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 Lincoln Education Center In Person Monday, December 13, 2021 10:00 AM EST NCAVC first followed by JESSE meeting

MINUTES

1.0 Organization of Meeting

1.1 Call to Order – Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, President called the in person meeting to order at 11:03AM. 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

Dr. William Reichhart, Knox

Dr. Annette Zupin, North Judson - San Pierre

Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, Plymouth

Mr. Jeremy Riffle, Triton

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

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

Absent from the meeting were: Mr. Bill Bennett, Oregon-Davis, Dr. Diane Woodworth, Interim Superintendent, Union North

1.2 Recognition of Visitors -Mitch Mawhorter recognized the visitors to the meeting: Erin Proskey, Culver and Albert Hanselman, NCAVC.

Any visitor may request to speak, via email to lholland@jesse.k12.in.us to any agenda item on the posted agenda. The Board President will recognize visitors with special comments/concerns at the appropriate time. No one requested to speak.

- 1.3 Agenda of the December 13, 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 November 22, 2021 Regular Session Meeting.
- 2.3 New Hire: Linda Holland requested to add the hire of Alyssa Bailey to the agenda.

 Linda Holland recommended that Alyssa Bailey be hired as a Full Time DHH Language Facilitator at Culver. She comes highly recommended by Culver Elementary Administrators. There have been 2 new students since the start of school that facilitate this need, as well as several staff members that have been absent and we can not locate subs with the needed qualifications. Linda recommended the full time employment of Alyssa Bailey beginning at \$15 per the JESSE Conditions of Employment pending Background check.
 - 2.4 Resignations: None at this time
- **2.5** <u>Approval of Claims</u>: Vendor and Payroll Claims for November 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021 in the amount of \$143,942.56.

Mitch Mawhorter called for a motion to approve 2.0 Consent items including the hire of Alyssa Bailey and Claims. Bill Reichhart made the motion and Ned Speicher seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3.0 Information Agenda

- **3.1** Friday Q/A Notes
- a: HeadStart COVID Requirement

Linda Holland shared that she has reached out to Monica Conrad, legal counsel, on a statement regarding this issue. Monica Conrad is reviewing the documents and procedures and will contact Linda with her recommendations.

3.2 Joint Service and Supply Agreement

Culver Community School Corporation is requesting a change and clarification to the Joint Service and Supply Agreement to allow them to obtain an equivalent amount of the December 1 funds from the sending school corporation annually for any student getting direct services in Culver Community Schools. Currently this is 13 students. 14 DHH students remain in their home school corporation and receive consultation services.

Karen Shuman's recommendation is for the additional fee to be used to support Culver's budget in providing Speech, Nursing, Local Resource Staff, General Education Participation and Administration time based on the individual IEP's. Each corporation receives \$9,614.00 per DHH student. With Current enrollment, this would additionally impact Plymouth \$3,150, Union North \$19,228, and Knox \$38,456. Other options discussed were a flat fee for early childhood and JESSE hiring the speech pathologist that serves the

DHH program. Karen Shuman was available to explain more in depth and a discussion was held among the board members.

Currently the DHH program is funded by the JESSE budget that is approved annually in June and supports 2 teachers, Interpreters, Travel, DHH speciality equipment, with ALL school corporations paying their percentage based on the ADM/APC no matter if they use the program or not. In the past, this program had \$6,000 allotted to pay Culver for hosting, but Culver stated they wished to not receive it for several years so it was removed as a line item. Linda Holland explained this more in depth regarding the impact of the current budget and the impact on ALL schools equally according to the Fund Agreement.

Karen Shuman reiterated the above recommendations for the DHH program. Many different views and questions were presented during the discussion of this topic. At this time, this discussion will be carried forward to another meeting.

4.0 Action Items: None at this time

5.0 Other Business

- **5.1** The next JESSE Board Meeting date is January 10, 2022 at Lincoln Education Center starting at 10:00 AM EST with JESSE going first.
 - 5.2 Individual Superintendent Issues, Reports, Compliments and Concerns

6.0 Adjournment

Mitch Mawhorter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeremy Riffle seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:53AM.

Mr. Ned Speicher, Argos

Mrs. Karen Shuman Culver, Vice President

Mrs. William Reichhart, Knox

Mr. Bill Bennett, Oregon Davis

Mr. Jeremy Riffle, Priton

Mr. Chris Winchell, John Glenn, Secretary

Dr. Annette Zupin, NJSP

Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, Plymouth, President

Dr. Diane Woodworth, Interim Superintendent, Union-North