

EAST CENTRAL KANSAS COOPERATIVE IN EDUCATION

November 12, 2019 BOARD MINUTES

The regular meeting of the East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education Board of Directors was held October 8, 2019 at the Cooperative Central Office, Baldwin City, Kansas.

Members present: Chris Perry, Susan Schiffelbein, Amanda Donovan, Dawn Whalen, Daniel Wray, Director, and Shelly McCart, Clerk of the Board.

Members Absent: Mike Kelso and Lynn Reazin.

Additional Attendees: none.

Chris Perry, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Public Comment

None.

Opening Business

Agenda Approval

Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Susan Schiffelbein seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Approval of the October 9, 2019 Regular Board Minutes

Amanda Donovan made a motion to approve the October 9, 2019 regular board meeting minutes. Chris Perry seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Approval of the Financial Report and Disbursements

Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented. Susan Schiffelbein seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the Quantum Health Professionals Physical Therapy Agreement for November/December. Amanda Donovan seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Dawn Whalen made a motion to approve the Guidelines for Independent Educational Evaluations. Susan Schiffelbein seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

Susan Schiffelbein made a motion to approve the Affiliation Agreement with KU. Amanda Donovan seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Director's Reports

- Personnel-There have been some attendance issues with some paraprofessionals that have been addressed and the individuals appropriately noticed.
Our Physical Therapist received a decision from the Kansas Board of Healing Arts that denied her request to approve her license, which she is appealing. In the interim we have extended our contract with Quantum to continue our PT services through the end of the semester.
- Affiliation Agreement with KU-As a part of the efforts to obtain an H1B visa for one of our teachers, it was recommended by our immigration attorney to have an affiliation agreement.
- Budget-A revision was presented to the superintendents that would result in an increase of 9.8-11.9%, depending on the district, but they are concerned that it is still not viable. One alternative suggested was a reduction in positions, but based on IEP needs of the three districts, it would not be appropriate. Also, those considerations cannot be made without violating the Maintenance of Effort (MOE), unless it is a voluntary departure. A more plausible idea is to agree to have a consistent equitable negotiations amount that will limit all four LEA units from creating more disparity between all the salary schedules.
- Independent Educational Evaluator Guidelines-This document explains the criteria to be followed by independent evaluators and was created in response to a request for an IEE.
- SEAC-The group would like to decrease the frequency of the meetings so more could be in attendance. There will be no November meeting. Facebook participation is increasing, and the Unified sports has begun with good participation thus far.

Executive Session

None.

Action on Personnel

Susan Schiffelbein made a motion to accept the para resignations and hires as presented. Amanda Donovan seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Susan Schiffelbein made a motion to adjourn. Amanda Donovan seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 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:

Maggie Hamilton, BPC

Johnny Lee, BHS

New Hires

Paraprofessionals:

Jamie Jewell, WES

Brooke Simmons, EES