

**EAST CENTRAL CENTER FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**September 16, 2020**

**The regular board meeting of East Central Center for Exceptional Children was held at East Central and via Zoom (video conference due to Covid-19 pandemic) on September 16, 2020 at 10:00 am.**

**Members Present:** Jill Louters, Kris Kuehn, Jenna Helseth, Matt Lokemoen, D'Aulan Bussman (by phone), Avolt Baumbach, Robert Toso, **Absent:** Jordan Brown

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Helseth.

**Others Present:** Ashly Wolsky, Director; Susette Allmaras, Business Manager; Laura Risovi, ECEA Representative

**Additions to Agenda:** None

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Louters, seconded by Kuehn, to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2020 board meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**Financial Report and Monthly Bills:** Reviewed financial report and monthly bills. A motion was made by Kuehn, seconded by Toso, to approve the financials. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kuehn, seconded by Louters, to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried.

**Director's Report:**

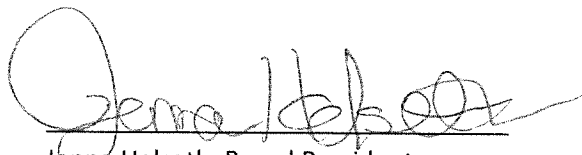
**Preschool Report:** Due to low numbers in Special Education preschool, Special Education preschool teacher, Chelsea Aljets will be serving as case manager to elementary students in New Rockford-Sheyenne School 2 ½ days per week.

**Speech:** Changes have occurred in the speech service schedule. Presence Learning will be used as a case manager in New Rockford-Sheyenne overseeing SLPP, L. Garcia-Wright. Presence Learning will be providing speech teletherapy services to students at the Fessenden-Bowdon school.

**Amended Budget:** A motion was made by Toso, seconded by Kuehn to approve the amended budget as presented. Motion carried.

**Paraprofessional Benefits:** Wolsky expressed concerns of the East Central paraprofessional turnover stating the main reason for the turnover is the lack of health insurance benefits for this position. After extensive discussion the topic was tabled until the next meeting.

The next regular board meeting will be October 28, 2020 at 10:00 am at the East Central office. With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.



Jenna Helseth, Board President



Susette R. Allmaras, Business Manager

10/28/2020

Date approved