

Woodford County Special Education Association
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
January 12, 2023, 8:00 a.m., WCSEA Office

The meeting was called to order by chairman, Mr. Bob Bardwell on January 12, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

Members present:

Dr. Ben Lee	#1	
Mr. Tim Turner	#2	
Mr. Jason Chaplin (alternate)	#6	
Mr. David Johnson	#21	arrived at 8:04am
Mr. Tom Welsh	#60	
Mr. Sean O'Laughlin	#122	
Mr. Bob Bardwell	#140	

Members not present:

Mr. Dan Mair	#69
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Others present:

Dr. Eric Scroggs, Executive Director
Maureen Whalen, Special Education Administrator
Mr. Brad Davis, Parent Advisory Committee
Mr. Gary Miller, Interim Fieldcrest Superintendent via Google Meet

Moved by Mr. O'Laughlin, seconded by Mr. Turner to approve the Executive Committee meeting minutes of December 8, 2022; the bills, treasurer's reports and financial reports of January 12, 2023; and the destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings Older than 18 months. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Moved by Mr. O'Laughlin, seconded by Mr. Turner, to approve the employment of Tiffany Staples and Danielle Sidders as full time paraprofessionals for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year pending results of background checks, and a change of FTE from full time to part time for Diane Kruzick, COTA. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Moved by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. O'Laughlin, to approve the minutes from 10/13/22 and 11/10/22 remain closed, while all other minutes remain closed at this time. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Moved by Mr. Turner, seconded by Mr. Welsh, to approve adoption of the revisions from PRESS Policy from Issue 110: 2:10, 2:105, 2:150, 2:250, 2:265, 3:10, 4:165, 4:55, 5:170, 5:190, 5:20, 5:220, 5:250, 5:260, 5:280, 5:320, 5:330, 6:20, 6:250, 6:255, 6:260, 6:270, 6:340, 6:65, 7:100, 7:180, 7:250, 7:285, 7:290, 7:340, 7:50, and 7:70. Of note, 4:10 was not adopted because the Cooperative does not levy funds. Additionally, 5:250 was edited to remove the line regarding vaccinated employees for the COVID leave because WCSEA previously adopted a policy allowing all employees leave related to COVID, regardless of vaccination status. That previous policy (Policy 5:187) is attached. All present voted "yea" on roll call vote.

Dr. Scroggs discussed the needs for the 2023-2024 school year. Numbers in the Skill Builders program are projected to rise to a level that will require an additional classroom. Discussions are underway with the Fieldcrest School District to add the classroom at Fieldcrest Primary. Additionally TMCSEA will no longer be able to provide Hearing Itinerant services, so WCSEA will need to hire a HI Teacher. Efforts are also underway to recruit multiple school psychologists, school social workers, and psychologist interns.

Dr. Scroggs reminded the superintendents to complete the IDEA Flow Through and Preschool grant amendments to allocate the entire grant amount and the completion of the IDEA Excess Cost report in IWAS by February 28th.

Dr. Scroggs indicated that the second semester billing would be sent at the beginning of February.

Dr. Scroggs submitted the annual seniority report to the Executive Committee.

Resignations were submitted for April Doty, Nurse effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year and rescind employment of Michaela Mall, Special Education Teacher who accepted employment with another district.

Moved by Mr. O’Laughlin, seconded by Mr. Turner at 8:31am to enter into Executive Session for the Purposes of Discussing Employment of Employees, Collective Negotiating Matters Between the Public Body and Its Employees or Their Representatives, or Deliberations Concerning Salary Schedules for One or More Classes of Employees. (Illinois *Open Meetings Act*, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(2). All present voted yes.

Mr. O’Laughlin exited the meeting at 8:40am.

Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Welsh at 8:57am to enter back into open session. All present voted yes. No action was taken as a result of discussions in Executive Session.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Lee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:09 a.m. All present voted "yea".


Board Secretary


Date


Chairman

Date