

**MINUTES OF THE SWCCCASE
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2010**

**CALL TO
ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education was called to order at 12:05 pm on Wednesday, December 15, 2010, by Dr. Margaret Longo, who presided as Chairman. The meeting was held in the Learning Links Rooms of Southwest Cooperative in Oak Forest, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members were found to be present: Dr. Tim Ricker (113a), Dr. Kenneth Sorrick (117), Dr. Joseph Dubec (118), Dr. Margaret Longo (142), Mr. Allen Jebens (145), Mrs. Barbara Mason (159), Dr. Sandra Doebert (210), Dr. Bill Kendall (228), Dr. James Gay (230) and Dr. Marion Hoyda (146) arrived at 12:16. Absent: Dr. Earline Scott (160). Also present: Dr. Gineen O'Neil, Executive Director, Ms. Christina Sepiol, Assistant Director and Mr. Tage Shumway, Business Manager.

**RECOGNITION
OF THE
PUBLIC**

Mr. Alan Sraga attorney for SWCCCASE.

**CONSENT
AGENDA
ITEMS**

Motion was made by Dr. Doebert seconded by Dr. Gay that upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the following items be considered under a consent agenda, unless otherwise requested by the Board: Approval of Minutes of November 12, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting and Closed Session, Approval of Invoices and Payroll, and Personnel Items. On roll call, the following voted aye: Ricker, Sorrick, Dubec, Longo, Jebens, Mason, Doebert, Kendall, and Gay. Naves, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Motion was made by Dr. Gay, seconded by Mr. Jebens that the Board move to closed session at 12:06 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of collective negotiating between the Cooperative and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for the one or more classes of employees. 5 ILC 120/2 (c)(2). Collective negotiating between the Cooperative and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for the one or more classes of employees. 5 ILC 120/2 (c)(2). The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the Cooperative, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5). Discussion of the Executive Directors contract. On roll call, the following voted aye: Ricker, Sorrick, Dubec, Longo, Jebens, Mason, Doebert, Kendall, and Gay. Naves, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.

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- OPEN SESSION *Motion was made by Dr. Doebert, seconded by Dr. Hoyda that the Board members return to open session at 12:37 p.m. On voice vote the motion carried.*
- REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER Mr. Shumway presented the monthly Statement of Position, showing an ending balance of \$11,238,965.32 as of December 31, 2010. He also commented on revenue and expense summaries for the month.
- 2011 PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE The Suburban School Cooperative Insurance Pool (SSCIP) met on December 3, 2010 for the 2011 Renewal meeting. The 2011 insurance premium for SWCCCASE is \$26,317 compared to the 2010 premium of \$26,136 (+.69%). The Board also discussed a separate proposal for a new coverage called "Cyber Risk Insurance". It provides SSCIP members with liability coverage and monetary reimbursement for losses that may be incurred due to the unauthorized access of their computer systems. The 2011 Cyber Risk Insurance Premium for SWCCCASE is \$1,655.
- REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR RECOGNITION OF P.E. TEACHER On November 30, 2010 the Adaptive P.E. teacher for SWCCCASE, Carol Kyle, was awarded the Maggiano's Hero Award. This award was sponsored through the Illinois Special Olympics. Carol's nomination stemmed from her development of the Young Athlete's program in District 142. Dr. O'Neil, Ms. Sepiol and Carol's family were present to celebrate Carol's recognition for all of the student athletes that she coaches and supports.
- REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR IAASE INNOVATIVE PRACTICES GRANT SWCCCASE is pleased to announce that Erin Hackett, VI Supervisor, was awarded an IAASE Innovative Practices grant of \$1,500 for her work on "Utilizing Apple iDevices with Students who are Blind or Visually Impaired to Improve Access to Print Materials and Electronic Media." The goal of this program is to get this new technology into the hands of our students to provide access to print materials and electronic media in a very portable, easy to use, versatile, and relatively inexpensive manner like never before. Several outcomes are expected from the use of the iPad and iPod Touch for students with visual impairments or who are blind. It is expected that students will utilize the devices to access information and reduce their need for multiple devices and print materials. Ms. Hackett will be presenting the outcomes of her Innovative Practices project at an upcoming IAASE conference.
- PUBLIC HEARING The City of Oak Forest held a public hearing on December 15, 2010 regarding the development of the property located at 5820 W. 151st Street for an age restricted living community. This property is adjacent to the Southwest Cooperative campus. The Board discussed their concerns of the location of this development.
- APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA *Motion was made by Dr. Sorricks, seconded by Dr. Hoyda, that the following items be approved under the consent agenda:*
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES Minutes of the November 12, 2010 regular meeting of the Board of Directors, as well as the closed session minutes of the same date.
- APPROVAL OF INVOICES AND The December 2010 invoices in the amount of \$1,263,495.21, the November 2010 payroll in the amount of \$1,052,754.31 and the estimated December 2010 payroll in the amount of

PAYROLL \$1,053,000.

REQUEST FOR
LEAVE OF
ABSENCE

Name	Position	Program	Type of Leave	Effective Date	Comment
Kellie Cole	Paraeducator	Braun	FMLA	12/20/10-3/14/11	
Jan Buckman	Secretary	Admin	FMLA	12/28/10-3/21/11	
Collette Doyle	Paraeducator	Transition	FMLA	11/20-12/8/10	
Vanessa Granato-Wagner	SLP	CD High School	FMLA	03/4-5/31/11	
Judith Gray	Interpreter	DHH High School	FMLA	12/14 – 12/17 following approx 11 wks intermittent lve.	

EMPLOYMENT OF
EDUCATIONAL
SUPPORT
STAFF

Name	Position	Program	Start Date	Step/Col.	Annual Salary	Assignment/Notes
Mary Ann Collins	Secretary	DRS	11/15/10	O	\$32,484.56 prorated to \$20,490.26 for 164 days	Replaces Sue Anderson
Amy Cortese	Paraeducator	Destiny Elementary	12/1/10	1/5	\$17,063 prorated to \$10,464.05 for 111 days	Replaces Amber Zipsie
Ann O'Flaherty	Paraeducator	CD Elementary	12/6/10	1/5	\$17,063 prorated to \$10,181.24 for 108 days	Replaces Nicole Steffen
Anthony Gianares	Part time Custodian	Mainenance	12/13/10	n/a	\$8.50 per hour as needed	Replaces Matt Arredondo

EMPLOYMENT OF PROFESSIONAL
STAFF

Name	Position	Program	Start Date	Step/Col.	Annual Salary	Assignment/Notes
Patricia Hooper	Behavior Consultant	Services	12/3/10	n/a	\$260 per day not to exceed 60 days	Replaces Mary Pels

REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL
STAFF

Approve the request for an additional 1.0 FTE DHH Teacher for the 2010-11 school year.

CONSENT
VOTE

On roll call, the following voted aye: Ricker, Sorrick, Dubec, Jebens, Longo, Hoyda, Mason, Doebert, Kendall, and Gay. Naves, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.

BOARD
REPORTS

Dr. Longo reminded the Board about the IASE meeting on January 27th located at the Midlothian Country Club. The objective of the meeting would be to review pension survey results.

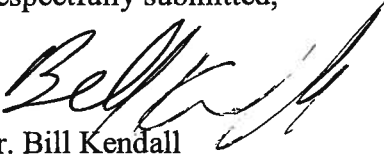
Dr. Longo also discussed the litigation of the Bremen Township Office.

Dr. O'Neil discussed information she received from "State School News". The discussion

focused on tenure and super tenure. The Board also discussed some information noted in the document about evaluation status. Dr. O'Neil will email the document to the Board members.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, *motion was made by Dr. Gay, seconded by Dr. Sorrick that the meeting adjourn at 1:30 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Bill Kendall
Secretary Protem