

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

MINUTES

Regular Meeting, March 20, 2018

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 20th day of March, 2018.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

Roll Call

Present: Ron Lullo (District #210), Edie Adamski (District #157C), Rich Marron (District #161), Terry Doyle (District #114)

Members Absent: Anna Briscoe (District #159)

Staff Present: Sarah Rexroad, Director
Kristin Menconi, Administrative Assistant

Visitors Present: Sue Kaczmarczyk, Principal, Pioneer Grove
Judy Boyens, Supervisor
Marie Goulet, Principal, Mackay
Carolyn Brescia, Transportation Supervisor

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Acting on the recommendation of the Director, Rich Marron moved, seconded by Terry Doyle for the Governing Board to ratify the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approval of the February 27, 2018, 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, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

****Item 3 was removed from the consent agenda to be discussed after closed***

D. REPORTS

1. Administrative Reports

a. ACCESS & Transportation- Carolyn Brescia

Ms. Brescia stated that some of the students in ACCESS will be finishing bowling club at Thunder Bowl this week. The class went to Special Games last week at Lincoln-Way Central to cheer on past classmates. At Anna McDonald on March 2nd the students went bowling at Laraway Lanes as part of the star rewards behavior incentive program. On Friday students will attend a spring party where the teachers planned a surprise Easter egg hunt. Students at Wilson Creek will join some of their peers at a picnic with the Principal. Transportation is transporting 569 students.

b. Mackay Center- Marie Goulet

Ms. Goulet shared that the students are participating in spirit week this week. Mackay is currently at 41 students and anticipating a few more starting over the next few weeks. Ms. Goulet stated they

had an Institute Day on March 9th where they did a refresher for all staff in CPI. Ms. Goulet will be in Peoria at a fire inspector's conference about school safety on Thursday. Ms. Goulet stated that she was very proud of her students with how they handled the school walkout.

c. Pioneer Grove & PSO- Sue Kaczmarczyk

Mrs. Kaczmarczyk stated that report cards went home last Friday. This Friday the Easter bunny will visit the students, and they will receive a treat from the PSO. Mrs. Kaczmarczyk shared that Pioneer Grove is currently wrapping up with interns and students teachers. They are also preparing for a Mother's Day tea on May 4th. Mrs. Kaczmarczyk stated they have a student from Mokena who won the student technology award from Infinitec. The award ceremony was held at Odyssey Country Club and was a great event.

d. SELF- Judy Boyens

Dr. Boyens stated that three new students have started in the program. Currently they are at 28 students. Dr. Boyens took Manteno Consolidated School District # 5 on a tour last week. They would like a student to begin for ESY. Dr. Boyens is scheduled to take a Homewood family after spring break on a tour as well. PARCC testing has commenced this week for all students. Dr. Boyens reviewed the Fastbridge benchmark scores today. Between fall and winter 70% of students have increased their scores in math, and 90% of students have increased their scores in English and language arts.

2. Finance Report

a. Review of Accounts

Mrs. Rexroad shared that the account balances are right on target for this time of year.

b. Transportation

Mrs. Rexroad stated there are two action items for tonight for transportation including the bus leases and District #122 notice.

3. Director's Report

a. Review of Advisory Committee Minutes – March 12, 2018

Mrs. Rexroad presented the minutes from the March 12, 2018, Advisory Meeting.

b. Staff & Classroom Update

Mrs. Rexroad reviewed the enrollment in the programs.

Pioneer Grove:	57
Mackay Center:	39
SELF:	29
ACCESS:	14
Transportation:	565

c. 2018-19 Program Changes

Mrs. Rexroad is recommending the reduction of one teacher and two paraprofessionals, which are action items tonight. In addition, there is a recommendation to reduce once social work position.

d. Technology Report

Mrs. Rexroad stated that Mr. Furgason is working with getting the VoiceOver IP equipment in place before our contract runs out with AT&T.

e. FMLA

Tina Maestre, Paraprofessional, effective February 7, 2018, for up to 12 weeks

f. FOIA

there were none.

E. CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Terry Doyle and seconded by Edie Adamski to move to closed session at 7:33 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

- A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees.
- B. Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property.

A motion was made by Rich Marron to amend the closed session to also include the discussion of closed session meeting minutes and seconded by Edie Adamski.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Terry Doyle and seconded by Edie Adamski to return to open session at 8:55 p.m. On voice vote the motion carried.

F. OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Terry Doyle and seconded by Rich Marron to table Item C. 3 in the consent agenda. On voice vote the motion carried.

G. NEW BUSINESS

No New Business

H. ACTION ITEMS

1. Infinetec Assistive Technology Membership fees for 2018-2019

A motion was made by Rich Marron and seconded by Edie Adamski that the Governing Board approve the Infinetec Assistive Technology Membership fees for 2018-2019.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

2. Bus Leases

A motion was made by Rich Marron and seconded by Edie Adamski that the Governing Board approve the bus lease agreements as presented for a total of \$116,054.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

3. Transportation Notice

A motion was made by Terry Doyle and seconded by Rich Marron that the Governing Board approve the transportation notice to District #122 as presented.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

4. Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Certified Staff

A motion was made by Rich Marron and seconded by Terry Doyle that the Governing Board approve the resolution authorizing honorable dismissal of certified staff.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

5. Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Non-Certified Staff

A motion was made by Terry Doyle and seconded by Edie Adamski that the Governing Board approve the resolution authorizing honorable dismissal of non-certified staff.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

6. Director Contract

A motion was made by Edie Adamski and seconded by Terry Doyle that the Governing Board approve the Director contract version 2 for the 2018-2019 school year.

Voting Aye: Adamski, Doyle, Marron, Lullo

Motion carried: 4 Aye, 0 Nay

I. NEXT MEETING

April 24, 2018 – 7:00 p.m. – Pioneer Grove Educational Center

J. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rich Marron and seconded by Edie Adamski that the meeting be adjourned. All members voted Aye. Motion carried. President Lullo declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Menconi,
Administrative Assistant

President

Secretary