

## 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.

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# Joint Educational Services in Special Education

## JESSE Board of Managers Meeting

In Person

Monday, March 13, 2023

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## MINUTES

### 1.0 Organization of Meeting

**1.1 Call to Order** – Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, President called the meeting to order at 10:03AM.

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. Bill Bennett, Oregon-Davis  
Mr. Mitch Mawhorter, Plymouth  
Mr. Jeremy Riffle, Triton  
Dr. Angela Piazza, Union-North, absent  
Mrs. Linda Holland, J.E.S.S.E. Director  
Mrs. Joyce Hanselman, J.E.S.S.E. Administrative Assistant

**1.2 Recognition of Visitors** -Mitch Mawhorter recognized the visitors to the meeting: Lauren Phipps, Director of Special Education, Plymouth and Jen Felke, North Central CTE Director.

Any visitor may request to speak, via email to [lholland@jesse.k12.in.us](mailto: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 March 13, 2023 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 January 2, 2023 JESSE Board Meeting

## **2.2 Resignations: None**

## **2.3 Hire: None**

**2.4 Approval of Claims:** Vendor and Payroll Claims for January 1, 2023 to January 31, 2023 in the amount of \$180,503.26 and February 1, 2023 to February 28, 2023 in the amount of \$159,265.52.

Karen Shuman made a motion to approve the Consent Items as presented. Bill Reichhart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **3.0 Information Agenda**

### **3.1 Friday Q/A Notes**

- Non-Pub Consultation will be Apr 12, 2023
  - Please review 2022 Documentation
  - Call Linda to discuss if you want any changes
- Alternate Diploma available to this years Cohort
  - will be counted towards the overall graduation rate
  - made up of a combination of credits and units
  - for students on alternate assessment
  - has been shared with HS staff and administration

**Jeremy Riffle** asked if Linda Holland had heard anything regarding potential changes called Core 24. She has not but will monitor.

### **3.2 2023-2024 JESSE Budget**

- Proposed Budget for Review
  - Please double check the ADM/APC to ensure they are correct.
  - In April Val Moore from Plymouth will be present to address any questions
  - May or June will be brought for Vote per JESSE Agreement
  - Discussion ensued regarding the use of JESSE services and staff by the nine school corporations until June 30, 2024. It was agreed by the school corporations in attendance that the JESSE staff and services will be used until at least June 30, 2024, pending the outcome of the May 1, 2023 notice of leaving the cooperative letters. Questions were also raised about the LEA still being needed after June 30, 2024, due to ongoing needs after the date wrapping up everything. Linda Holland shared these are items that the lawyer will assist in putting in place.

## **4.0 Action Items:**

### **4.1 Outside Contract Approval**

- Jasmine Baker, Interpreter
  - Jasmine is currently working at Jefferson Elementary in pre-school, replacing Kiscia Harshman who was moved to Knox Middle School to meet the needs of a student. She requests \$40 an hour and will work no more than 20 hours a week.
- Monica Weaver, Registered Occupational Therapist

- o Jessica Herberger will be out for the remainder of the year after spring break on FMLA. Jessica has worked extra to make sure her students' IEP times have been met, however, with the influx of 12+ referrals due in April/May, she is unable to complete them and so we need an OT-R. Monica comes to us from Rochester Hospital/Rochester Schools and lives in Argos. She is excited to be able to assist the JESSE cooperative. She requests \$70 an hour and will complete all outstanding evaluations, write reports and attend initial and move-in ACR's.

A motion to approve the 4.1 contracts was made by Ned Speicher. Bill Reichhart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

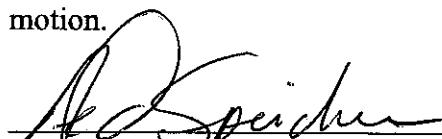
**5.0 Other Business**

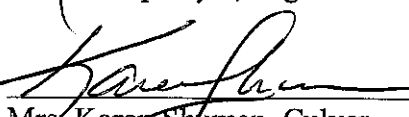
5.1 The next JESSE Board Meeting date is moved to April 17, 2023 at Lincoln Education Center starting at 10:00 AM EST with North Central CTE going first. A JESSE Executive Session will be held the same day following the CTE meeting and prior to the JESSE meeting.


5.2 Individual Superintendent Issues, Reports, Compliments and Concerns

**6.0 Adjournment**

A motion was made at 10:20 by Annette Zupin to adjourn the meeting. Chris Winchell seconded the motion.

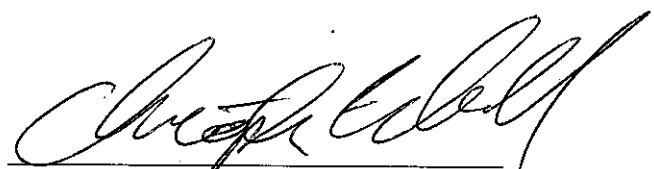
  
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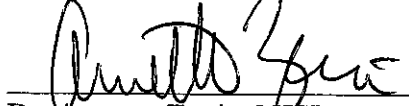
  
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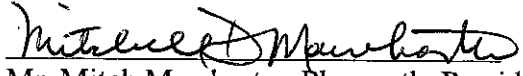
  
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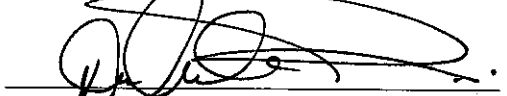
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