

ASEC Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2009

Guetter called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors for the Area Special Education Cooperative to order at 9:36 a.m. at the Blue Moose Restaurant in East Grand Forks. Board Members present were Gene Paulson, Brian Clarke, Joel Young, Dean Krogstad, Norm Baumgarn, James Guetter, Dan Parent, David Vik, Mike Kolness, Bryan Thygeson and Chris Mills. Absent members were Ollen Church and David Pace. Gary Jones, Colleen Goltz, Julie Aumock, and Becky Conati were also present.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Motion by Krogstad, seconded by Baumgarn, to approve the October 20, 2009 minutes as presented. UC

Motion by Young, seconded by Baumgarn to approve the agenda with the addition of the 08-09 Audit listed as Finance Report Item d. UC

Motion by Baumgarn, seconded by Mills to approve the November bill run including check #'s 35273-35364, the November Financial Report ending 10/31/09, and Liquid Asset Transfer of \$100,000 on 10/15/09 to US Bank. UC The fund balance, GASB 45, budget and audit were all discussed. **Motion by Thygeson, seconded by Krogstad to approve the 08-09 Audit completed by Brady Martz. UC**

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Jones and members discussed stimulus dollars and also special education services in public and private schools and the delivery of services in North Dakota and Minnesota.

Goltz is updating the TSES manual for the MDE compliance review next spring. She commented that the MARSS process has dramatically improved and credited that to the MARSS District Contacts.

Aumock reported on the monitoring process with the training and file reviews that are taking place in preparation for the MDE review in May.

Guetter asked that more details be listed on the agendas.

Mills reported that it was likely that negotiations with certified staff would be ready for the December board meeting.

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 15 at East Grand Forks. Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Becky Conati, Office Assistant

Bryan Thygeson, Governing Board Secretary