

**Woodford County Special Education Association**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**December 9, 2021, 8:00 a.m., WCSEA Office**

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Mr. Bob Bardwell on December 9, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

*Members present:*

Dr. Ben Lee	#1
Mr. Tim Turner	#2
Dr. Kari Rockwell	#6
Mr. Tom Welsh	#60
Mr. Dan Mair	#69
Mr. Sean O'Laughlin	#122
Mr. Bob Bardwell	#140

*Members not present:*

Mr. Robert Bagby	#21
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*Others present:*

Dr. Eric Scroggs, Executive Director  
Mr. Brad Davis, Parent Advisory Committee  
Mrs. Maureen Whalen and Mrs. Kristin Fehr, Special Education Administrators

Moved by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. O'Laughlin, to approve the Executive Committee meeting minutes of November 11, 2021; and the bills, treasurer's reports and financial reports of January 13, 2022, and the destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings Older than 18 months. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Dr. Scroggs and Brad Davis provided an update of the December 6<sup>th</sup> Parent Advisory Committee meeting. Julie Gruber, WCSEA administrator serving Metamora Grade provided and update on the review of their special education system and shift to more inclusive placements for students. The group also had a discussion about potential areas of focus moving forward.

Moved by Mr. O'Laughlin, seconded by Mr. Mair, to approve the employment of Kassandra Wright as Paraprofessional for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year, and Haleigh Glick at School Psychologist for the 2022-2023 year, both pending completion of licensure results and results of background check. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Moved by Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to approve increase of substitute teacher pay to \$120 per day, and paraprofessional sub pay to \$100 per day. Each superintendent shared the pay of their districts. Concern about the amount of increase was expressed, but expression of the need for subs was also reflected in the discussion. The item passed 6-1, with Mr. O'Laughlin voting "no" and all other members voting "yea."

Moved by Mr. O'Laughlin, seconded by Dr. Rockwell, to approve the out-of-state travel for Eric Scroggs to visit Grand Canyon University in January, and Andrea Hartnett to attend Ukeru training in Virginia in January. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Moved by Mr. O'Laughlin, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to approve the IMRF Resolution 6.72 All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

The committee reviewed and discussed the PRESS Policy 108 recommended revisions. Final approval of the policy revisions will be voted on at the January meeting.

Maureen Whalen, WCSEA Administrator, provided an update on her work to explore placement and service options for a small number of students in ECE who require more intensive supports. The committee members asked for Dr. Scroggs and Mrs. Whalen to bring specific recommendations for services to a future meeting for consideration. Dr. Lee and Dr. Rockwell indicated they are interested in helping plan as well.

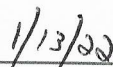
Dr. Scroggs provided a brief update on staffing needs for 2022-2023. Specifically, he discussed the potential for hiring an additional school psychologist to support additional requests from districts for services.

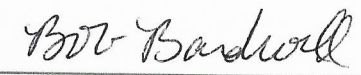
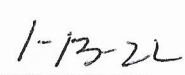
Dr. Scroggs indicated that the IDEA Excess Cost information is still not available for the upcoming submission. He also indicated that the final FY22 allocations for the FY22 grants have not been posted, but as soon as they are, he would provide information to the superintendents.

Dr. Scroggs submitted the amended retirement incentive notice for Theresa Fandel, ECE Teacher, for the end of the 2021-2022 school year, rather than the end of the 2022-2023 year as she originally intended.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Mair, seconded by Dr. Rockwell, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 a.m. All present voted "yea".

  
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Committee Secretary

  
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