



**MINUTES OF THE SWCCCASE
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
APRIL 15, 2015**

**CALL TO
ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education was called to order at 12:35 pm on Wednesday, April 15, 2015, by Mr. Allen Jebens, who presided as Chairman. The meeting was held in the Learning Links Rooms of Southwest Cooperative in Oak Forest, Illinois.

Motion was made by Dr. Stachowiak seconded by Dr. McDermott that Mr. Allen Jebens was appointed as Chairman.

Motion was made by Dr. Scarsella seconded by Mr. O'Malley that Dr. Jeannie Stachowiak was appointed as Secretary.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members were found to be present: Dr. Jeannie Stachowiak (117), Mr. Anthony Scarsella (118), Dr. Paul McDermott (142), Mr. Allen Jebens (145), Mr. Jeff Eagan (210) and Mr. Thomas O'Malley (228). Absent: Dr. Courtney Orzel (113a), Dr. Jeff Stawick (146), Mrs. Barbara Mason (159), Dr. Sandra Thomas (160) and Dr. James Gay (230).

Also present: Dr. Gineen O'Neil, Executive Director, Dr. Christina Sepiol, Assistant Executive Director and Mr. Tage Shumway, Business Manager.

**RECOGNITION
OF THE
PUBLIC**

Union Vice President Brandon Wigboldy and Union President Karyn Kempke.
Mr. Alan Sraga, attorney for SWCCCASE.

**CONSENT
AGENDA
ITEMS**

Motion was made by Dr. Stachowiak seconded by Dr. McDermott that upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the following items be considered under a consent agenda, unless otherwise requested by the Board: Approval of Minutes for April 15, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting and closed session, Approval of Invoices and Payroll and Personnel items.

On roll call, the following voted aye: Stachowiak, Scarsella, McDermott, Jebens, Eagan, and O'Malley. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Motion was made by Mr. Eagan seconded by Dr. McDermott that the Board move to closed session at 12:38 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Cooperative or legal counsel for the Cooperative, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the Cooperative to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.

On roll call, the following voted aye: Stachowiak, Scarsella, McDermott, Jebens, Eagan, and O'Malley. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.

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REPORT OF
THE
BUSINESS
MANAGER
APPROVE THE
CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Shumway presented the monthly Statement of Position, showing an ending balance of \$8,323,552.01 as of March 31, 2015. He also commented on revenue and expense summaries for the month.

Motion was made by Dr. Stachowiak seconded by Dr. McDermott that the following items be approved under the consent agenda:

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Approved the Minutes of the April 15, 2015 regular & closed session meeting of the Board of Directors.

APPROVAL OF
INVOICES AND
PAYROLL

The April invoices in the amount of \$908,503.09, the March 2015 payroll in the amount of \$1,118,087.14 and the estimated March 2015 payroll in the amount of \$1,200,000.00.

INTERNET SERVICE

Approved the Business Manager to sign a five year contract with Comcast for upgraded high-speed fiber internet access.

FY16 CALENDAR

Approved the FY16 school calendar for Transition, Braun and Project Challenge as presented to the Board.

EMPLOYMENT OF
PROFESSIONAL
STAFF

Name	Position	Program	Start Date	Step/ Col.	Annual Salary	Assignment/ Notes
Chearee Mulcahy	Social Worker	CD Elem	3/12/15	1/6	\$45,166 prorated to \$14,722.62 for 59 days	New Position

Name	Position	Program	Start Date	Step/ Col.	Annual Salary	Assignment/ Notes
Lisa Evenhouse	Para	CD Elem	3/9/15	11/5	\$22,047 prorated to \$6,699.36 for 55 days	Replaces Emily Pieper
Tracy Weber	Para	Braun	3/23/15	3/5	\$18,007 prorated to \$4,476.88 for 45 days	Replaces Joseph Wail

RESIGNATION OF
EDUCATIONAL
SUPPORT STAFF

Name	Position	Program	Effective Date
Rachel Paluch	Paraprofessional	Braun	4/10/2015
Eboni Bell	Paraprofessional	CD Elem	4/10/2015
Elizabeth Konieczny	Paraprofessional	DESTINY	4/10/2015

EDUCATIONAL
SUPPORT STAFF
INTENT TO RETIRE
REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL STAFF-
BRAUN

Accepted the intent to retire from Carol Jegerski, Paraprofessional and Lynette Smith, Sign Language Interpreter, effective the end of the 2014-15 school year.

Approved the request for two full time classroom teachers at the Braun Educational Center.

RELEASE OF
EDUCATIONAL
SUPPORT STAFF
STAFF

Per the Resolution Dismissing Probationary Educational Support Staff from Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education, approved the release of educational support staff Shannon Parris-Roberts and Tony Holguin. The Resolution Honorably Dismissing Part-Time Educational Support Personnel from Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education approve the dismissals of Joanna Srama, Jasper Adkins, Diane Stifter, Thomas Geary, John Crowley, Donald Lallky, William Vileikis, John Farrell, and Kenneth Ford.

ACTION AS RESULT
OF CLOSED SESSION
LEARNING LINK
DOCK

Approved the action as result of closed session to dock Kyle Mastey, paraprofessional, one day of pay for not completing one hour of Learning Links credit. *Motion was made by Dr. McDermott seconded by Dr. Stachowiak. On roll call, the following voted aye: Stachowiak, Scarsella, McDermott, Jebens, Eagan, and O'Malley. Naves, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*

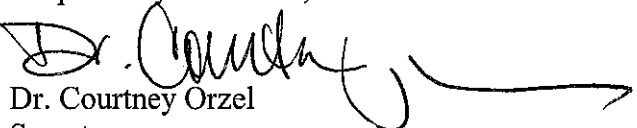
BOARD REPORTS

There were no Board reports.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, *motion was made by Dr. McDermott, seconded by Mr. Scarsella that the meeting adjourn at 1:18 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,


Dr. Courtney Orzel
Secretary