

OGLE COUNTY EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The Executive Board of the Ogle County Educational Cooperative met at the Administration Building in Byron on August 20 at 10:10 a.m. Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order. The following members answered the roll call: Mr. Shepherd (AM), Dr. Kokaska (CR), Dr. Mayberry (ES), Mr. Taylor (FO), Mr. Stott (KI), Mr. Bob Prusator (ME), Dr. Mattingly (OR), Mr. Rademacher (PO), Mr. Todd Prusator (RE), Mr. Craven (RTHS) and Ms. Bua (ST)

Also present: Mr. Noble and Lisabeth Wolfgram.

Mr. Noble introduced Ms. Wolfgram as the new Special Education Coordinator.

Mr. Taylor requested a motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2009 Executive Board meeting. Dr. Mayberry motioned and it was seconded by Dr. Mattingly. The motion was unanimously passed.

Mr. Taylor requested a motion to approve the financial statement and the payment of bills. Mr. Noble stated the Chana well repairs were included in these invoices. Also, Mr. Tom Lynch was reimbursed for his time & travel for the regional board hearing that was scheduled in July and then postponed.

Dr. Mayberry motioned to approve the financial statement and the payment of bills, and Dr. Mattingly seconded.

Ayes: Mr. Craven, Ms. Bua, Dr. Mayberry, Dr. Mattingly, Mr. Rademacher, Mr. Todd Prusator, Mr. Stott, Dr. Kokaska, Mr. Bob Prusator, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Shepherd.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Mr. Noble recommended the re-employment of a life skills paraprofessional, Susan Wolf, for the FY10 school year. Ms. Wolf was rified in March but after the resignation of Mary Edwards, an additional paraprofessional was needed. He also requested the approval of resignation of Brian Hall, part-time custodian at the OCEC office, Mary Edwards, paraprofessional at RTHS, Jody Whitlock, part-time secretary at the OCEC office, and retirement of Bill Moser, custodian at the Chana Education. Mr. Noble also recommended the retirement notices for two staff members. Ms. Jennifer Riley, school nurse, will be retiring at the end of the 2013 school year and Ms. Joan Baumer, social worker, will be retiring at the end of 2012 school year. Mr. Stott motioned and Mr. Craven seconded the motion to accept the director's recommendations.

Ayes: Dr. Mayberry, Dr. Mattingly, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Stott, Mr. Todd Prusator, Mr. Bob Prusator, Mr. Craven, Mr. Rademacher, Ms. Bua, Dr. Kokaska, and Mr. Taylor.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Mr. Noble presented a brief demonstration of the new web based IEP program. An estimated amount of 130 Special education teachers throughout the county attended training on August 10th and 11th at Oregon High School and Rochelle Township High School.

Mr. Noble stated the auditors are requesting the OCEC Executive Board designate an individual to review and sign off on the financial statements of the fiscal audit report, the annual financial report to the state, and the data collection form. Mr. Noble recommended the Chairman of the Executive Board, Mr. Lowell Taylor, be appointed. Mr. Stott motioned for the appointment of Mr. Taylor and Mr. Bob Prusator seconded the motion. All members were in favor of the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

The FY10 tentative budget was presented to the board members which includes Byron in the equation. Mr. Noble presented a visual presentation of the central cost and billing process with a handout of the power point presentation. Billing is based on 50% district enrollment and 50% child count. IDEA credit is based on district child count. The subgrant amount is divided by total child count then distributed to each district member based on their child count. Dr. Mayberry motioned to approve the FY10 budget as presented and Ms. Bua seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mr. Todd Prusator, Mr. Bob Prusator, Dr. Kokaska, Dr. Mattingly, Mr. Rademacher, Mr. Craven, Mr. Stott, Mr. Shepherd, Ms. Bua, Dr. Mayberry, and Mr. Taylor.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

The Executive Board members received a list of students who will be attending OCEC programs in FY10. The programs are housed at Highland Elementary, May Elementary, Aplington Middle School, Rochelle Middle School, Oregon High School, Rochelle Township High School, and the Chana Education Center. Mr. Noble stated that the Chana Education Center was not included on the handout therefore he will email that information to the district members.

Mr. Noble presented the results from the needs assessment survey that was conducted throughout the Cooperative region. The top three responses in each category were listed which include: Service Type, Technical Assistance and Additional needs, supports and inservices. OCEC will work on additional support for the coming school year.

Mr. Noble discussed the Certified Staff Evaluation process. He stated that during the 2008/2009 school year a committee, consisting of administrators and OCEC staff, reviewed and updated the certified staff evaluation process. He noted that the current evaluation instrument would not allow an exceptional tenured staff member i.e. OT, PT, Vision Teacher & Psychologists, to work towards improvement. The committee developed an additional Professional Growth Component to the evaluation process.

The Executive Board did not go into Executive Session.

At 10:58, the Executive Board meeting adjourned. Dr. Mayberry motioned to move to adjourn the Executive Board. Ms. Bua seconded the motion.

Vote to adjourn the meeting was unanimous.

Lowell Taylor, President

Tammy Moser, Recording Secretary