

# MINUTES

## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

*Greene-Sullivan Special Education Cooperative*

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

February 13, 2018

### 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, February 13, 2018. President, Mr. Chris Stitzle, called the Board to order at 10:40 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  
Nathan Moore, Linton-Stockton  
Mike Mogan, MSD Shakamak  
Mark Baker, Northeast

### REGULAR SESSION

10:30 AM

#### **1. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the January 9, 2018 meeting were read beginning with "The minutes from the December 13, 2017 meeting were read..." through "...motion was passed unanimously."

*Mr. Jeff Gibboney made a motion to approve the January 9, 2018 Board of Superintendents meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Mark Baker. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **2. Treasurer's Report and Claim Docket**

The Claim Docket (written vouchers #7061-7104); and pre-written vouchers #95311-95335); and electronic vouchers #20225-20239) was reviewed. Payroll dates and amounts since last Board meeting are as follows:

January 12, 2018      \$64,873.67

January 26, 2018      \$82,150.98

February 9, 2018      \$95,967.55

*Dr. Robert Hacker made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of claims. Mr. Jeff Gibboney 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) None

#### **Positions to Hire**

- a) Paraprofessional – Linton Middle School
- b) Maternity Leave Substitute Teacher – Sullivan Middle School Life Skills
- c) School Psychologist/School Psychologist Intern – 2018-2019

#### **Recommendations to Hire:**

- a) Jerrica Landis – Linton Middle School

*Mr. Mike Mogan made a motion to approve Ms. Sarah Sparks' recommendation to hire. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nate Moore. The motion passed unanimously.*

### **5. DOE Information**

- a) ISTAR Participation CAP - Ms. Sarah Sparks discussed the 1% cap. She noted that each school district had been sent new numbers from the Department of Education. All schools over the 1% have sent the information back to the state.
- b) ESSA- Ms. Sarah Sparks offered to give a training on ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) to each of the school district administrators. Northeast and Southwest are currently signed up. Ms. Sarah Sparks stated that principals in conferences may change Harmony to reflect the correct School of Legal Settlement, or they should ensure the Student Changes Checklist is being completed by teachers and given to the correct personnel. Mr. Jeff Gibboney replied that he would prefer the checklist be completed and given to the school secretary.

### **6. Program Information**

- a) Life Skills – The Board of Superintendents were given the lists of number attendees for the Life Skills programs, separated by Corporation of Legal Settlement. An updated list will be provided quarterly.
- b) Early Childhood programs will begin preparing evaluation outcomes lists to plan for next year. Preschool classroom numbers are always changing, but there is an increase in First Steps transition beginning in April and throughout the summer months. A list of student attendee numbers will be provided more frequently due to numerous additions.
- c) Speech Services – Speech services will continue as is.
- d) Life After School Program – Ms. Sarah Sparks commented that the program is going well. She also noted that more students are being referred from schools with typically lower numbers.
- e) Hearing Services – Ms. Sparks received an email that the current services could finish at the end of this year because of the numerous districts being served by the Indiana Center of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education. Ms. Sarah Sparks will continue to advertise for a part-time DHH teacher and inquire about the possibility of Kristen Witt completing the 12 month certification if it is available.



## 7. Unfinished Business

- a) Preschool Screening Schedule
  - March 16, 2018 @ Northeast East Elementary School
  - May 4, 2018 @ White River Valley Elementary
- b) CPI Training Schedule (Initial)
  - February 23, 2018 @ White River Valley High School 8:30am-3:00pm
- c) CPI Training Schedule (Refresher)
  - March 15, 2018 @ GSSEC Training Room 12:00pm-3:30pm

Ms. Sarah Sparks will have a reminder sent to the schools of the CPI schedule. The last initial training will be February 23. Ms. Sarah Sparks suggested that all school buildings have an updated crisis team.

## 8. New Business

- a) Speech and Language Therapist Contract – Morgan Welch
- Ms. Sarah Sparks noted that she will look into the contract more and bring additional information to the March board meeting.

## 9. Director's Notes

-Spring 2018 ICASE

Ms. Sarah Sparks and Mrs. Dana Williams will be leaving for ICASE the following day. They hope to gain valuable information.

## 10. Board Member Comments and Concerns

There were no comments or concerns.

## 11. Adjourn

*Mr. Jeff Gibboney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Mark Baker. The motion passed unanimously.*

**The Next GSSEC Board of Superintendents' Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2018 with the executive session meeting beginning at 9:30 A.M. and public meeting beginning at 10:30 A.M.**

  
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