

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

Monday, October 12, 2020

10:00 AM EST

MINUTES

1.0 Organization of Meeting

1.1 Call to Order – Mr. Andy Hartley, President called the meeting to order at 10:01AM at the Plymouth Administration Building.

Members present for the meeting were:

Mr. Ned Speicher, Argos
Mrs. Karen Shuman, Culver
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

Mr. Chris Winchell, John Glenn attended via ZOOM

1.2 Recognition of Visitors - Albert Hanselman and Sandy Thomas, NCAVC, were in attendance.

Any visitor may request to speak to any agenda item on the posted agenda. The Board President will recognize visitors with special comments/concerns at the appropriate time. All citizens are encouraged to visit JESSE Board Meetings and observe proceedings.

1.3 Agenda of the October 12, 2020 Regular Session Meeting

President, Andy Hartley called for a motion to approve the agenda of the October 12, 2020 board meeting. Jeremy Riffle made the motion and Karen Shuman seconded. The motion passed with all ayes.

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 September 14, 2020 Regular Session Meeting.

2.2 Approve the amended minutes of June 15 Board Meeting

The minutes of the June 15, 2020 meeting have been amended to include the following: The Zoom recording verifies that the pay of Kendal Carrington would be increased and paid retroactively to the first day of school upon obtaining her license. A motion was made by William Reichaaart and passed by the board.

2.3 New Hire: Jill Thompson

Linda Holland proposed that Jill Thompson, who comes to us from St. Joseph Medical Center, be hired to fill the retirement of Diane Ringer, Early Childhood Assistant. Jill will be hired at the rate of pay as \$13.75. She will begin working mid November.

2.4 Resignations: None at this time

2.5 Approval of Claims: Vendor and Payroll Claims for September 1 to September 30, 2020 in the \$137,560.68

A motion was made by Mitch Mawhorter to approve the Consent Items as presented. Bill Reichhart seconded the motion. All approved the motion and it was passed.

3.0 Information Agenda

3.1 Friday Notes Q/A

Financial Impact Items:

- Social Security Reduction - The Federal government has reduced the amount of the monthly Social Security benefit by \$5,000 each month. That is a reduction in funds of \$60,000 annually. This amount does not affect the budget, but may impact the amount of "credit" applied to the budget payments.
- Furniture Expense - The JESSE office will be moving to the Lincoln Education Center in 2021. The anticipated time of the move will be Spring Break. In preparation of the move, furniture will need to be purchased to outfit three rooms. Linda explained that the cost of purchasing the new furniture will be taken from the building fund, which has a balance of \$60,000. It was suggested by several board members that Linda seek 2 quotes for the furniture. Linda will present the winning quote at the December meeting.

3.2 Joint Service and Supply Fund Agreement

Linda presented a draft of the Joint Service and Supply Agreement that was put together after her individual meeting with each superintendent. Suggested changes were highlighted. It was suggested that School Psychologists be added into the agreement and that the document be reviewed by the legal department. Final approval is slated for no later than December 31, 2020.

3.3 Non Pub Meeting Report

Linda Holland hosted a virtual non-pub Zoom meeting on October 7. Linda was pleased to report that there were more representatives of non public schools and parents of students attending non public schools that attended the virtual meeting than have in the past. She believes that was due to the virtual option available. All parents and participants had positive comments about the information presented to them. There were some that were unable to attend and Linda will reach out to those individuals.

4.0 Action Items

None at this time

5.0 Other Business

5.1 The next JESSE Board Meeting date is December 12, 2020 at Triton Administration Office at 10:00 EST. The November Board Meeting has been cancelled.

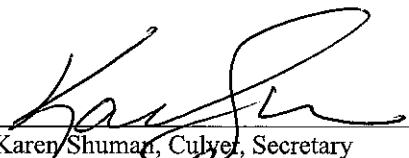
5.2 Individual Superintendent Issues, Reports, Compliments and Concerns

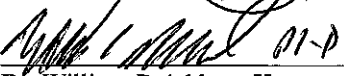
Chris Winchell asked that a virtual option of attending, due to COVID-19, be available as long as the "Open Door Policy" is still in effect. Chris also thanked Linda Holland for her help with the Due Process at John Glenn.

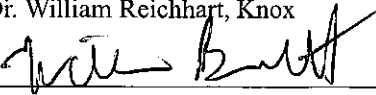
Andy Hartley also expressed thanks to Linda for her assistance with the case at Plymouth Schools.

6.0 Adjournment

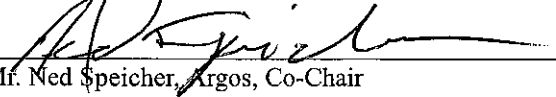
A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Reichhart and seconded by Mitch Mawhorter. The meeting was adjourned at 10:43AM.

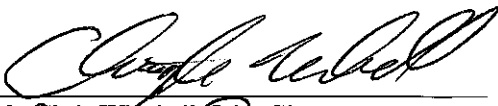

Mrs. Karen Shuman, Culver, Secretary

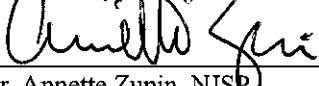

Dr. William Reichhart, Knox


Mr. Bill Bennett, Oregon Davis


Mr. Jeffrey Riffe, Triton


Mr. Ned Speicher, Argos, Co-Chair


Mr. Chris Winchell, John Glenn


Dr. Annette Zupin, NJSP

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

