

CHRISTIAN REGION of  
MID-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 19, 2014  
Morrisonville, IL 62546

Ms. Patty Wood, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Mid-State Special Education Office, 202 Prairie, Morrisonville, Illinois.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Jerry Wesley, Morrisonville; Dr. Gregory Fuerstenau, Taylorville; Ms. Patty Wood, Edinburg; Dr. David Lett, Pana; Mr. Ron Graham, South Fork; Dr. Scott Doerr, Nokomis.

**PRESENTATION OF PROXIES:**

None

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mrs. Crystal Lawler, Assistant Director; Mrs. Jeanne Vancil, Comptroller; Mrs. Amber Thorpe, CREATE; Ms. Susan Sullivan, Christian Region Secretary.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Presented for review and approval:

- Minutes from December 18, 2013,
- Recommendation for destruction of Executive Session audio recordings older than eighteen months (none),
- Semi-annual review of closed session minutes (08/21/13; 09/18/13), recommendation that minutes remain closed,
- January Christian Region bills: \$10,861.55 – notable items include legal fees,
- January Christian Region Payables to be approved at the Mid-State Special Education Executive meeting totaling \$1,086.86 – notable items include tuition reimbursement,
- February Christian Region bills: \$2,281.84 – notable items include I-Pads for the FACeS Intermediate Program with money donated by Kroger,
- February Christian Region Payables to be approved at the Mid-State Special Education Executive meeting totaling \$342.00,
- Statement of Position, as of January 31, 2014 balances with the ending monthly balance of \$1,763,471.00,
- Receipts vs. Expenditures – Mrs. Lawler presented the January 31, 2014 receipts vs. expenditures.

Motion to approve all items on the consent agenda as recommended: Dr. Fuerstenau; second Mr. Wesley. Roll call yielded 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Motion carried.

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**IEP Concerns** – Mrs. Lawler updated the board regarding an on-going IEP issue.

**Manifestation Determination Workshop** – Mrs. Lawler shared information presented at a workshop by Brandon Wright titled: “Law and Oder: Manifestation Determination.” A copy of the power point presentation will be scanned to the Christian Region certified staff and building principals/assistant principals.

**Projections** – Mrs. Lawler has been working with the Program Coordinators to establish the projected number of student for the next school year. The information is being shared with district administrative teams.

**ESP** – The board was apprised of the status of an ESP on unpaid leave.

**FMLA Leave** – Lacey Heldebrandt, a teacher at Nokomis Jr. High School submitted a letter informing the board of her maternity leave starting approximately April 22, 2014. Mrs. Heldebrandt meets the criteria for FMLA.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Seniority & Continuous Service Lists** – Mrs. Lawler presented the seniority and continuous service lists for board approval.

Motion to approve seniority and continuous service lists as presented: Mr. Graham; second, Mr. Wesley. Roll call yielded 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Hiring Part-Time Non-Certified Staff** – Liberty Moore, Taylorville Memorial Early Childhood, individual aide for a particular student for the remainder of the year. If the student leaves, her services would no longer be required

Motion to hire part-time non-certified staff as recommended: Dr. Fuerstenau; second, Dr. Lett. Roll call yielded 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Motion carried.

**Irrevocable Intent to Retire Certified Staff** – Vicki House, Speech/Language Pathologist assigned to Edinburg and Taylorville districts plans to retire at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion to approve irrevocable intent to retire request as recommended: Mr. Wesley; second, Mr. Graham. Roll call yielded 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstain. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION:**

The next Christian Region Board meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. at the Mid-State Special Education office.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Doerr; second, Mr. Wesley. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ms. Susan Sullivan, Recording Secretary