

Mid-State Special Education
Montgomery County/Carlinsville Region
Region Board Meeting
December 17, 2014
OFFICIAL MINUTES

PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

The regular meeting of the Mid-State Special Education, Montgomery County/Carlinsville Region Board was called to order by Chairman Mr. Mike Kelly at 9:17 a.m. Present were Mr. Aaron Hooper, Panhandle; Mr. David Powell, Hillsboro; Mr. Mike Kelly, Carlinsville; Mr. John Mullett, Litchfield

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Angela Armour, Assistant Director; Mrs. Vickie Throne, Secretary

Recognition of Visitors: Sharon Melcher, MC/CSEA representative

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Armour reviewed the Statement of Position for November 30, 2014 and the FY15 receipts versus expenditures report. Mrs. Armour reported that the ending monthly balance for November was \$1,972,086.54. Expenditures for December are anticipated at \$66,419.40. The projected December 31, 2014 ending balance is anticipated at \$1,342,368.63.

Mrs. Armour presented a brief review of the monthly payables for December. The payables list for December totaled \$4,851.31.

The open and executive session minutes of the November 19, 2014 meeting, the destruction of executive session audio recordings older than 18 months, the financial report and approval of bills were presented for approval.

A motion made by Mr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Mullett to approve the consent agenda, carried by a roll call vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Armour reported that on December 3, we held our holiday meeting for our speech language pathologists and teachers who are in the mentoring program as well as their mentors. The majority of the participants are in Year 1 Mentoring as we have 3 SLPs, 4 teachers, and the new Mid-State vision teacher who have all done a wonderful job during this first semester. Special thanks to our 2014-15 mentors: Laurie Nolan & Becky Rands in Carlinsville; Lorinda Jennings & Kristy DeLuka in Hillsboro; Debbie Musgrave & Shannon Billington in Litchfield; and Myra Tosh & Erica Schoen in Panhandle. I also appreciate Lyn leading the Year 1 Mentoring and Brandy who leads our Year 2 and Year 3 groups.

Mrs. Armour reported that in our 7th annual holiday art contest, we were pleased to receive 83 entries from kids in the Hillsboro district! Tyler Alexander, 5th grade student at Beckemeyer, was selected as the ornament artist for his snow globe with a Christmas tree. Hunter Mayer, 3rd grade student at Coffeen School, and Chase Horn, 6th grade student at HJHS, were selected as the featured artists on our holiday card. Congratulations to our featured artists and all those who participated. All of our staff received a card and ornament in thanks for their dedicated service to the students they serve throughout the year.

Mrs. Armour reported that with regard to Dynamic Learning Maps, all of our teacher administering this year are set up in the KITE system. Several have completed the training modules and are ready to start accessing student information in the KITE system.

Mrs. Armour reported that we are continuing to receive and process information from ISBE related to PARCC. On Monday, Brandy and Lyn had the opportunity to attend a half-day session on DLM and half-day session on PARCC presented by ISBE Principal Consultants for Assessment, Jessica Dare and Rachel Jachino. There wasn't a lot of new information shared except to expect more slight changes related to accommodations and accessibility supports especially as the PARCC Field tests are completed. Both Brandy and Lyn indicated that we are certainly ahead of many other districts and cooperatives. We hear that they are going to make another IEP form change based upon the third version of the PARCC Accommodation Manual. We are also working with teachers in the high schools that chose to switch the testing year from 11th grade to either 9th or 10th grade since these IEPs will need to be revised.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ACTION ON BUSINESS ITEMS

Personnel:

Certified Staff

A motion made by Mr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Hopper to recommend approving a medical leave for Laurie Nolan from January 5, 2014 through approximately January 5, 2015, carried by a roll call vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays.

Non-Certified Staff

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Armour reported that a copy of the Montgomery County/Carlinsville Seniority List for tenured teachers and non-probationary assistants was provided along with a certified non-tenured list and non-certified probationary list.

A motion made by Mr. Mr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Hopper to approve the certified and non-certified seniority and start date lists, carried by a voice vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays.

DISCUSSION

The next MC/C Region Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 9:15 a.m. at the MC/C Region office in Morrisonville.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Mr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Hopper to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vickie Throne, Recording Secretary