

**LINCOLN-WAY AREA SPECIAL EDUCATION  
Joint Agreement District 843**

**MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting, July 27, 2010**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Special Education, Will County, Illinois, held at Pioneer Grove Educational Center, 601 Willow Street, Frankfort, IL 60423, at 7:00 p.m. on the 27th day July 2010.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Klene at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Gillooley (District #122), Brian Klene (District #157C), Christopher Kosel (District #210) substituting for James Gast, Sean William Doyle (District #161) substituting for Dee Molinare, Katherine Moore (District #159)

Absent: Timothy Doyle, James Gast, Dee Molinare

Staff Present: Dr. Sally H. Bintz, Craig Englert, Cheryl Della Penna, Sue Kaczmarczyk, Eileen Parente

Visitors Present: Mary Kenny, Bob Nielsen

*Mr. Klene appointed Katherine Moore as Vice President Pro Tem.*

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION OF JUNE 22, 2010

***A motion was made by Susan Gillooley and seconded by Katherine Moore to approve the minutes of the Regular and Closed Session Meetings of June 22, 2010.***

***Voting Aye: Sean William Doyle, Gillooley, Klene, Kosel, Moore***

***Motion carried: 5 Aye, 0 Nay***

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. REPORTS

A. Treasurer's Report – Financial and Payables

Mr. Englert reviewed the Treasurer's Report with the Governing Board.

B. Review of Advisory Committee Minutes

There was no meeting scheduled in July.

C. Director's Report

1. *Transition House*

Dr. Bintz informed the Governing Board that she attended the Frankfort Village Board meeting on July 19, 2010 and the Trustees voted on the final approval of the Transition House. Mr. Bob Nielsen of Henry Bros. Company provided the Governing Board with a description of the steps that will be taken in the next two weeks regarding getting ready for demolition of the existing building. The utilities will be terminated at the structure this week and a protective safety fence will be put in place next week around the property. Mr. Nielsen will be meeting with the contractors and their staff and the demolition should occur within the next one and one half weeks. Mr. Nielsen continues to meet with committed partners to the Transition House and he will look for ways to save money on the project without changing the function of the design. Dr. Bintz spoke about a ground breaking celebration to occur just before the excavation for the new house. Mr. Nielsen would be of assistance with that event.

2. *Parent Advisory Council*

Dr. Bintz stated that the Parent Advisory Council will meet on August 2, 2010 and will continue to focus on parent mentoring and the Parent University.

3. *Extended School Year*

Dr. Bintz stated that this is the final week of ESY. She indicated there were approximately 330 students attending classes this summer. The Director will speak with the superintendents with regard to consolidating the site for the 2011 ESY to provide time during the summer to perform repairs and to complete scheduled projects the Pioneer Grove Education Center and the Mackay Education Center.

4. *Program and Staff Update*

Dr. Bintz indicated that the Cooperative has been able to hire back all but two of the paraprofessionals that were released in the Spring. All of the staff positions have been filled at this time.

5. *2010-2011 Budget*

Dr. Bintz stated that the Districts have the Cooperative budget and should be voting on it in the next month.

6. *Interim Financial Report*

Mr. Englert reviewed the Interim Financial Report with the Governing Board.

7. *Student Activity Report*

Dr. Bintz reviewed the student activity report. At this time she indicated the need for bicycles with specific dimensions that the Cooperative is seeking for student use during the school year to reinforce the skills they learn after completion of the school based and summer Lose the Training Wheels camps.

8. *Administrative Retreat*

Dr. Bintz stated that the Cooperative will host the second administrative retreat on August 4, 2010 to be held at house of one of the supervisors. The theme is "We Dance with the Stars." The Cooperative staff will attend in the morning and the District PPS personnel have been invited to join everyone in the afternoon.

9. *Opening Day of School*

Dr. Bintz informed the Governing Board that the opening day of school for the Cooperative is August 16, 2010 to be held at Lincoln-Way East High School. The guest speaker is Homer Hans Bryant. The Cooperative will hold a Health Clinic on August 17, 2010.

10. *FOIA Requests*

Dr. Bintz received a FOIA from Mr. Brad Bradley.

VI. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

***Acting on the recommendation of the Director, Katherine Moore moved, seconded by Sue Gillooley, for the Governing Board to ratify the Consent Agenda as follows:***

A. Approval of Current Payables

Current payables were presented for review in each respective fund.

B. Approval of Financial Statement

The Financial Statement for the month of June, 2010 and investments through July 27, 2010 was presented.

C. Approval of Personnel Items as Listed:

1. Resignations

**Certified Staff**

*Megan Vodrazka, CD teacher at the Mokena Intermediate School, effective July 27, 2010.*

2. Employment

**Certified Staff**

*Laura Rogers, CD teacher at the Mokena Intermediate School, effective August 16, 2010 at an annual salary of \$44,770.*

D. FMLA Requests

Employee 5903 to begin August 23, 2010.

**CONSENT VOTE:**

**Voting Aye:** Sean William Doyle, Gillooley, Klene, Kosel, Moore

**Motion carried:** 5 Aye, 0 Nay

VII. **CLOSED SESSION**

*A motion was made by Susan Gillooley and seconded by Katherine Moore to move to closed session at 7:37 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:*

**A.** the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.

**Voting Aye:** Sean William Doyle, Gillooley, Klene, Kosel, Moore

**Motion carried:** 5 Aye, 0 Nay

**OPEN SESSION**

*A motion was made by Susan Gillooley and seconded by Sean William Doyle to return to open session at 7:42 p.m. On voice vote the motion carried.*

VIII. **ACTION ITEMS**

IX. **INFORMATION ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Special Education will be held at 7:00 p.m. on July 27, 2010 at the Pioneer Grove Educational Center in Frankfort.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Katherine Moore and seconded by Susan Gillooley that the meeting be adjourned. All members voted Aye. Motion carried. President Klene declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl A. Della Penna,  
Administrative Assistant

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President

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Secretary