

Mid-State Special Education  
Montgomery County/Carlinsville Region  
Region Board Meeting  
October 16, 2013  
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. Aaron Hopper at 9:18 a.m. Present were Mr. Aaron Hooper, Panhandle; Mr. John Mullett, Litchfield; Mr. David Powell, Hillsboro; Mr. Mike Kelly, Carlinsville

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Angela Armour, Assistant Director; Mrs. Brenda Patrick, Director; Mrs. Lyn Becker, Coordinator; Mrs. Vickie Throne, Secretary

Recognition of Visitors: Lisa Engelke, MC/CSEA representative

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Armour reported that the Statement of Position for September 30, 2013 is available for review as well as the FY14 receipts versus expenditures report. Mrs. Armour reported that the ending monthly balance for September was \$1,922,191.86. Expenditures for October are estimated at \$387,000.00. The projected October 31, 2013 ending balance is \$1,535,216.02.

Mrs. Armour presented a brief review of the monthly payables for October. The payables list for October totaled \$2,275.84.

The open and executive session minutes of the September 18, 2013 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. Mullett and seconded by Mr. Powell to approve the consent agenda, carried by a roll call vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Armour reported that the upcoming Senior Conference will be held on November 15 at Lincoln Land Community College in Litchfield. We are expecting senior participants from all 16 school districts.

Mrs. Armour reported that today, we will host our Life Skills teachers after school in their monthly team meeting. They will continue their focus again this month on Common Core State Standards. They will apply CCSS and the Essential Skills to lesson planning and instruction for our students with the most significant disabilities.

Mrs. Armour reported that she has been working with elementary principals and district techs during the last few weeks on the Lexia conversion. Litchfield's conversion took place on Oct. 4 and Carlinsville's on Oct. 15. Mrs. Armour will continue to work with Hillsboro and Panhandle districts. Thanks to all the district techs for their input and support!

Mrs. Armour reported that we are gathering additional information about participating in the field test of Dynamic Learning Maps that will be used for students who qualify for IAA beginning next year. If a district is selected to participate in the 3 field test windows, they may complete a waiver so that the students do not complete IAA this year. If the district completes the waiver, the test scores will not count toward AYP.

Additionally, participation in this field study may be an excellent way for teachers and students to become more familiar with Dynamic Learning Maps and the computer-based delivery system before it is operational in the next school year.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion made by Mr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Kelly to enter into Executive Session carried by a voice vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays at 9:28 a.m.

A motion made by Mr. Mullett and seconded by Mr. Powell to return to open session carried by a roll call vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays at 9:30 a.m.

#### ACTION ON BUSINESS ITEMS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

##### Personnel:

##### Certified Staff

A motion made by Mr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Kelly to recommend accepting the retirement of Kristy France effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year with retirement incentives, pending TRS verification of eligibility and no ERO cost, carried by a roll call vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays.

##### Non-Certified Staff

A motion made by Mr. Mullett and seconded by Mr. Kelly to recommend the employment of Trena Whites as part-time assistant 3.5 hours per day effective October 1, 2013, carried by a roll call vote of 4 yeas, 0 nays.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

None.

#### DISCUSSION

The next MC/C Region Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 20, at 9:15 a.m. at the MC/C Region office in Morrisonville.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Mullett to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vickie Throne, Recording Secretary