

**MID-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**  
August 24, 2015  
Mid-State Special Education  
Morrisonville, Illinois

**PROCEDURAL BUSINESS:**

Following the Public Hearing, Mr. Jeff Strieker, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m. at Mid-State Special Education in Morrisonville, Illinois.

**Members Present:**

| <u>District</u> | <u>Superintendent</u> | <u>Board Representative</u> |
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| Morrisonville   | Gary DePatis          | Dale Brockamp               |
| Taylorville     |                       | Katie Fraley                |
| Edinburg        | Fred Lamkey           | Adam Swinger                |
| Pana            | David Lett            | Anne Dorn                   |
| South Fork      |                       | Bob Brandon                 |
| Nokomis         |                       | Dave Schweizer              |
| Mulberry Grove  | Brad Turner           | Dianne Neathery             |
| Bond County     | Wes Olson             | Jay Young                   |
| Brownstown      | Adam Bussard          |                             |
| St. Elmo        |                       |                             |
| Vandalia        |                       |                             |
| Ramsey          |                       |                             |
| Carlinville     | Mike Kelly            | Bobbie Claus                |
| Panhandle       | Aaron Hopper          | Terri Payne                 |
| Hillsboro       |                       |                             |
| Litchfield      | Jeff Strieker         | Jeff Helgen                 |

**Others Present:**

Brenda Patrick, Director  
Angie Armour, Assistant Director  
Crystal Lawler, Assistant Director  
Jeanne Vancil, Comptroller  
Michelle Rexroad, Business Manager  
Susan Sullivan, Executive Secretary

**Presentation of Proxies:**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Presented for review and approval:

- Official Designation of Officers
  - President – Representative from Litchfield Board of Education
  - Vice-President – Representative from Brownstown Board of Education
  - Secretary – Susan Sullivan, MSSE Executive Secretary
- Minutes from March 30, 2015 FY15 MSSE Consolidated Budget Amendment Hearing
- Minutes from March 30, 2015 Governing Board Meeting

- Recommendation for destruction of Executive Session audio recordings older than 18 months – none to destroy
- Annual Delegation of Duties to the Executive Committee
- Annual Delegation of Duties to the Director of Special Education

**Motion to approve all items on the consent agenda: Dale Brokamp, Morrisonville; second, Katie Fraley, Taylorville. Roll call yielded 11 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.**

#### **DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

**PowerIEP** – Mrs. Patrick shared that Mid-State Special Education’s sixteen member district currently serves approximately 2,773 students with IEPs. A new web based IEP system has been implemented. The new system, PowerIEP, will save up to 50% in staff time writing and navigating the previous system used. Two in-service trainings for each region were provided. A total of 186 teachers and special education administrators attended the trainings.

**Transition** – Transition is an area that has seen a great deal of growth. Three transition specialists work closely with staff to ensure that students are participating in course work that helps them reach and achieve post high school outcomes.

**In-Services** – Mrs. Patrick reported that Mid-State Special Education continues to work towards providing services for all students by providing in-service to staff. Staff trainings provided in June were:

- Differentiating Instruction: Access to the General Education Curriculum for All
- Collaborative Planning & Co-Teaching: Designing Environments for Successful Learning

**Due Process** – Mrs. Patrick stated that currently staff has been working through a Due Process case in Vandalia. The case has highlighted areas that will be focused on. In particular the reevaluation process and vocational evaluation will be concentrated on.

**Negotiations** – A new contract with the Christian Region staff has been negotiated. Montgomery/Carlinville Region is in the process of negotiations.

**Growth Model** – Mrs. Patrick reported that Mid-State Special Education in in the process of working with staff to develop the design and implementation of the Growth Model.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Personnel Action Items/Resolutions** – The following personnel action items that occurred since the March 30, 2015 Governing Board Meeting were presented for approval. These items have already been approved by the Region Boards.

- Mid-State Central
  - Certified (full-time) – Ruth Chesney
  - Non-Certified (full-time) – Michelle Rexroad
- Christian Region
  - Certified (full-time) – Mary Grace Stinebring, Erin Nicolas, Nathan Butler, Hannah Wankel, Cathy Molen, Gary Caniff
  - Non-Certified (full-time) – Catherine Dailey, Michele Pavolka, Derek Sincavage
  - Non-Certified (part-time) – Nichole Spain, Shannon Abendroth
  - Non-Certified Recall (full-time) – Amanda Porter, Shannon Reese
  - Non-Certified Recall (part-time) – Casey Kirkpatrick, Laura McNeely
- Montgomery/Carlinville Region:
  - Certified (full-time) – Shaun Stuckey, Sarah Walker, Victoria Wernle, Kimberly Baker, Jessica Kelly
  - Certified (licensed temporary basis) – Rebecca Rands
  - Non-Certified (full-time) – Lisa Edwards, Kelli McCaherty, Michelle Balla, Beth Matthews, Arrietta Lemon, Kayla Pennock, Jessica Furness, Beth Chapman, Jostlin Rademacher, Susan Bell, Michele Jacobs, Nicole Logan

**Motion to approve certified and non-certified staff employment as presented: Dave Schweizer, Nokomis; second Terri Payne, Panhandle. Roll call yielded 11 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.**

**Resolution Regarding Allocation of Part B Funds** – Approval from ISBE to proceed with the Resolution Regarding Allocation of Part B Funds has been received. Mrs. Patrick recommended approval of the Resolution.

**Motion to approve Resolution Regarding Allocation of Part B Funds as presented: Katie Fraley, Taylorville; second Bob Brandon, South Fork. Roll call yielded 11 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.**

**DISCUSSION:**

The next Governing Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 21, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mid-State Special Education office in Morrisonville.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.: Dale Brockamp, Morrisonville, second by Terri Payne, Panhandle. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Ms. Susan Sullivan, Recorder

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Governing Board President

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Governing Board Secretary

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