

**LINCOLN-WAY AREA SPECIAL EDUCATION
Joint Agreement District 843**

MINUTES

Regular Meeting, December 19, 2017

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Special Education, Will County, Illinois, held at Pioneer Grove Educational Center, 601 Willow Street, Frankfort, IL 60423, at 7:00 p.m. on the 19th day December, 2017.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

Roll Call

Present: Ron Lullo (District #210), Anna Briscoe (District #159), Edie Adamski (District #157C),
Dave Faber (District #161)

Staff Present: Sarah Rexroad, Director
Colleen Wronski, Business Manager
Kristin Menconi, Administrative Assistant

Visitors Present: Holly Kasper, Teacher
Judy Boyens, Supervisor
Sue Kaczmarczyk, Principal, Pioneer Grove
Carolyn Brescia, Transportation Supervisor

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Acting on the recommendation of the Director, Anna Briscoe moved, seconded by Edie Adamski for the Governing Board to ratify the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approval of the November 28, 2017, Regular and Closed Session Minutes
2. Approval of Financial Statement
3. Approval of Current Payables
4. Approval of Personnel Items
5. Approval of Policies

Voting Aye: Adamski, Briscoe, Faber, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

D. REPORTS

1. Administrative Reports

a. ACCESS & Transportation- Carolyn Brescia

Ms. Brescia stated that Mokena Junior High students went on a tour at Aurelio's Pizza in Frankfort where they made their own pizzas. They then toured the Frankfort Fire Department Training Center, where they dropped off ten bags of toys and clothes for local families in need. Last Friday the students went to the New Lenox Mayor's annual holiday transition party. The Anna McDonald 3rd graders participated in the school music program. Parents are invited to come on December 21st to see the ACCESS class family holiday celebration. The Wilson Creek 2nd grade students have been preparing for their holiday music program. The students also shopped for their families at Santa's Secret Shop. Ms. Brescia stated that Transportation is currently transporting 544 students.

b. Mackay Center- Marie Goulet
No report available.

c. Pioneer Grove & PSO- Sue Kaczmarczyk

Mrs. Kaczmarczyk stated that there are two new students that started this week. The PSO held Santa's Secret Shop last week. It went very smooth and the children really enjoyed it. Mrs. Kaczmarczyk also mentioned the PSO held a Breakfast with Santa that was held on December 9th which was very well attended. The children had a wonderful time. On December 21st the holiday sing-along at Pioneer Grove will be held.

d. SELF- Judy Boyens

Dr. Boyens mentioned that SELF has acquired a student from District #140. Dr. Boyens did go and present to their behavior program. Mrs. Rexroad mentioned that she and Dr. Boyens held a tea and cookies last month. A couple of parents showed up, and had great feedback for them. Mrs. Adamski asked if the Governing Board can see feedback from these types of meetings. Mrs. Rexroad stated that she would put something together in the future.

2. Finance Report

Mrs. Wronski stated that all of our member districts have received their eighth bill from us. On the January bill each district should see a decrease in their tuition rates. Mrs. Wronski stated that we need Board action this evening to replace the bus that was totaled in an accident last month. Transportation is looking at how many buses they will not need for next fiscal year since we will no longer be providing transportation to New Lenox School District #122. Mrs. Wronski mentioned that a lift will be coming tomorrow so we can install the new lights in the gym at Pioneer Grove over the weekend and into next week.

3. Director's Report

a. Review of Advisory Committee Minutes – December 11, 2017

Mrs. Rexroad presented the minutes from the December 11, 2017 Advisory Meeting.

b. Staff & Classroom Update

Mrs. Rexroad reviewed the enrollment in the programs.

Pioneer Grove:	54
Mackay Center:	44
SELF:	30
ACCESS:	14
Transportation:	535

Mrs. Rexroad mentioned that Summit Hill District #161 will be keeping their SELF program at District #843 for the 2018-19 school year.

c. Technology Report

Mrs. Rexroad stated that our website is almost completely up to date. It should be complete around the middle of January. Mr. Furgason is researching vendors for Voice Over IP, and we are hoping to make that switch this summer. Mrs. Adamski asked if there will be any big ticket items coming up. Mrs. Wronski mentioned a server update that may happen in the next 2-3 years. Mrs. Rexroad mentioned that Mr. Furgason will be providing a report as one of his goals in February/March.

d. FMLA

Tammy Burns, Paraprofessional, effective December 26, 2017

Emilee Pisarski, Teacher, effective April 25, 2018

Stacy Tucker, Teacher, effective August 13, 2018

e. FOIA

There were none

E. CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Edie Adamski and seconded by Dave Faber to move to closed session at

7:23 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

- A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees.**
- B. Litigation**

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Anna Briscoe and seconded by Edie Adamski to return to open session at 7:28 p.m. On voice vote the motion carried.

F. OLD BUSINESS
No Old Business

G. NEW BUSINESS
No New Business

H. ACTION ITEMS

1. Gift Received

A motion was made by Anna Briscoe and seconded by Edie Adamski that the Governing Board approve the gift of a Busy Board with an approximate value of \$25.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Briscoe, Faber, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

2. Transportation Lease

A motion was made by Anna Briscoe and seconded by Edie Adamski that the Governing Board approve the transportation lease with Midwest Transit Equipment for the amount of \$57,730.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Briscoe, Faber, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

I. NEXT MEETING

January 23, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. – Pioneer Grove Educational Center

J. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Anna Briscoe and seconded by Edie Adamski that the meeting be adjourned. All members voted Aye. Motion carried. President Lullo declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Menconi,
Administrative Assistant

President

Secretary