### JESSE VISION STATEMENT

Special Education services will be managed and provided by the participating School Corporations and their respective Schools. JESSE will work collaboratively with School Staff to ensure full compliance with the Law and to make certain effective, individually designed instruction is provided to maximize achievement for all of our students with disabilities.

# Joint Educational Services in Special Education

# JESSE Board of Managers Meeting Plymouth Administration Building Virtual from Plymouth Administration Building Monday, May 10, 2021 10:00 AM EST JESSE first followed by NCAVC meeting

# **MINUTES**

## 1.0 Organization of Meeting

1.1 Call to Order – Mr. Andy Hartley, President called the virtual ZOOM meeting to order at 10:02AM. Linda Holland and Andy Hartley were present at the Plymouth Administration Building. Those in attendance observed the COVID-19 Guidance.

### Members present for the meeting were:

Mr. Ned Speicher, Argos

Mrs. Karen Shuman, Culver

Mr. Chris Winchell, John Glenn was absent

Dr. William Reichhart, Knox

Dr. Annette Zupin, North Judson - San Pierre

Mr. Bill Bennett, Oregon-Davis

Mr. Andy Hartley, Plymouth

Mr. Jeremy Riffle, Triton

Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, Union North

Mrs. Linda Holland, J.E.S.S.E. Director

Mrs. Joyce Hanselman, J.E.S.S.E. Administrative Assistant

**1.2 Recognition of Visitors -** Visitors Albert Hanselman and Sandy Thomas, NCAVC, were present in the Plymouth Administration Board Room. Gina Sudyka, Goal Book rep, joined the meeting virtually from 10:20AM to 10:42AM.

### 1.3 Agenda of the May 10, 2021 Regular Session Meeting

- **2.0** Consent Items Any member of the Board of Managers may request that any item be removed from the Consent Calendar and voted upon separately.
  - 2.1 Approve Minutes of the April 12, 2021 Regular Session Meeting.
  - 2.3 New Hire: Jessica Hershberger, Registered Occupational Therapist Kara Head, Language Facilitator/Interpreter

Letters of Recommendation were shared by Linda. Both will be full time and have strong skills that will benefit the students and staff they work with. They will be replacing staff from contracted companies.

- 2.4 Resignations/Retirement: None at this time
- 2.5 <u>Approval of Claims</u>: Vendor and Payroll Claims for April 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021 in the amount of \$175,366.58.

REVISED financials for March 1, 2021 to March 30, 2021 are included in this packet. This is due to entries run after the printing of the financial reports.

Andy asked for a notion to approve the **Consent**, **Personnel** and **Claim Items**. Karen Shuman made the motion and Ned Speicher seconded. The motion carried.

### 3.0 Information Agenda

- 3.1 Friday Q/A Notes
  - Goal Book

Linda Holland asked Gina Sudyka to give a short presentation on Goal Book and the benefits to support the staff in a positive way by giving them a tool that will help them write legally defensible goals while at the same time providing ways to gather data to support the goals in the long run and lessen their workload. Linda will provide the link to this presentation to share with the individual corporations. She will contact each corporation about the interest, financing and training of this beneficial program.

ASL open for ALL Corporations

Moving forward JESSE does not have the staff, nor applicants to cover all requirements under Article 7. Adding ASL is not feasible for the cooperative at this time. This will require Culver to investigate other means in providing this for their students not utilizing JESSE staff. Discussion ensued on various issues with this program. Some schools currently have ASL as a foreign language credit through an online course.

• Student Learning and Recovery Grant

This is a grant made available to school corporations. Linda has joined in a discussion by PCG as a community partner with other area directors. PCG will write this 4 year grant. She asked which schools may be already partnering with an agency as a corporation can not be tied to more than one application.

Other

There are possible changes to IIEP over the summer. I would like to provide JESSE Virtual PD options L on Aug. 2 and 10 from 1-3 EST. Teachers would pick the day they attend. If there is no interest, training would

be cancelled if nothing changes from the IDOE or if it can be covered in a newsletter or recorded zoom meeting. Just want staff to have this "noted" in the event the IDOE does some last minute changes.

Attached to this agenda is the finalized JESSE Joint Service and Supply Agreement with all school corporations signatures. Thank you for your effort in getting the forms returned signed. In addition, as we discovered last week, ALL LOCAL MOU's will need to be revised. As the date of notification has been moved in this agreement up 2 months for notifying JESSE to May 1, local MOU's will need to be moved forward also. Andy commented on the current district MOU language and the need to move the notification date up 2 months to March 1. Clarifications were made about certain items in the district MOU agreements.

# 3.2 2021-2022 Budget Process

- Link to Draft Here
  - o Currently shows a 2.59% increase
- Proposing a Credit
  - Last year, the JESSE board gave a credit of \$400,000
  - This year, currently recommending the same
- Current Expenses

In the budget you will find the actual expenses as of 4-30-21. There are additions to some categories as well as Linda's comments.

• Finalized by June 30. 2021

Per our agreement, the budget must be finalized on or before June 30.

Bill Reichhart asked for clarification on a budget item that will be researched and answered later.

### 4.0 Action Items

None at this time

### 5.0 Other Business

**5.1** The next JESSE Board Meeting date is June 7, 2021. It will be held virtually at Plymouth Administration Office, beginning at 10:00 AM EST with JESSE first.

The August meeting is traditionally held in late July with no meeting in August. However, this year, we will hold a meeting on July 12. In the event that I have a staffing issue that must be resolved prior to the September meeting, I have pencilled in August. 2. Questions were raised about the transition in leadership during the interim of Plymouth superintendent change. Decisions will be addressed at the June 7 meeting.

5.2 Individual Superintendent Issues, Reports, Compliments and Concerns
Jeremy Riffle expressed thanks to Andy Hartley for stepping in as President during this past year.
Several others voiced their thanks also. Andy also thanked the superintendents for their ability to survive and thrive during this difficult year.

### 6.0 Adjournment

Andy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mitch Mawhorter made the motion and Jeremy Riffle seconded. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:21AM.

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