

Mid-State Special Education  
Montgomery County/Carlenville Region  
Region Board Meeting  
November 20, 2013  
OFFICIAL MINUTES

PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

The regular meeting of the Mid-State Special Education, Montgomery County/Carlenville Region Board was called to order by Chairman Mr. Aaron Hopper at 9:29a.m. Present were Mr. Aaron Hooper, Panhandle; Mr. John Mullett, Litchfield; Mr. Mike Kelly, Carlenville

OTHERS PRESENT

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

Recognition of Visitors: Jill Wright, MC/CSEA representative

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. David Powell, Hillsboro

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Armour reported that the Statement of Position for October 31, 2013 is available for review as well as the FY14 receipts versus expenditures report. The projected November 30, 2013 ending balance is \$1,416,706.83.

The payables list for November totaled \$1,672.63.

The open and executive session minutes of the October 16, 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. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Mullett to approve the consent agenda, carried by a roll call vote of 3 yeas, 0 nays.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Armour reported that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Faculty Meetings are finished. Information was shared relating to Student Performance, Curriculum and Instruction, Defensible IEPs, and the Framework for Teaching & Professional Practice. 2013 Assessment Scores for ISAT and IAA by grade were shared and discussed. Teachers and SLPs are doing a great job linking IEP goals to the new Common Core State Standards. Much improvement has also been noted in the area of lesson planning to meet the requirement of comprehensive lesson plans for all instructional, co-taught, and resource classes.

Mrs. Armour reported that the Senior Conference was held on November 15 at Lincoln Land Community College in Litchfield. Eighty-nine seniors participated along with 47 volunteers. Students completed an application, participated in a mock interview, listened to three presenters from different agencies on the topics of Disability Services, Department of Rehabilitation Services, and Self-Advocacy, and participated in a problem solving activity. Thanks to the many volunteers and the districts for allowing the students and a teacher to attend. Also recognized were transition specialists, Laura Snyder, Randi Riemann, and Dawn Skorzewski for coordinating this valuable transition activity for our seniors.

Mrs. Armour reported that six of our SLPs attended the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association National Conference that was held in Chicago last week. Our SLPs are serving 347 students in our four districts. They see a very diverse population, and do an excellent job. They are excited about what they learned and are putting their new knowledge to use in our schools. Emails were received while they were away and since they have returned. They were all very thankful that they had the opportunity to attend a

convention of this caliber.

Mrs. Armour reported that the Joint Committee of the Montgomery County/Carlinville Region met on November 12, 2013. The Committee reviewed the Five Tasks of the Joint Committee and made no changes to previous determinations that the committee had made.

Mrs. Armour reported that following our last board meeting, she completed the surveys for the Dynamic Learning Maps. We were selected to participate. The actual waiver qualifications and process for participating in the DLM field tests second semester are evolving. Mrs. Armour has spoken to three individuals at ISBE attempting to have her questions answered. Since the DLM only covers the language arts and math areas currently, students participating in the field test in grades 4 and 7 would also have to take the IAA in this area. Since 0/22 of our students are in 4<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade, it is her recommendation that we proceed with participation in the DLM field tests.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion made by Mr. Mullett and seconded by Mr. Kelly to enter into Executive Session carried by a voice vote of 3 yeas, 0 nays at 9:36 a.m.

A motion made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Mullett to return to open session carried by a roll call vote of 3 yeas, 0 nays at 9:46 a.m.

#### ACTION ON BUSINESS ITEMS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

##### Personnel:

##### Certified Staff

A motion made by Mr. Mullett and seconded by Mr. Kelly to recommend approving the medical leave for Mary Taylor, special education teacher, through the end of the 2013-2014 school year, carried by a roll call vote of 3 yeas, 0 nays.

##### Non-Certified Staff

A motion made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Mullett to recommend the accepting the resignation of Tony Musgrove, assistant, effective December 31, 2013, carried by a roll call vote of 3 yeas, 0 nays.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

None.

#### DISCUSSION

The next MC/C Region Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday December 18, at 9:15 a.m. at the MC/C Region office in Morrisonville.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Mr. Mullett and seconded by Mr. Kelly to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Vickie Throne, Recording Secretary