

NORTHWEST INDIANA SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
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CROWN POINT, IN. 46307
December 12, 2018

Executive Session: The Board of Managers met in executive session at 5:30 p.m. and discussed items related to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1.

1. Mr. Larry R. Biggs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Mrs. Luanne Jurczak took Roll Call. The following members were recorded as present: Mr. Thomas Bainbridge for Merrillville, Mr. Larry R. Biggs for Lake Station, Mr. Dave Bigler for Hobart, Mrs. Michelle Dumbsky for Tri-Creek, Mr. Jonathan Evans for Lake Ridge, Mrs. Luanne Jurczak for Highland, Mrs. Michelle Martin for River Forest and Mr. Gary Sutton for Griffith. No representation in attendance for Hanover.
3. Mr. Biggs asked for comments or questions on agenda items from the audience. There were none.
4. Mr. Biggs asked for any additions or deletions to the November 14, 2018 minutes. Mr. Bainbridge moved for Board approval of minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Evans and passed with 6 ayes and 2 abstentions from Mr. Biggs and Mr. Sutton.
5. Mrs. Krumwied recommended Board approval of the monthly financial reports dated November 30, 2018 as presented. Mrs. Jurczak moved for Board approval of the monthly financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bigler and passed unanimously.
6. Mrs. Krumwied recommended Board approval of IDEA and Preschool Grants for FY 2019. Mr. Evans moved for Board approval of IDEA and Preschool Grants for FY 2019 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bainbridge and passed unanimously.
7. Mrs. Krumwied presented a resolution which was developed for the Board to allow transfer of funds to assure all funds are sufficient to end the year. A report of these transfers will be provided at the January 9, 2019 Board of Managers Meeting. Mrs. Krumwied requested Board approval of Resolution #18-07 End of the Year Transfers as presented. Mr. Bainbridge moved for Board approval of Resolution #18-07. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Dumbsky and passed unanimously.
8. Mrs. Krumwied presented the Board with the Educational Service Centers Risk Funding Trust (ESCRFT) Renewal 2019 calendar year proposal for NISEC. Mrs. Krumwied recommended Board approval for the ESCRFT proposal as presented. Mr. Evans moved for Board approval of the ESCRFT Renewal 2019 calendar year proposal. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bigler and passed unanimously.
9. Mrs. Winkoff recommended Board approval of the Non-Public and Homeschool Services Proposal for SY 2018-2019 as presented. She shared that the required annual consultation meeting was held and attended by seventeen administrators/designees of our non-public schools. Mrs. Martin moved for Board approval of the Non-Public and Homeschool Services Proposal for SY 2018-2019. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bainbridge and passed unanimously.

10. Mrs. Winkoff requested the Board of Managers approve the staff needs as presented. Mr. Evans moved for approval of the staff needs as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bainbridge and was passed unanimously.
11. Mrs. Winkoff recommended Board approval of the Alternative and Residential Contract for Tri-Creek School Corporation. Mrs. Dumbsky moved for Board approval of the Alternative and Residential Contract as presented. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Martin and passed unanimously.
12. Mrs. Winkoff recommended Board approval of the fundraiser for Eagle Park Community School. The fundraiser is the Aspire Catalog and will be open to order from February 25, 2019 – March 11, 2019. Mrs. Dumbsky moved for Board approval of the fundraiser as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Evans and passed unanimously.
14. **Director's Report:**
 - ✓ Mrs. Winkoff shared information regarding the upcoming holiday party for Eagle Park Community School. Santa will be present at the holiday party on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 and a large lunch will be provided to students. Eagle Park Community School received gift cards from Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral for the students. The school presented Eva Kostides with a large piece of glass artwork to show their appreciation.
 - ✓ Mrs. Winkoff also extended a Thank You to Mr. Bigler for serving on the NISEC Board through Hobart for many years.
15. **Personnel:**

Mrs. Winkoff recommended approval to the following personnel actions:

A. Retirement
None at this time.

B. Resignations

Certified
Karlie Figiel, Teacher of Autism at Eagle Park Community School, effective December 3, 2018.
Kerrilynn Drake, Mild Interventions Teacher at Lowell Middle School, effective December 21, 2018.

Classified
Brittany Bonner, Paraprofessional at Edison Junior High School, effective December 21, 2018.
Jacqueline Dixon, Paraprofessional at Eagle Park Community School, effective December 4, 2018.
Serenity Hutchison, Paraprofessional at Hamilton Elementary, effective November 27, 2018.
Amanda Lebeda, Paraprofessional at Beiriger Elementary, effective November 30, 2018.
Elizabeth Mendoza, Paraprofessional at River Forest HS, effective December 6, 2018.
Jeanne Miller, Paraprofessional at Eagle Park Community School, effective December 13, 2018.
Adedeji Morgan, Paraprofessional at Wood Elementary, effective December 21, 2018.

Registered
Chasity Pacheco, Behavioral Consultant, effective January 7, 2019.
Tara Verduzco, Behavioral Consultant, effective January 4, 2019.

C. Terminations
Mathew Johnson, Paraprofessional at Edison Senior High School, effective December 12, 2018.

D. Appointments

Certified

Jacqueline Dixon, Teacher of Autism at Eagle Park Community School, effective December 4, 2018.

Avery Lochow, Teacher of Mild Interventions at Lowell Middle School, effective December 10, 2018.

Classified

Danielle Johnson, Paraprofessional at Hobart High School, effective December 3, 2018.

Andrea Manchak, Paraprofessional at Hamilton Elementary, effective December 10, 2018.

Sonia Rojas, Paraprofessional at Wood Elementary, effective December 16, 2018.

Megan Tekin, Paraprofessional at Evans Elementary, effective December 3, 2018.

RaeGene Waldon, Paraprofessional at Beiriger Elementary, effective October 29, 2018.

Registered

Esther Lopez, Virtual E-Helper at Lowell Middle School, effective December 3, 2018.

E. Independent Contracts

None at this time.

F. Leave of Absence

Christine Clarke, on medical leave pursuant to the memo from Kathy Cain, dated December 11, 2018.

Anthony Duron-Rainwater, on medical leave pursuant to the memo from Kathy Cain, dated December 11, 2018.

Christine Hallahan, on medical leave pursuant to the memo from Kathy Cain, dated December 11, 2018.

Sarah Pfeifer, on medical leave pursuant to the memo from Kathy Cain, dated December 12, 2018.

G. Conference Leave

Kristine Besch, IDOE Office of School Improvement Officers Onsite CAN/SIP Support Half-Day AM, Hobart, Indiana, December 13, 2018.

Voskra Darnell, RDS Year End Class, Crown Point, Indiana, December 6, 2018.

Jennifer Dildine, RDS Year End Class, Crown Point, Indiana, December 6, 2018.

Kristy Elsey, IDOE Office of School Improvement Officers Onsite CAN/SIP Support Half-Day AM, Hobart, Indiana, December 13, 2018.

Marsha Horn, IDOE Office of School Improvement Officers Onsite CAN/SIP Support Half-Day AM, Hobart, Indiana, December 13, 2018.

Becky Krumwied, RDS Year End Class, Crown Point, Indiana, December 6, 2018.

Tara Verduzco, Autism: De-escalate meltdowns and diffuse explosive behaviors in children and adolescents, Hammond, Indiana, November 7, 2018.

Mr. Evans moved for Board approval of the Personnel Report as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bainbridge and passed unanimously.

16. Mr. Biggs asked for comments or questions from the Board.

All shared what a pleasure it has been working with Mr. Bigler and wished everyone a happy holiday.

Mr. Bigler shared that he has learned a lot and has enjoyed the 16 years he was a Board Member. He will always appreciate what we do here at NISEC.

17. Mr. Biggs asked for comments or questions from the Audience.
Miss Trish Foley shared that the negotiation committee appreciated the thank you cards that Jane sent on behalf of the Board of Managers. She also wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

18. Mr. Bigler moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Evans and passed unanimously.