

Christian Region of  
Mid-State Special Education  
Executive Committee Meeting  
February 20, 2019  
Morrisonville, IL 62546

Mr. Fred Lamkey, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. at the Mid-State Special Education Office, 202 Prairie, Morrisonville, Illinois.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Jason Bauer, Pana; Dr. Scott Doerr, Nokomis; Dr. Gregory Fuerstenau, Taylorville; Mr. Fred Lamkey, Edinburg; Mr. Dave Meister, Morrisonville

**PRESENTATION OF PROXIES:**

Mr. Chris Clark, South Fork

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Ron Graham, South Fork

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Ms. Lyn Becker, Administrator of Special Education Services; Ms. Shelly Rexroad, Business Manager; Ms. Peggy Elmore, CREATE; Ms. Shera Hunt, Secretary

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Presented for review and approval:

- Regular Session Minutes from January 16, 2019
- Recommendation for destruction of Executive Session audio recordings older than eighteen months (none)
- Approval of the February 20, 2019 payables totaling \$386,088.81
  - Notable expenses include: legal fees, materials, and two normal payrolls
- Receipts vs. Expenditures reflect the monthly ending fund balance of \$1,676,005.43
- Revenues reflect districts assessments, IDEA, and Preschool Flow Thru totaling \$369,492.97
- Expenditures total \$389,193.84
- Projected Fund Balance for February 28, 2019 is \$1,290,366.62

A motion made by Mr. Bauer and seconded by Mr. Meister to approve the consent agenda, carried by a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays.

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**Professional Development**

**CPI Training** – An initial CPI training was held on February 13<sup>th</sup> for approximately 20 special and regular education staff within MSSE.

**“Top Ten Mistakes in Special Education: Avoiding Litigation in 2019” Webinar:** Ms. Becker participated in this monthly legal update through IAASE on February 13<sup>th</sup>. The key points Ms. Becker took from this webinar included being proactive with child find when addressing absences, hospitalizations and medical diagnoses; the importance of conducting comprehensive evaluations; the need for data to support all present levels, goals, and all IEP decisions; not waiting too long to conduct an FBA when starting to see problematic behavior. This information will be shared with MSSE certified staff during 4<sup>th</sup> quarter team meetings.

**Pana Program Assistant Training** – Ms. Becker reported that on February 15<sup>th</sup>, Kelly Suey provided training to assistants serving Pana schools on various topics including disability categories, what they mean, techniques to use with students, being a team player, and de-escalation techniques.

**Additional Information**

Ms. Becker reported the performance of freshman with IEPs at Taylorville High School is improving. Since mid-terms in October, the number of freshman with IEPs has increased from 30 to 33. The number of failing grades decreased from 43 in October to 19 at the end of the semester in December. The Taylorville team has been working very hard to provide support and interventions to bring grades up with the ultimate goal of improving graduation rate.

Ms. Becker stated that ESY packets are currently being submitted. Superintendents must sign off on these services prior to the packet being sent to the MSSE office. All ESY services will conclude by June 30, 2019.

Ms. Becker reported that 144 TCTs have been completed and 25 TCTs are in progress. TCTs are down 57 from last month.

Ms. Becker stated that there have been 19 dismissals so far this year.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approval of the FY 19 Mid-Year Cost Billing Adjustment as Presented**

A motion made by Mr. Meister and seconded by Mr. Bauer to approve the FY 19 Mid-Year Cost Billing Adjustment, carried by a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays.

**Approval of the FY 19 Amended Budget as Presented**

A motion made by Mr. Bauer and seconded by Mr. Meister to approve the FY 19 Amended Budget, carried by a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None

**ACTION ON BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**Full-Time Non-certified Staff**

**Withdraw of Resignation Letter:** Ashley Morris – *Taylorville North Elementary*

A motion made by Dr. Fuerstenau and seconded by Dr. Doerr to approve the withdrawal of Ashley Morris' resignation letter as of February 1, 2019, carried by a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays.

**Intent to Retire:** Janet Dionne – *Pana Lincoln Elementary*

A motion made by Mr. Meister and seconded by Mr. Bauer to approve the retirement of Janet Dionne, carried by a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays.

**DISCUSSION:**

The next Christian Region Board meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2019 at 9:15 a.m. at the Mid-State Special Education office in Morrisonville.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn at 9:32 a.m.: by Mr. Meister, Morrisonville; second, Dr. Fuerstenau, Taylorville. Voice vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Shera Hunt, Recording Secretary

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Chairperson

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