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**SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
February 16, 2009**

The board of directors of SCKSEC met in regular session on Monday, February 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the SCKSEC administrative office in Pratt, Kansas.

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

District Administrators present were: Jerry Cullen, Mike Baldwin, Scott Carter, Mike Harvey, Keith Custer, Suzan Patton, Mary Jo Taylor, Darrel Kohlman, Mike Sanders, John Wyrick, Troy Piper. Glen Davis arrived late.

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

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

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

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS - Kent Swartz introduced guests Deb Sparks, Cheryl Swartz, and Anita Twiner

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Dave Brass moved and Keith McNickle seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items, the financial report, payment of bills, and resignations. The motion carried 11-0.

4. KENT'S PRESENTATION ON WASHINGTON TRIP – Kent Swartz shared about his trip to Washington D.C. with the National School Board Association.

5. SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES UPDATE –Dr. Ahrens covered multiple subjects regarding special education services. Included in those topics were the Jo-a-thon coming up on April 7th, a rural grant opportunity for the board to consider, and state legislative updates. The board gave Dr. Ahrens permission to pursue the rural grant to improve distance learning and telemedicine capabilities of SCKSEC. Dr. Ahrens also discussed a parents "Revocation of Consent" for Special Education Services and the process if the parent changes their mind and requests services again. Dr. Ahrens presented a request to the board to reallocate her salary. The board agreed to table the Director's salary reallocation until next meeting to receive more information. Ryan Cunningham discussed the progress the Procedures and Resources Team is making. Dr. Ahrens also shared the assessment part of Reading Coach and received approval to proceed with the norming (free trial) of the assessment piece. Finally, Dr. Ahrens discussed the most recent updates on Special Education finance and Maintenance of Effort.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Keith McNickle moved and Roger Goodman seconded the motion to go into executive session at 8:01 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy of interests of the individuals to be discussed and the board would return into open session in the

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same room at 8:11 p.m. The motion carried 11-0. Joe Hunter moved and Mike Maloney seconded the motion to return into open session. The motion carried 11-0.

7. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL – Mike Maloney moved and Gary Curtis seconded the motion to approve the extension of the Director’s contract. The motion carried 8-3. Mike Maloney moved and Gary Curtis seconded the motion to approve the extension of the Assistant Director’s contract. The motion carried 8-3. Dave Brass moved and Mike Maloney seconded the motion to approve the enclosed paraeducators for employment. The motion carried 11-0. Joe Hunter moved and Roger Goodman seconded the motion to approve the letters of resignation from the following licensed staff: Martha Hellar, Don Ruda, Susan Ruda, and Susan Judd. The motion carried 11-0. Joe Hunter moved and Kim Stivers seconded the motion to terminate the following paraeducator contracts: Justin Lehman, Cassie Wright, and Judy Moody. The motion carried 11-0.

8. OTHER: None

9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Chad Moore moved and Gary Curtis seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried 11-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

The next meeting of the board will be held Monday, March 16, 2009 at 7:30p.m.

Ryan Cunningham, Assistant Director

Date