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, May 28th, 2024 TO: East Central Board Members FROM: Ashly Wolsky, Director

RE: Board Meeting

WHEN: Mondsay, June 17th, 2024

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
- 1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting minutes from May 14th, 2024 and Policy Committee Meeting minutes from May 14th, 2024.
 - a. Information: a copy of Regular Board Meeting minutes from May 14th are provided.
 - b. Recommendation: I recommend the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from May 14th to be approved as presented.

2. Review of Financial Reports

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

3. Approval of Bills Payable

- a. Information: a copy of the bills from May are provided.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the bills from May be paid as presented.

II. REPORTS TO BOARD

Director's report:

Staffing Update for the 2024-25 School year UPDATED

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z8iY9J7aRScPnx3ycav5mHruiGwhc9yyh2IFAh9vcZM/edit?usp=sharinqb

NEED TO FILL: currently advertising open positions

-Paraprofessional at Carrington (immediate opening HS)
-Paraprofessional at Carrington (SLD elementary resource room 2024-25)
Interviews taking place on Friday, May 31st

-FILLED Special Education teacher Carrington Jr. High 2024-25 school year

-Special Education teacher NRS Jr. High 2024-25 school year (currently being filled with a 2nd year Resident Teacher, with case management)

- PIER Tool—submitted on 4/18/24 and approved
- · NDTSS Mentor programming—1st and 2nd year teachers signed up for the 2024-25 school year: Rosie Mozelle (Carrington) and Kristen Ekren (Kensal) mentored by Megan Thompson (NRS), no cost to the Unit/districts
- Indicator 7 and 12 submitted to ND DPI (Early Childhood indicators)

Indicator 7: Preschool Outcomes-% of preschool children ages 3-5 with IEPs improved

Indicator 12: % of children found Part B eligible with IEP implemented by 3rd birthday.

- · Director to attend Summer Institute-Bismarck, ND: June 11th and 12th
- · Behavioral Health Grant closing for the 2023-24 school year (Autism STAR Program)
- Autism Star Training August 7th and 8th: Virtual 2 day training
 - -Behavioral Health Funds used to purchase STAR training, curriculum, and online tool
 - -Training: 15 spots available---will train case managers, SLPA, SLPP, and RT
 - -Training costs shared with Upper Valley Special Ed Unit
- Safety Care 'train the trainers'
 - -June 3rd: Jamestown, ND
 - -Trainers: Rosie and Megan
 - -Training cost-\$1,750 per trainer
 - -Safety Care dates for recertification and certification across the Unit to be determined
- · Additional GoalBook training opportunity: August 12th or 13th (1 hour virtual training)
- · ABEL in School

District enrollment less than 2,000

1 year: \$1,119

3 year subscription: year 1-\$1,199, year 2-\$1,080, year 3-\$1,020

Grant funding opportunities through the Burgum Foundation Training to follow (half or full day, location yet to be determined)

IDEA B and Preschool grant has been submitted for the 2024-25 school year:

IDEA B:

2023-24: \$400,773.66 2024-25: \$407,361.14 Increased \$6,587.48

Preschool:

2023-24: 14,756.51 2024-25: \$15,014.74 Increase of \$268.23

Total Increase: \$6,855.71

Board President report:

III. OTHER

IV. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

- BDBB: Retaining an Attorney (2nd reading)
- C-250: Staff Release RIF (2nd reading)
- McKenzie Davis, approval of teaching contract (attachment)
- Audit
- Vision benefits
- Business Manager work agreement
- 2024-25 Budget

V. ADJOURNMENT

Next Board Meeting date: to be discussed/determined