

EAST CENTRAL KANSAS COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION

September 8, 2020 BOARD MINUTES

The regular meeting of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education Board of Directors was held September 8, 2020, at the Performing Arts Center, Baldwin City, Kansas.

Members Present: Chris Perry, Susan Schifflbein, Mike Kelso, Amanda Donovan, Lorelea Hubert, Asst Director, Daniel Wray, Director, and Shelly McCart, Clerk of the Board.

Members Absent: Lynn Reazin and Gavin Fouts.

Additional Attendees:

Chris Perry, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Public Comment

Opening Business

Agenda Approval

Mike Kelso made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Susan Schifflbein slowly seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Approval of the August 11, 2020 Regular Board Minutes

Susan Schifflbein made a motion to approve the August 11, 2020 regular board meeting minutes. Mike Kelso seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Approval of the Financial Reports and Disbursements/Ledger Report

Mike Kelso made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented. Amanda Donovan seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Old Business

New Business

Mike Kelso made a motion to approve the ECKCE Interlocal Budget for 2020-2021. Amanda Donovan seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Director's Reports

- Personnel - Paraprofessional numbers are down about 30% as compared to the end of last year. The effective use of paras in the classroom will be emphasized this year. A resignation was received from one of the EC teachers in Eudora on August 16th. The position was posted immediately. The 5 classrooms have been consolidated into 4 to begin the school year as a replacement is sought.
- Gifted and IDEA file review - Wellsville is the district in the cohort this year. The self-report is 100% compliant and the random file audit will happen sometime in October.
- Fiscal File Review - The window opened last week and anticipate 100% self-reporting as usual.

- We underwent both our Single file audit and our KSDE audit in July. The reports for either are not yet available but should be by the next board meeting.
- Budget - The ECKCE FY21 budget was submitted prior to the August 25th deadline.
- Navigating Change - All staff in all districts have contacted parents on their caseloads and developed contingency plans and/or amendments for service delivery for their students.
- SEAC Update – SEAC plans are still on hold until it is determined whether a zoom format would be beneficial.
- Evaluations - Input regarding evaluations of the director and assistant director going forward. The Board feels that they should evaluate the director and he should evaluate the assistant, except for this first year. The same format will be utilized. Goal targets should be reviewed at the 6-month mark.

Executive Session

Board President Chris Perry made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters with Director Wray and Assistant Director Lorealea Hubert pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and returning to open meeting at 7:38 p.m. Mike Kelso seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

The Board returned to open meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Susan Schiffelbein made a motion to reduce the liquidated damages to \$2000 at the request of Samantha Holcomb for the termination of her contract. Mike Kelso seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Action on Personnel

Mike Kelso made a motion to accept the Paraprofessional and Certified resignations and hires as presented. Susan Schiffelbein seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Susan Schiffelbein made a motion to adjourn. Mike Kelso seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

These minutes are subject to final approval at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.
Shelly McCart,
Clerk of the Board

Action on Personnel

Resignations

Paraprofessionals:

Natalie Stober, BIC
Jenny Harris, WES
Penne Baker, EES
Hannah Reno, WES
Elliott Stiefel, WEBS
Teresa Jones, BHS
Tyson Kelly, EHS
Amanda Arnold, EMS
Jillian Schultz
Sarah Reynolds, Bridges

Certified:

Samantha Holcomb, Eudora EC

Hirings

Paraprofessionals:

Amy Roe, WES
Tony Jones, BIC
Ashlee Schuler, EES
Chelsea King, EES
Kagen Fell, EMS
Cindy Hemberg, EES
Shay Wilson, EMS
Hannah Eldridge, BIC
Mackenzie Moore, WMS