

## **East Central Center for Exceptional Children**

*A Special Education Cooperative Serving the School Districts of Carrington, Kensal, Fessenden-Bowdon, New Rockford-Sheyenne, Oberon, Pingree-Buchanan*

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**DATE: Tuesday, March 8, 2022**  
**TO: East Central Board Members**  
**FROM: Ashly Wolsky, Director**  
**RE: Board Meeting**  
**WHEN: Monday, March 14, 2022**  
**TIME: 10 a.m.**  
**WHERE: East Central Center for Exceptional Children**

### AGENDA

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

- Establish quorum
- Welcome
- Additions to Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Financial Reports and Bills---the following items are in your board packets and are submitted for Board approval

1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting on February 14<sup>th</sup> and Policy Committee Meeting on February 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - a. Information: a copy of Regular Board Meeting minutes and Policy Committee Meeting minutes from February 14<sup>th</sup> and February 28<sup>th</sup> are provided.
  - b. Recommendation: I recommend the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from February 14<sup>th</sup> be approved as presented.
  - c. Recommendation: I recommend the minutes from the Policy Committee Meeting from February 28<sup>th</sup> be approved as presented.
2. Review of Financial Reports
  - a. Information: A list of expenditures is provided.

Recommendation: I recommend the financial report be approved as presented.

### 3. Approval of Bills Payable

a. Information: A list of bills is provided

Recommendation: I recommend the bills be paid as presented.

## II. REPORTS TO BOARD

Director's report:

- Preschool Screenings completed: (screening data to follow after 3/8 screening date)
  - 2/10 Carrington:
  - 2/15 Pingree-Buchanan:
  - 2/23 Fessenden-Bowdon:
  - 2/25 NRS:
  - 3/2 Kensal:
  - 3/8 Oberon:
- Behavioral Health Grant submitted on 2/24 for the Unit
  - Fessenden-Bowdon (\$8,810)
  - Pingree-Buchanan (\$1,667.49)
  - Kensal (\$336.74)
  - Total of \$10,814.59

The proposal consisted of yoga sessions, sensory room/supplies, and monthly Social Emotional Learning (SEL) presentations for the Unit.

Goal is to align our behavioral health initiatives with the ARP funds such as additional yoga sessions, and in-person Social Emotional Learning (SEL) presentations Unit wide (2 days). Hunter Pinke was also requested by 3 districts and could be offered Unit wide:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hT3HB4RrVgg>.

- Teacher evaluations in progress, will be completed by 4/15
- Internal Transfer: Carrington Public Schools middle school/high school
- Director to host the Regional Director's meeting on 3/21 @ The Garden Gate, Carrington, ND and the State Director's meeting held on 3/9 via Zoom
- **Save the Date: Visual Phonics Training**  
June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> (25 spots available)—if you have general education staff interested, please email name (no cost, Unit is using ARP funds)

[http://seethesound.org/visual\\_phonics.html](http://seethesound.org/visual_phonics.html)

*See the Sound – Visual Phonics© is a multisensory instructional tool that represents all of the sounds of English with a hand-shape prompt and a corresponding written symbol. It is used to support/supplement explicit reading instruction for students who are deaf or hard of hearing.*

- Upcoming Business Manager Trainings:
  - New Business Manager Training 3/8
  - NDPHIT Wellness Program Training 3/10 (more information to follow)
  - ESSER Training 3/11

Board President report:

### III. OTHER

- Policy Committee, upcoming meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup>
- Teacher Contracts for the 2022-23 school year (will be provided at board meeting)
- OCR Complaint: Jeff Turnbull, from the Office of Civil Rights indicated that East Central does not need respond to the data request from the OCR complaint regarding Title IX. He indicated they will come up with a proposal to resolve the complaint. There has been follow up from OCR to date regarding the next steps for East Central regarding Title IX.

### IV. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

- 2020-21 Audit (attachment to view)
- Allison Haley, Early Retirement buy out responsibility (Policy C452)
- Paraprofessional and substitute wage increase
- Director's Evaluation
- Mediation with NRS update
  
- Policy BA-BR2 Board Member Internet and Social Media Use (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
- Policy ICD Data Protection & Security Breaches (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
- Policy B554 Education Evaluation Billings (2<sup>nd</sup> reading) ---additional information provided
- Remove EC 37 School District Reimbursement Request form for non-IEP students
  
- Policy BA-BR1 School Board Ethics Regulation (1<sup>st</sup> reading)
- Policy BA School Board Ethics (1<sup>st</sup> reading)
- Policy ACF Whistle Blower Protection Policy (1<sup>st</sup> reading)

- Policy HEBC Fraud Prevention and Investigation (1<sup>st</sup> reading)
- Policy HEBC Audits (1<sup>st</sup> reading)

V. ADJOURNMENT

Next Board Meeting date: April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 10 a.m. East Central