Scott Pasley, Bond Co; Larry Emerick, Fayette County; and Crystal Lawler, Mulberry Grove.
- Review of the relocation assistance from the districts was held. Mrs. Lawler thanked the districts for their willingness to assist in relocating our offices. Timelines for planning purposes was discussed. Mrs. Lawler first part of June to Mulberry Grove satellite office; Amy Zimmerman and Mr. Larry Emerick the 3rd week of July to the Vandalia Unit Office; Mrs. Karen Downs the 3rd week of July to Brownstown High School and Mrs. Dawn Skorzewski to be moved to Bond Co.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion was held regarding the termination of the lease for the 1611 Veterans Ave. office space. The lease expires on August 31, 2013. A \$2,000.00 security deposit was made and may be returned to Tenant 10 days of termination. Landlord will be given written notice of non-renewal 60 days prior to the beginning of the new term (August 31, 2013). Target date for notice of intent not to renew would be approximately June 28th, 2013. Motion was made to terminate the lease of 1611 Veterans Ave. by Mr. Jeff Strieker, seconded by Mr. Mike Gauch. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.
- Review and discussion was held regarding the Proposed FY14 Budget. Motion was made to approve the FY14 Proposed Budget as presented by Mr. Rich Well, seconded by Mr. Mike Gauch. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.
- Discussion was held regarding the June and July board meetings. Motion was made to cancel the June and July 2013 board meetings and to give approval for Mrs. Lawler to pay the bills for June and July by Mr. Mike Gauch, seconded by Mr. Adam Bussard. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

INSERVICE

- None

DISCUSSION

The next Bond/Fayette Region Board meeting is scheduled for **August 21, 2013** at **9:00 A.M.** at the **Mid-State Central Special Education Building in Morrisonville, IL.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Rich Well, seconded by Mrs. Melissa Ritter to adjourn the meeting at 10:04 A.M. Motion carried by voice vote 6-0.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Crystal Lawler, Recorder**

Mike Gauch, Secretary