

ASEC Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2009

Guetter called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors for the Area Special Education Cooperative to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Blue Moose Restaurant in East Grand Forks. Board Members present were Gene Paulson, Brian Clarke, Joel Young, Dean Krogstad, James Guetter, Ollen Church David Pace Bryan Thygeson and Chris Mills. Absent members were Norm Baumgarn, Dan Parent, David Vik and Mike Kolness. Gary Jones, Colleen Goltz, and Julie Aumock were also present.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Motion by Krogstad, seconded by Mills, to approve the November 17, 2009 minutes as presented. UC

Motion by Young, seconded by Thygeson to approve the agenda with the addition of the Bylaws and Cooperative Agreement listed as Discussion Items item e. UC

Motion by Mills, seconded by Church to approve the December bill run including check #'s 35364-35453, the December Financial Report ending 11/30/09, and Liquid Asset Transfer of \$150,000 on 11/12/09 to US Bank. UC.

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Jones presented members with a handout outlining district participation in the cooperative for 2009-2010. Jones updated members about the ongoing discussions related to service to out of state students between Minnesota and North Dakota in private schools. Proportional spending for private school students was reviewed. Jones has checked on GASB 45 requirements and is addressing that issue.

Goltz is updating the TSES manual for the MDE compliance review next spring. Goltz presented further requirements and checklists to be used in assuring individual district compliance for district procedures regarding special education. The board requested a sample child study procedure that would fit all cooperative schools.

Aumock reported on the completion of the last round of correction of Individual Student non-compliance. Aumock reviewed the upcoming plan for monitoring, submission of data to the state and training of special education staff in January.

Mills reported that negotiations with certified staff are complete and they have an agreement to present for board approval.

The current bylaws and cooperative agreement were briefly discussed. Clark and Krogstad were asked to review and report at the next board meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Pace, seconded by Thygeson to approve the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 Staff Pay Schedule and Master Contract as presented. UC

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, January 19th at East Grand Forks. Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Julie Aumock, Assistant Director

Bryan Thygeson, Governing Board Secretary