

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: Wednesday, September 13th, 2023
TO: East Central Board Members
FROM: Ashly Wolsky, Director
RE: Board Meeting
WHEN: Wednesday, September 20th, 2023
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 August 10th, 2023.

- a. Information: a copy of Regular Board Meeting minutes from August 10th, are provided.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from August 10th to be approved as presented.

2. Review of Financial Reports

- a. Information: a copy of the financial report from August are provided.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the financial report for August to be approved as presented.

3. Approval of Bills Payable

Information:

a. A list of bills is provided for July & August are provided.

b. Recommendation: I recommend the bills be paid as presented.

II. REPORTS TO BOARD

Director's report:

- Staff meeting held on 8/31 for case managers: back to school/beginning of the year expectations; case managers will share pertinent information with paraprofessionals. Copy of PowerPoint available upon request.

Staffing:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z8iY9J7aRScPnx3ycav5mHruiGwhc9yyh2IFAh9vcZM/edit?usp=sharing>

Positions to fill:

-NRS: Special ed teacher (HS)
-SLP part-time NRS & Oberon

- Successfully filled paraprofessional positions with the increase in wage and addition of health benefits, thank you!
- **Safety Care Training** completed for all staff in August, make up day in January (MLK), credit option available. Thank you to our trainers, Rosie & Megan for the great training sessions.
- **UFLI Reading Training**
 - January 15th MLK, PD Day
 - Certified staff only
 - Location: East Central
 - Credit option available
- **Additional paraprofessional training---**

SEEC: Paraeducator Online Training is available as a school-wide program with this NO COST opportunity. Paraeducators and tutors will have access to 150+ self-paced modules covering general education and special education environments. Learning modules typically ranges from 45-60 minutes in length, can be accessed using any platform day or night, and can be personalized to fit each individual within your system. Administrators, simply complete this [form](#) to enroll your school district today (\$35/person value).

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- Director to attend Fall Leadership in Bismarck, September 18 + 19
 - President of the Study Council President for 2023-24
- Director attending weekly NDCEL chats when possible
- Director attending monthly State Director's call, starting in October due to Fall Leadership
- Director to attend monthly Regional Director's meeting
- Medicaid Claims
 - 2021-22: \$61,085.97
 - 2022-23: \$140,164.07
 - Concerns with claims from ACC impacting reimbursements, hoping the concerns are remedied
- CIE Grant: submitted on 9/12 for \$10,000
- CIE: Competitive Integrated Employment
 - Transition Assessments/Curriculum
 - Transition Portfolios
 - Workforce Readiness supplies, training, coaching, transportation, etc.
 - Job Service Trips
 - BOB T-shirts
- Behavioral Health Grant 2023-24:
 - Carrington: \$14,625.17 (district/Unit)
 - FB: \$11,115.22 (Unit)
 - Kensal: \$86.68 (Unit)
 - NRS: \$18,441.56 (district)
 - Oberon: \$227.54
 - PB: \$283.87 (Unit)
- Additional grant funding coming to ND for behavioral health

- Zones of Regulation:
 - Schoolwide implementation
 - Zones of Regulation app
 - Data collection tool
 - Fidelity check
 - Home Resources
 - Zones of Regulation adapting the Zones for ages 4-6 and Teens
 - Updated Visuals
 - Lanyards Zones Check-ins
 - Additional activities
 - Blog/additional resources to supplement lesson
 - Zones Board game to purchase
 - <https://zonesofregulation.com/resources/>
- Exploring additional Social Emotional curriculum

Board President report:

III. OTHER

Audit Week of October 9th, 2023

Adaptive equipment for recess (sled)---thank you to NRS Rocket Boosters

IV. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

- LEA Financial Report to the State

V. ADJOURNMENT

Next Board Meeting date: Tuesday, October 17th, 2023