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SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING September 15, 2008

The board of directors of SCKSEC met in regular session on Monday, September 15, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. at the SCKSEC administrative office in Pratt, Kansas.

Board members present were: Joe Hunter, Kent Swartz, Dave Brass, Bob Heimerman, Keith McNickle, Mike Lamb, Faith Penner, Kim Stivers, Chad Moore, Gary Curtis, Ruth McFarland, Roger Goodman, and Mike Maloney substituting for Nancy Boyer.

District Administrators present were: Jerry Cullen, Bob Hightree, Mike Baldwin, Scott Carter, Glenn Fortmayer, Mary Jo Taylor, Mike Harvey, Keith Custer, Glen Davis, Darrel Kohlman, Mike Sanders, John Wyrick, and Troy Piper.

SCKSEC administrative personnel present were: Lynn Ahrens, Ryan Cunningham and Aleta Gatz.

President Kent Swartz called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. AGENDA ADOPTION/AMENDMENT- Chad Moore moved and Roger Goodman seconded the motion to adopt the agenda with additions. The motion carried 11-0.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS - Dr. Ahrens introduced Anita Twiner, Task NEA president, Deb Sparks and Tami Rose, negotiation team members.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS- Chad Moore moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items, which included the minutes of the August 18th meeting, the financial report, payment of bills, and resignations. The motion carried 11-0. Mike Lamb and Mike Harvey arrived 7:35 p.m.

4. SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES UPDATE - Dr. Ahrens covered various types of funding procedures. Dr. Ahrens reported SCKSEC has three possible candidates for the vacancies at Kiowa Middle School. Ryan Cunningham discussed the para needs and reported all but two positions were filled. He also discussed the three and four year old needs. Dr. Ahrens reviewed court cases and OSEP letters. Dr. Ahrens also reported on revenue received from Medicaid. Dr. Ahrens reported that the Title VI-B grant had been turned in. Dr. Ahrens indicated that we are making headway on waivers. Dr. Ahrens advised the board that we are hiring the social worker for the Pre-K Pilot grant rather than having a contracted service. Scott Carter discussed the need for a .5 FTE Teacher at New Hope Heartspring. Dr. Ahrens reported that Jennifer Whitebread had been asked to return to assist with payroll and give additional training. She also reported that we are looking at DATA Team. Jerry Cullen reported on their M.A.C.S. software and support. Discussion regarding the expenses for building renovation was opened. Dr. Davis suggested that the project be postponed until April when we know if the state continues at the current projected teacher allocation.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Kim Stivers moved and Chad Moore seconded the motion to go into executive session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel and negotiations in order to protect

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the privacy of interests of the individuals to be discussed and the board would return into open session in the same room at 8:30 p.m. The motion carried 13-0. Chad Moore moved and Mike Lamb seconded the motion to return into open session. The motion carried 13-0. Keith McNickle moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to return to executive session at 8:30 and the board would return into open session in the same room at 8:45 p.m. The motion carried 13-0. Kim Stivers moved and Mike Lamb seconded the motion to return to open session. The motion carried 13-0. Regular session was resumed at 8:45 p.m.

6. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL AND CONTRACTUAL ISSUES – Chad Moore moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to approve the hiring of Janell Hearn as an IMC Para/Secretary also assisting with the preschool pilot grant data entry. The motion carried 13-0. Gary Curtis moved and Kim Stivers seconded the motion to approve the hiring of Jennifer Whitebread to assist with payroll and provide additional training. The motion carried 12-1. Dave Brass moved and Chad Moore seconded the motion to approve contracts for Pre-K Pilot Grant teachers and social worker. The motion carried 13-0. Roger Goodman moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to approve the list of paras provided in the board packet for employment. The motion carried 13-0. Chad Moore moved and Keith McNickle seconded the motion to approve the hiring of a .5 FTE Teacher at New Hope Heartspring. The motion carried 13-0. The recommendation for director's salary was tabled until the next meeting.

7. OTHER – None.

8. ADJOURNMENT- There being no further business to come before the Board, Mike Lamb moved and Kim Stivers seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried 13-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

The next meeting of the board will be held on Monday, October 20, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

Aleta Gatz, Board Clerk

Date