

OGLE COUNTY EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The Executive Board of the Ogle County Educational Cooperative met at the Administration Building in Byron on July 22, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order. The following members answered the roll call: Mr. Craven (RT), Ms. Bua (ST), Mr. Zick (AFC), Mr. Mahoney (OR), Mr. Bob Prusator (ME), Ms. Nelson (AM), Mr. Stott (KI), and Mr. Taylor (FO).

Also present: Mr. Noble and Ms. Amy Jo Clemens

Absent members: Dr. Fostiak (BY), Dr. Mayberry (ES), Dr. Kokaska (CR), Mr. Rademacher (PO), and Mr. Todd Prusator (RE).

There was not an update from the Regional Office of Education.

Mr. Taylor requested a motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2010 Executive Board meetings. Mr. Craven motioned and it was seconded by Mr. Stott. All were in favor of the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Mr. Taylor requested a motion to approve the financial statement and payment of bills. Mr. Noble thanked the districts for sending their July payments to the cooperative. Mr. Stott motioned to approve the financial statement and the payment of bills and Ms. Bua seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mr. Mahoney, Ms. Bua, Mr. Craven, Mr. Bob Prusator, Mr. Stott, Mr. Zick, Mr. Taylor, and Ms. Nelson.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Mr. Noble stated all the positions have been filled for the FY11 school year. There were reductions in classes for FY11. One class being a RSSP class, one Life Skills class and one Behavior Disorder class which will make a positive impact in the billing. Life Skills and Behavior Disorder classes were reduced due to enrollment reductions. Mr. Noble requested the board to approve the resignation of Ms. Ashley Newhouse as a vision itinerant teacher due to moving out of the area. He also recommended employment of Ms. Dana Dooley who will replace Ms. Newhouse as a vision itinerant teacher, Ms. Wendy Bulthuis is being recommended for employment as a school psychologist, Ms. Linda Ray is recommended for re-employment to return to OCEC at the Chana Education Center as a Junior High BD teacher, and Ms. Jennifer Palmer is being recommended for re-employment to return to the OCEC at the Chana Education Center as a High School BD teacher. Mr. Craven motioned to approve the director's recommendations with a second by Mr. Stott.

Ayes: Mr. Bob Prusator, Mr. Craven, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Zick, Mr. Stott, Mr. Mahoney, Ms. Nelson, and Ms. Bua.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Mr. Noble requested the board to approve the School Treasurer's Bond with Travelers as the carrier, which has been the carrier of the bond for the past five years. The premium of the bond will be \$921.00, which is the same cost as in FY10. Mr. Stott motioned to approve the school treasurer's bond with a second by Mr. Zick. All were in favor of the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Mr. Noble recommended the approval of first reading on Board Policies. The final approval of the Board Policies would be made with the next Governing Board meeting. He stated the following policies have been newly added or amended by the Illinois Association of School Boards. 4:30: *Operational Services, Revenues and Investments*, 4:60: *Operational Services, Purchases and Contracts*, 4:90: *Operational Services, Activity Fund*, 4:170: *Operational Services, Safety*, 4:170-AP6: *Operational Services, Administrative Procedure – Plan for Responding to a Medical Emergency at a Physical Fitness Facility*, 5:20: *General Personnel, Workplace Harassment Prohibited*, 6:20: *Instruction, School Year Calendar and Day*, 6:50: *Instruction, School Wellness*, 6:120-AP-2, E1: *Instruction, Exhibit – Request to Access Classroom(s) or Personnel for Special Education Evaluation and/or Observation Purposes*, 8:20-E: *Community Relations, Exhibit – Application and Procedures for Use of School Facilities*, 8:30: *Community Relations, Visitors to and Conduct on School Property*, and 8:70: *Community Relations, Accommodating Individual with Disabilities*.

Mr. Mahoney motioned to approve the Board Policies as presented by the director and Ms. Bua seconded.

Ayes: Ms. Nelson, Mr. Zick, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Bob Prusator, Mr. Stott, Mr. Craven, Mr. Mahoney, and Ms. Bua.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Mr. Noble discussed the Medicaid Reimbursement for FY11. There has been an increase in revenue for FY11 compared to FY08 and FY09. For FY11 OCEC has budgeted one full salary of an employee with Medicaid dollars. Mr. Noble encouraged districts to monitor their Fee-for-Service employees such as Speech Pathologist and nursing for entering claims/services on Medicaid eligible students. The Fee-for-Service reimbursements follow the employer.

Mr. Noble discussed the Final FY10 budget report. The report shows the Cooperative has not received 17% of its revenue in the Education fund. Those funds will be received as districts approve their final bills and send their payment and there is an expense balance which is due to the outstanding July and August salary and benefits for FY10. In the Transportation fund, there was a revenue excess balance due to a June state transportation payment received after the billing was mailed to the districts. Districts will receive a reimbursement for the state

payment received. The transportation expenses were under by 4% due to fuel costs being lower than budgeted. The O&M budget ended 10% better than budgeted.

Mr. Noble stated that at the time of the Board meeting the Psychologist and Social Work assignments are still being arranged.

The Executive Board did not go into Executive Session.

During other business, Mr. Noble shared information along with providing a handout, on the Illinois ASPIRE, A Response to Intervention (RtI). If districts would like to register their staff for the conference, OCEC will reimburse the districts the registration fees. Mr Noble also provided the districts with information on *Stess link between intervention fidelity, student outcomes, and Pay for Performance, Value-added, and Growth Models*. He also shared information that the ED program tuition cost for FY11 decreased from \$19,000 (FY10) to \$15,000 (FY11) and the Life Skills program tuition cost for FY11 decreased from \$17,300 (FY10) to \$16,500 (FY11). Mr. Noble also shared that NIA had to amend their By-Law and are working with their attorney on this. The ARRA grants have not been released yet. If the districts did not spend all their allotted funds in FY10, the districts will have a FY11 application.

At 10:06 a.m. the Executive Board meeting adjourned. Mr. Zick motioned to adjourn the Executive Board Meeting and Ms. Bua seconded the motion.

Vote to adjourn the meeting was unanimous.

Lowell Taylor, President

Tammy Moser, Recording Secretary