

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, March 8, 2021 10:00 AM EST Prior to 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 10:01AM. 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 - Albert Hanselman and Sandy Thomas, NCAVC, were present virtually.

1.3 Agenda of the March 8, 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 February 8, 2021 Regular Session Meeting.

2.3 New Hire: None at this time

2.4 Resignations/Retirement: Karen Klingerman, DHH Consultant

Karen will be retiring at the end of the school year.

This will be a hard position to fill due to lack of licensure in this area around the state and the fact that this was a 3.5 days a week position. I'm looking at the current needs and data support the request that this position be made full time and provide more services to kids. I have talked with Andy and he supports this. We do have one good lead at this time which I am very pleased with and will schedule a second interview. The amount of DHH students within our schools and choice enrollment has led to the program growing over the last several years.

2.5 Approval of Claims: Vendor and Payroll Claims for February 1, 2021 to February 28, 2021 in the amount of \$142,254.15

Mitch Mawhorter made a motion to approve all of the 2.0 Consent Items. Bill Reichhart seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3.0 Information Agenda

3.1 Friday Q/A Notes

The move of the JESSE offices to Lincoln Education Center is scheduled for March 22. Plymouth maintenance and custodial staff will be handling the move from Webster, Menominee and PHS. There was concern about the current furniture surviving another move, so new furniture has been ordered. It will be delivered and installed on March 15, 16. The remaining furniture is available to all the schools in the corporation on a first come first serve basis. Any remaining items will be donated to the Triton FFA auction in April if the board approves this. Items remaining are office desk units with credenzas, office chairs, file cabinets. Please contact Linda if you have interest in these items. These items will need to be picked up by April 30.

- **Shortage of Certified and Trained Staff**

Linda Holland is concerned about the ability for schools to provide subs that meet kids IEP needs and about the staff knowledge of actual special education requirements and IEP writing/Documentation. She has looked at a goal writing program that is not free. Linda will be sharing this information with the administration and the JESSE Administrative Advisory Council to get feedback. This surfaced again as a concern after viewing IEP's during a recent complaint processes and transition IEP's. Do teachers have documentation on progress monitoring? Moving forward, with special education teachers out due to COVID and other reasons and subs

cannot be found, minutes are not able to be met and recovery services may need to be offered if parents question this process. All of the above have brought concern if subs can follow IEP's. Linda has sent out info on this program in Friday notes. More to come in the future.

- **ESSER II Cares Funds for Recovery Services**
 - The Department of Education has provided guidance regarding allocation of plans to include Recovery Services.
 - Information has been provided to Staff and Administration to guide them through this process in March/April through Newsletter and small group meetings with individual school corporations
 - When the Department of Education releases additional information, this will be shared with the schools.
 - The key to remember is, if you are offering ANY recovery services to ALL kids, services must be offered to students with special needs.

3.2 2021-2022 Budget Process

- Linda is working with Kandi Tinkey and Joyce Hanselman to review our current budget and plan for the following year. This will be presented as a draft in April, followed by Discussion in May and Final Vote in June per our agreement

4.0 Action Items

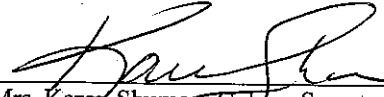
4.1 None at this time

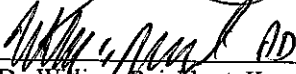
5.0 Other Business

5.1 The next JESSE Board Meeting date is April 12, 2021. The meeting will be virtual and it will be held at Plymouth Administration Office, both starting at 10:00 AM EST.

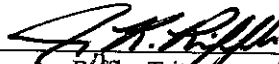
6.0 Adjournment

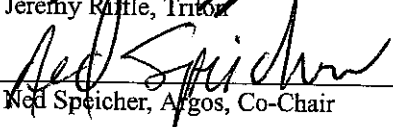
Mitch Mawhorter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Karen Shuman. The motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned at 10:30AM.

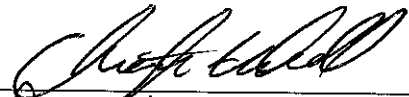

Mrs. Karen Shuman, Culver, Secretary

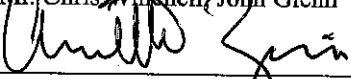

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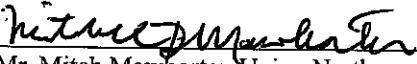

Mr. Ned Speicher, Argos, Co-Chair


Mr. Chris Winshell, John Glenn


Dr. Annette Zurin, NISP

Andy Hartley was in attendance for this meeting. Due to COVID-19, meeting was virtual. Andy left his position on 6/30/21 and was unable to sign at the first in person meeting on 9/13/21.

Mr. Andy Hartley, Plymouth, President


Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, Union North

