

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Greene-Sullivan Special Education Cooperative

Administrative Offices 77 "A" Street N.E., Linton, IN

September 19, 2017

EXECUTIVE SESSION

9:30 AM

The purpose of this executive session will be:

The discussion of confidential student records, [IC 5-14 -1.5-6.1 (b) (7), (8)],

To discuss before a placement decision an individual student's abilities, past performance, behavior and needs, [IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (8)],

To receive information about prospective employees, [I.C. 5-14 -1.5-6.1 (b) (5)],

To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process, [IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) (9)],

To receive or discuss information about the budget, [IC 5-14-1.5-2 (3) (A)].

The Executive Board of the Greene-Sullivan Special Education Cooperative met in the Cooperative Board Room, 77 "A" Street N.E., Linton, IN on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. President, Mr. Chris Stitzle, called the Board to order at 10:44 AM and called the roll with the following members present:

Chris Stitzle, President – Southwest
Robert Hacker, Vice President - White River Valley
Jeff Gibboney, Secretary- Bloomfield
Nick Karazsia, Linton-Stockton
Mike Mogan, MSD Shakamak
Mark Baker, Northeast

REGULAR SESSION

10:30 AM

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the August 15, 2017 meeting were read beginning with "The minutes from the July 11, 2017 meeting were read..." through "...motion was passed unanimously."

Dr. Robert Hacker made a motion to approve the August 15, 2017 Board of Superintendents meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mike Mogan. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Treasurer's Report and Claim Docket

The Claim Docket (written vouchers #6876-6919); and pre-written vouchers #95221-95237); and electronic vouchers #20134-20150) was reviewed. Payroll dates and amounts since last Board meeting are as follows:

August 25, 2017 \$78,880.06

September 8, 2017 \$90,191.33

Dr. Mark Baker made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of claims. Mr. Nick Karazsia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments and Concerns

None noted. No members of the public were present.

4. Personnel

Resignations:

- a) Lisa Day – Sullivan Elementary Paraprofessional

Positions to Hire

- a) Sullivan Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional
- b) Sullivan Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional (New Position)
- c) Sullivan Elementary Paraprofessional
- d) Carlisle Elementary Paraprofessional
- e) Linton Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional

Transfers

- a) Tonya Lynn from Sullivan Life Skills to Sullivan Elementary Paraprofessional Position
- b) Bridget Dillingham from Sullivan Elementary Life Skills to Sullivan Middle School (Part Time)

Recommendations to Hire:

- a) Sullivan Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional – Cierra McCammon
- b) Sullivan Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional – Lynn Rose
- c) Sullivan Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional – Taylor Simmerman (New Position)
- d) Carlisle Elementary Paraprofessional – Marsha Craighead
- e) Linton Elementary Life Skills Paraprofessional – Jamie Martin

Mr. Nick Karazsia made a motion to accept all resignations, transfers, and recommendations for hire. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jeff Gibboney. The motion passed unanimously

5. DOE Information

- a) Spring 2017 ISTAR Reports
 - Schools should receive September 27, 2017

Ms. Sarah Sparks received an email stating the reports will not be ready by the initial proposed date.

- b) ISTAR 1 Percent Cap
 - Criteria for Participation in Alternate Assessment

Ms. Sarah Sparks distributed the latest information and guidance regarding Alternate Assessment. She explained that individual schools were not responsible for completing the waiver for going over 1%, because it was done statewide as a whole. The state is projecting the overall percentage to be over by 0.4%. There has been an addition of questions in the IEP for Case Conference Committee members to think more in depth about student needs regarding state assessments. Ms. Sarah Sparks noted the state may look into which schools are over 1% if the overall state number is over. Mr. Chris Stitzle asked when they would know if the state was over 1%. Ms. Sarah Sparks stated possibly October, but she would keep the Board of Superintendents informed of any updates.

6. Program Information

- a) Life Skills

Ms. Sarah Sparks noted there has continued to be move ins for the Life Skills program. There has also been an increase in students that attend school part time and ABA therapy outside of school.

b) Early Childhood

Ms. Sarah Sparks commented that Early Childhood numbers will be increasing due to the upcoming screener.

c) Speech Services

d) Life After School Program

It has been reported to Ms. Sarah Sparks that the Life After School Program is going well.

Mr. Chris Stitzle and Mr. Mark Baker stated they had not heard any concerns.

7. Unfinished Business

a) Part B Grant Application

-Submitted

Ms. Sarah Sparks stated the Application has been submitted, and has not received word on approval. She will continue to keep the Board of Superintendents updated. Mr. Mike Mogan commented that the application was much easier to fill out this year than in the past.

b) Budget 2017-2018

The budget was proposed and three assessment options were discussed. The overall assessment dollar amounts discussed were \$300,000.00, \$250,000.00, and \$200,000.

Dr. Mark Baker made a motion to approve assessment option \$200,000 for the 2017-2018 Budget. Mr. Mike Mogan seconded the motion. Mr. Nick Karaszia made a clarification that if \$200,000 was chosen, there would be a need to increase the Budget next year. The motion passed unanimously.

c) Preschool Screening Schedule

- September 29, 2017 @ Northeast East Elementary School
- October 20, 2017 @ White River Valley Elementary School
- February 9, 2018 @ Sullivan Elementary School
- March 16, 2018 @ Northeast East Elementary School
- May 4, 2018 @ White River Valley Elementary

d) CPI Training Schedule (Initial)

- November 3, 2017 @ Shakamak Elementary 8:30am-3:00pm
- February 23, 2018 @ White River Valley High School 8:30am-3:00pm

Mr. Chris Stitzle asked if the CPI information was sent out. Ms. Sarah Sparks replied that Dana Williams sent the schedule to all principals.

e) CPI Training Schedule (Refresher)

- September 21, 2017 @ Sullivan Middle School 8:30am-12:00pm
- January 18, 2018 @ GSSEC Training Room 12:00pm-3:30pm
- March 15, 2018 @ GSSEC Training Room 12:00pm-3:30pm

8. New Business

a) Teacher Appreciation Grant Policy

Ms. Sarah Sparks will notify the Board of Superintendents if the Teacher Appreciation Grant is approved and will send percentage information. Mr. Mike Mogan inquired how the money would be dispersed since schools are using direct deposit. Mr. Chris Stitzle suggested that money would be sent to Greene-Sullivan Special Education Cooperative to be dispersed. Mr. Mark Baker noted a chart would be needed because everyone's amounts will be different.

9. Director's Notes

Ms. Sarah Sparks shared Certificate of Completion information stating that all certificate courses will need to be named and include a course description. Requirements have not been finalized, but will include students being able to earn both credits and units.

10. Board Member Comments and Concerns

No Board Member concerns or comments.

11. Adjourn

Mr. Mike Mogan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Mark Baker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

The Next GSSEC Board of Superintendents' Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2017 with the executive session meeting beginning at 9:30 A.M. and public meeting beginning at 10:30 A.M.

Mark Baker
Chris Stigle
Bob Huh

Mike Mogan
Jeff Baker
Nick Karyon