

**MINUTES OF THE SWCCCASE
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
MARCH 10, 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 12:00 pm on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, by Dr. Kenneth Sorrick, 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: Ms. Christy Flores (210), Dr. Joseph Dubec (118), Dr. James Gay (230), Dr. Marion Hoyda (146), Mr. Allen Jebens (145), Mr. Bill Kendall (228), Dr. Tim Ricker (113), Dr. Ronald Wynn (159) and Dr. Kenneth Sorrick (117). Dr. Earline Scott (160) arrived at 12:45 pm. Absent: Dr. Margaret Longo (142). 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 was present for the discussion of the Articles of Joint Agreement.
- CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** *Motion was made by Dr. Hoyda, 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 February 18, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting and Closed Session, Approval of Invoices and Payroll, and Personnel Items. On roll call, the following voted aye: Flores, Dubec, Gay, Hoyda, Jebens, Kendall, Ricker, Scott, Wynn, and Sorrick. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*
- CLOSED SESSION** *Motion was made by Dr. Wynn, seconded by Dr. Dubec, that the Board move to closed session at 12:51 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Cooperative or legal counsel for the Cooperative, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the Cooperative to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057 and 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), also 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).*
- On roll call, the following voted aye: Flores, Dubec, Gay, Hoyda, Jebens, Ricker, Scott, Wynn, Kendall, and Sorrick. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*

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OPEN
SESSION

Motion was made by Dr. Hoyda, seconded by Dr. Gay that the Board members return to open session at 12:50 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 \$8,185,725.34 as of February 28, 2010. He also commented on revenue and expense summaries for the month.

FY11
HEALTH
INSURANCE
RATES

Mr. Shumway reported that the preliminary FY11 medical and dental rate information was received at the EBC Preliminary Renewal meeting in February. The rate increases are projected to be 5% for PPO, 8.7% for HMO, and 4.4% for Dental. The Health Insurance Committee is scheduled to meet in late April.

REPORT OF
DIRECTOR
IEP SUBGROUP
PERFORMANCE

Dr. O'Neil reported that starting with the 2005 report card and continuing through the 2009 report card, the Department of Education (ED) granted Illinois flexibility in how it calculated AYP for the IEP subgroup. For schools not making AYP solely because the IEP subgroup failed to meet the meeting/exceeding standards benchmark, Illinois was allowed to add 14 percent to those schools' percentage of students meeting/exceeding standards for that subgroup. The flexibility was offered through 2008-09 school year and as a result of the time limitation, the transition flexibility is no longer available. Under law the secretary no longer has the authority to extend its use; therefore, this is not something that Illinois can appeal to ED.

FY09 SPECIAL
EDUCATION
PROFILE

The Illinois State Board of Education provides Special Education Data Profiles on an annual basis. The information includes data from the Fall Housing Report, Nonpublic Registration, Enrollment and Staff Report, and the FACTS (Special Education Funding and Child Tracking System). Some of this data is incompatible as it has been collected during various points in the school year. This summary is used by ISBE for comparisons and targeting sites for monitoring. Districts received their district profiles and also a copy of the SWCCCASE profile.

APPROVE THE
CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Dr. Wynn, seconded by Dr. Gay that the following items be approved under the consent agenda:

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Minutes of the February 18, 2010 the regular meeting of the Board of Directors, as well as the closed session minutes of the same date.

APPROVAL OF
INVOICES AND
PAYROLL

The March 2010 invoices in the amount of \$83,168.67, the February 2010 payroll in the amount of \$1,095,899.50 and the estimated March 2010 payroll in the amount of \$1,096,000.00.

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APPROVAL OF
EDUCATIONAL
SUPPORT
PERSONNEL

Name	Position	Program	Start Date	Step/ Col.	Annual Salary	Assignment/ Notes
Emily Pieper	Paraeducator	CD-Elem	2/3/10	1/5	\$17,063 prorated to \$7730.14	Arbor Park./Replacment for Mergenthaler
Amy Savoie	Paraeducator	CD-Elem	2/3/10	2/BA	\$17,490 prorated to \$7440.50	Kerkstra/replacement for Stacey Tucker
Jillian McManus	Paraeducator	Braun	2/4/10	4/5	\$18,375 prorated to \$7512.43	Braun/replacement for substitute
Gordon McInnis	Custodial/ Maintenance	Operations and Maintenance	3/8/10	A/1	\$27,490.32 Prorated to \$8,775.76	Admin Center/replacement for Daniel Disabato

RESIGNATION
OF ESP

Name	Position	Program	Effective	Comment
Daniel Disabato	Custodial/Mainenance	Operations & Maintenance	2/22/10	

REQUEST
FOR LEAVE
OF ABSENCE

Name	Position	Type of Leave	Effective Date	Comment
Kurt Smith	Paraeducator	Unpaid	2/20/10-3/31/10	Unpaid

CERTIFIED
STAFF INTENT
TO RETIRE

Intent to retire from Kathleen Miller, Program Supervisor for the Destiny Program at the end of the 2011-12 school year.

RELEASE OF
CERTIFICATED
STAFF

Per the Resolution Dismissing First Year Teachers, Day To Day Substitutes And/or Part-Time Probationary Staff From Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association For Special Education (Exhibit A), approve the release probationary certified staff Erik Kasper (teacher) and Rebecca Handler (EC Teacher); day to day substitutes Winifred Murray, Kerrie Wiedman, Erin McKee, Sharon McKeown, Michelle Hogueisson, Jennifer Leighter, Deborah Bernabei, and part-time nontenured certified staff Carl Boyens, Jennifer Clark, Stephanie DeCarlo, Lorraine Griffiths, Maureen O'Brien, and June Oosterhoff-Hoops.

REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL
STAFF

The CD and Transition Programs have requested additional staff for FY11 due to increased student enrollment.

OTHER ACTION Approve the text of the policy manual that IASB has created for SWCCCASE.
ITEMS –
POLICY
MANUAL

ARTICLES OF Mr. Sraga, attorney, joined the Board to discuss updating and changing the Articles of Joint
JOINT Agreement. The Board is required to amend its Articles of Joint Agreement to address the
AGREEMENT following issues (PA 96-0783 and PA 96 0769). It was agreed the language would be
 amended and brought back to the Board for discussion at a special Board meeting at a later
 date.

CONSENT *On roll call, the following voted aye: Flores, Dubec, Gay, Jebens, Kendall, Longo, Ricker,*
VOTE *Scott, and Sorrick. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*

BOARD Dr. O'Neil reported the IASA South Cook would meet Friday March 13, 2010 in
REPORTS Crestwood. They have 4 positions open and asked if any Board members were
 interested.

ADJOURNMENT *There being no further business, motion was made by Dr. Gay, seconded by Dr. Wynn*
 that the meeting adjourn at 2:01 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Earline Scott
Secretary