

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

*A Special Education Cooperative Serving the School Districts of Carrington, Kensal,  
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**DATE:** Wednesday, September 11th, 2024  
**TO:** East Central Board Members  
**FROM:** Ashly Wolsky, Director  
**RE:** Board Meeting  
**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 18th, 2024  
**TIME:** 10 a.m.  
**WHERE:** East Central Center for Exceptional Children

### **AGENDA**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

- **Establish quorum**
- **Welcome—new board members, introductions**
- **Additions to Agenda**
- **Approval of Minutes**
- **Financial Reports and Bills**

#### **2. Approval of Minutes:** Regular Board Meeting minutes from August 12, 2024.

- a. Information: a copy of Regular Board Meeting minutes from August 12th are provided.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from August 12th to be approved as presented.

#### **3. Review of Financial Reports**

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

#### **4. Approval of Bills Payable**

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

## **II. REPORTS TO BOARD**

### **Director's report:**

- Teacher have completed 'Back to School Checklist'
  - Verification of Policies
  - Safety Care
  - Welcome Back Letter
  - Schedule and Caseload
  - IEP Snap Shots
  - Communication Log
  - Positive Connection Home
- Director attended Fall Leadership Tuesday, September 10th
  - Teacher recruitment and retention
    - 93 Visas (special ed)
    - Short cut paths
    - 223 new staff (does not include unfilled position)
  - Educator Pathway to end in 2027 (Minot, Mayville, VCSU—soon to be U Mary)
  - Task Force to discuss 'common training' and licensure + course codes
    - Generalists and Specialists
    - 101 course codes, 70 special ed
    - ESPB/MISO3
    - payscale discussion
    - timeline 'moving fast'
  - OT/PT Shortage, using telehealth

-Indicator 13, Secondary Transition-percentage of youth ages 16+ with measurable, annually updated goals, and appropriate transition assessment, services and courses: 3 districts/units met compliance, TieNet update 7 districts/units met compliance, East Central being one of them

*Indicator met*

-Indicator 9: Disproportionate Representation-% of districts with disproportionate representation of racial/ethnic groups due to inappropriate identification

*Indicator met*

-Indicator 10: Disproportionate Representation-% of district with disproportionate representation of racial/ethnic groups in specific disability categories due to inappropriate identification

*Indicator met*

-ED and hearing impairment name change

-NDSA and AA (less than 1%)

-ACC option out goes back to the district

-Medical Waiver

-Applied Topics

-Alternative Choice Ready—have the admin and counselor touch base with special ed as the data/information is already in the IEP

-Student Contracts (more information)

-GoalBook Statewide

-Laura Booth—special ed law questions

-Indicator 8 Parent Survey-Unit level

-TieNet updates shared with staff

-Evaluations/reevaluations

### **Board President report:**

### **III. OTHER**

- Health Insurance open enrollment ended Monday, September 9th-cost to the Unit is just over \$26,000 a month
- MISO1, MISO2, and MISO3 completed
- LEA, Enrollment, and Compensation reports completed
- Policy Committee, need to schedule

#### **IV. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION**

- LEA Financial Report ND DPI

#### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

Next Board Meeting date: Wednesday, October 16th, 2024