

EAST CENTRAL CENTER FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

MINUTES OF MEETING

December 17, 2019

The regular board meeting of East Central Center for Exceptional Children was held in the East Central Conference room on December 17, 2019, at 10:00 am.

Members Present: Nancy Bollingberg, Jill Louters, Brian Duchscherer, Natalie Becker, Kurt Hayes, Sara Bilden (phone). **Absent:** Jenna Helseth, Oberon representative

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

Others Present: Ashly Wolsky, Director; Susette Allmaras, Business Manager, Allison Haley, ECEA Representative

Additions to Agenda: OT contract

Minutes: A motion was made by Louters, seconded by Becker to approve the amended minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

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

The monthly bills list was presented. A motion was made by Louters, seconded by Becker to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

Lonetree Special Education Unit: On December 10, Wolsky and Bollingberg met with representatives from Lonetree Special Education Unit for an information meeting to discuss the structure and function of East Central Special Ed. Lonetree also met with Souris Valley Special Services Unit that day. The following schools from the Lonetree Unit are deciding which unit they would like to request to join next year: Harvey, Goodrich, McClusky, Anamoose and Drake.

SLPP: East Central's three applicants for the LRSC SLPP program were accepted. A motion was made by Louters and seconded by Becker to have East Central pay for half of the cost of the SLPP program for the three applicants. Motion carried.

Child Count: Wolsky reported child count has been submitted.

Bank Signature Card: Wolsky reported that the Vice President of East Central's Board does not need to be on the Bank Forward signature card.

DPI Fiscal Self-Assessment: A NDDPI self-assessment audit was completed as a requirement of the IDEA-B and Preschool grants.

OT Contract: Effective February 1, 2020 East Central will be terminating the OT contract with Heart of American Medical Center and entering into a contract with St. Aloisius Medical Center as the OT provider, Shari Martin, has accepted a position at St. Aloisius Medical Center. Shari Martin has been providing OT services for East Central for several years.

Special Ed Preschool: Discussion was held regarding how special ed preschool needs were being handled at each school in the Unit.

Board President's Report: Nothing to report.

Board Compensation Policy: A motion was made by Becker and seconded by Duchscherer to approve the 2nd reading of the Board Compensation policy.

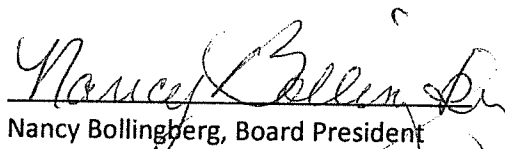
Financial Audit: A letter from Beth Dempsey regarding the 2018-19 audit was included in the board packet as Beth was not able to attend the board meeting. Louters recommended that in the future, an auditor attend a board meeting to review the audit report. A motion was made by Becker and seconded by Duchscherer to approve the audit report. Motion carried.

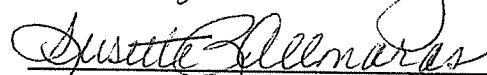
Congratulations to Jenna and Brent Helseth on the birth of their baby boy.

The next regular board meeting will be held January 20, 2020 at 10:00 am at the East Central office.

The next finance committee meeting will be held January 15, 2020 following the board meeting

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.


Nancy Bollingberg, Board President


Susette R. Allmaras, Business Manager

1/15/2020
Date approved