Knox-Warren Special Education District

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Knox Warren Special Education District
Executive Board Meeting
311 East Main Street, Galesburg, IL 61401
December 15, 2020

Members Present: Via Phone
District 202: Mr. Burgess
District 276: Dr. Curry
District 210: Mr. Farquer
District 304: Mr. Whitsitt
District 238: Mr. Fletcher
District 208: Mr. Sornberger
KWSED: Mr. Crowl

Members Absent
ROE 33: Mrs. Scott

Members Late: Via Phone
None

In accordance with Executive Order 2020-10 issued by Governor J.B. Pritzker, this Board meeting will take place virtually. Members of the public may listen by calling (US 1 475 558 0177) and entering PIN number (795 8232 052) followed by #. Members of the public will not be allowed to participate in the meeting and will be asked to identify themselves so their virtual attendance can be entered in the minutes of the meeting. If members of the public wish to make a public comment, it must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 16, 2020. Public comments can be emailed to zcrowl@kwsed.org.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

I. Call to Order: Mr. Whitsitt called the meeting to order at 8:01 am.

II. Roll Call
   a. Roll call was taken. Members present constituted a quorum. Mrs. Scott was absent as was her alternate, Mrs. Loving.

III. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments
   a. There were no visitors.
   b. There were no public comments.

IV. Approval of Minutes
   Mr. Whitsitt called for a motion to approve the Open Session Minutes from the October 20, 2020 Regular Executive Board Meeting. Dr. Curry motioned to approve the minutes, and Mr. Burgess seconded. The Executive Board approved the Minutes by roll-call vote.

V. Approval of Consent Agenda
   a. Mr. Whitsitt called for a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda items:
      i. Approval of the November & December 2020 Board Bills.
      ii. Approval of the November 2020 Payroll and Claims.
   Members were given time to ask questions regarding the items. Mr. Crowl explained the Bills, Payroll and Claims. Mr. Sornberger motioned to approve the Consent Agenda for Board Bills, and Mr. Farquer seconded. Mr. Sornberger motioned to approve the Consent Agenda for Payroll Claims. Mr. Farquer seconded. The Executive Board separately approved both motions by roll-call votes.
VI. Discussion Items
   a. Mr. Crowl was scheduled to present information to District Members regarding the Decentralization of Social Worker Services. However, Mr. Farquer announced his district would not be seeking to decentralize Social Worker Services. Mr. Farquer stated that is was too expensive.
   b. Members were updated on staffing needs throughout the Cooperative. Mr. Crowl outlined opened positions in School Social Worker, Speech-Language Pathologist and Teachers. Mr. Crowl stated that he had two interviews scheduled; a Teacher for the 2021-2022 School Year and a Speech-Language Pathologist for the 2020-2021 School Year. Mr. Whitsitt inquired if there were any known retirements that would be added to the list. Mr. Crowl stated that there were none.

VII. Action Items
   The members took action on one item.
   Mr. Whitsitt called for a motion for the Approval of Employment in the attached Personnel Report. Dr. Curry motioned to approve the Personnel Report. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion. The Executive Board approved the motion by roll-call vote.
   Mr. Whitsitt called for a motion for the Approval of the Salary Resolution. Mr. Fletcher motioned to approve the Salary Resolution. Dr. Curry seconded the motion. The Executive Board approved the motion by roll-call vote.

VIII. Administrative Reports
   a. Intergovernmental Agreement
      i. Mr. Crowl updated Members on the status of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Galesburg District 205. Mr. Crowl stated that an estimated cost sheet had been given to Galesburg District 205, and the Cooperative was waiting to hear back from District 205. Mr. Sornberger asked if the Agreement was close to being finalized. Mr. Crowl said yes.
   b. Grants
      i. Mr. Crowl reminded Members that grant payments needed to be made to Knox-Warren Special Education District. Mr. Crowl also reminded Members that Expenditure Reports were due for the quarter.
   c. Illinois State Board of Education
      i. It was announced that Illinois State Board of Education required the calculation of Excess Cost to be completed differently. As a result, Mr. Crowl requested the Annual Financial Report from each District so that Knox-Warren Special Education District could complete the Excess Cost Report on behalf of each District.
      ii. Mr. Crowl stated that Sherry McIlravy was undergoing training for the new Room and Board Claims program in iStar.
      iii. Members were given information regarding the snap-shot and approval dates for the December 1st Child Count in iStar.

IX. Closed Session
   a. Mr. Whitsitt stated that there was no need for Members to go into Closed Session

X. Comments by Executive Board
   a. There were no comments by the Executive Board Members.

XI. Future Agenda Items
   a. Future agenda items included staffing needs, the Intergovernmental Agreement with Galesburg District 205 and projections.

XII. Future Meeting Date and Time
   a. It was determined that the next regular meeting needed to be rescheduled for 8:00 am Tuesday, January 26, 2021.
XIII. Adjourn

   a. The Executive Board adjourned at 8:18 a.m. with a motion from Dr. Curry. Mr. Sornberger seconded the motion. The Executive Board approved the motion by roll-call vote.

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