



Kendall County Special Education Cooperative

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MINUTES **KENDALL COUNTY GOVERNING BOARD**

March 11, 2015

KCSEC Administration Center

Present:

Lynda Shanks, KCSEC Director
Diane Cepela, Superintendent (66)
Michael Rustman, Superintendent (90)
Tim Shimp, Superintendent (115)
Robin Smith, KCSEC Staff
Susan McNelis, KCSEC Staff

Denise McCarthy, KCSEC Asst. Director
Matthew Wendt, Superintendent (308)
Judith Minor, Asst. Superintendent (308)
Michelle Senffner, Asst. Superintendent ROE
Jamie Benavides, KCSEC Staff

1. Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. Roll call showed a quorum was present.

2. Recognition of Cooperative Citizens & Public Comment

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes for the February 11, 2015 board meeting
- b. Bills for February 2015
- c. Financial Report for February 2015
- d. Personnel

Resignations – Certified:

Angela Ross, Social Worker, effective March 27, 2015
Brianne Jonathan, Teacher, effective end of 2014-2015 school year

Resignations – Non-Certified:

Tiffany Alexander, Paraprofessional, effective February 24, 2015
James Harding, Paraprofessional, effective February 20, 2015
Rachel Papp, Paraprofessional, effective March 4, 2015
Lisa Schultz, Paraprofessional, effective February 27, 2015
Dawn Sickler, Paraprofessional, effective February 13, 2015
Mary Trottier, Paraprofessional, effective February 27, 2015
Krista Yabsley, Paraprofessional, effective April 10, 2015
Beth Gillfillan, Paraprofessional, effective March 13, 2015

Contracts – Certified

Misti Bell, Teacher, 61 days, \$12,200.00

Employment Offers – Non-Certified:



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Adam Frye, Paraprofessional, 71 days, \$ 3,354.75

Shana Peake, Paraprofessional, 53 days, \$2,504.25

Jamee Valaitis, Paraprofessional, 72 days, \$7,290.00

Haley Reiland, Paraprofessional, 61 days, \$5,764.50

Motion by Shimp (115) seconded Rustman (90), to approve the Consent Agenda.
Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Motion by Rustman (90) seconded by Wendt (308), to adjourn meeting to hold Public Hearing on Calendar Waivers.

Motion by Rustman (90) seconded by Shimp (115), to return to Board meeting.

4. Calendar Waiver

KCSEC held a Public Hearing on Calendar Waiver Requests prior to the start of this meeting. The holiday modifications being requested for the 2015-2016 school year are Veteran's Day (November 11); the birthday of President Abraham Lincoln (February 12); and the birthday of Casimir Pulaski (March 2). During attendance on these days the person/persons honored by the holiday will be recognized through instructional activities conducted on that day. On Veteran's Day a moment of silence to recognize veterans of foreign wars will be observed per Public Act 96-0084.

5. Oswego School District 308 Resolution for Dissolution

Member Districts had a discussion regarding the Resolution for Dissolution that Oswego District 308 brought to the Governing Board in June of 2014.

Dr. Wendt gave the Board an update on where they are currently at with the Petition to withdraw on June 30th, 2016. He discussed that District 308 is moving forward and is preparing for Hearing with Regional Board of School Trustees. Dr. Wendt also stated that District 308 would be interested in having conversations with the other Member Districts about the second Petition that District 308 served the board regarding the Dissolution of KCSEC. The member districts that were present at the meeting said they are open to conversation, but thought it should be discussed in future meeting when all member districts are represented. The KCSEC Board plans to have three additional special meetings tentatively on March 18th, April 22nd, and May 27th to discuss the impact that the withdrawal of District 308 has on the future of KCSEC. Options to be discussed will be restructuring KCSEC, dissolution with restructuring, and dissolution.

6. Old Business

Community Services Fair was held on Saturday, March 6th at Oswego High School. 125 parents, staff, and community members were in attendance as well as 43 agencies.



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Youth Mental Health Training completed last week. 20 KCSEC staff and member district staff were trained. There was excellent feedback for this two evening training.

Lynda reminded the Board requested Special Board meetings for discussion purposes of the future of KCSEC as impacted by the withdrawal of District 308. Meetings will be set on March 18th, April 22nd, and May 27th at 9 am and held at the KCSEC Conference Room.

7. New Business

KCSEC Vocational Coordinator, Justin Olson has initiated a relationship with the Kendall County Food Pantry. The food pantry will be working with KCSEC and the Transition programs to establish volunteer opportunities for our students. Volunteer opportunities in food preparation, collecting and sorting, and clerical are being created collaboratively by the vocational, teaching and food pantry staff.

Motion by Rustman (90) seconded by Wendt (308), to go into executive session to discuss:

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10)

Litigation, when action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal. 5 ILCS 120/(c)(11)

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Motion by Wendt (308) seconded by Rustman (90), to return to open session. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

8. Approve Resignation Agreement and General Release

Lynda Shanks recommended that the Board accept Stephanie Kelly's resignation effective March 11, 2015, as part of a Resignation Agreement and General Release of Claims.



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Motion by Rustman (90) seconded by Shimp (115), to approve Resignation Agreement and General Release of Claims for Stephanie Kelly, Social Worker, as presented. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Shimp (115) seconded by Rustman (90), to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Chairman

Secretary