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**SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
May 18, 2009**

The board of directors of SCKSEC met in regular session on Monday, May 18, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. at the SCKSEC administrative office in Pratt, Kansas.

Board members present were: Joe Hunter, Kent Swartz, Bob Heimerman, Keith McNickle, Stan Woodward for Bruce Stanford, Mike Lamb, Faith Penner, Kim Stivers, Ki Gamble for Arlin Wadel, Chad Moore, Gary Curtis and Ruth McFarland.

District Administrators present were: Jerry Cullen, Brad Morris, Mary Jo Taylor, Glen Davis, Darin Headrick, Darrel Kohlman, Mike Sanders, and John Wyrick.

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 – Kim Stivers moved and Keith McNickle seconded the motion to adopt the amended agenda. The motion carried 10-0.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS – Dr. Ahrens introduced guests Deb Sparks and Tami Rose and Becky Pribl.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Chad Moore moved and Gary Curtis seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items with additions, the financial report, payment of bills, and resignations. The motion carried 12-0.

4. DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS FOR 2009-2010 – Dr. Ahrens stated that the bottom line for district shares would not go up next year. She presented the discussion of the budget from State and Federal Government for next year along with the categorical aid. She also reported \$650,000 received from Medicaid this year.

5. REVIEW OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES – Dr. Ahrens requested approval from the board to enroll five teachers in a program at Pittsburg State University for intense training in autism. The teachers who accepted the money for tuition and books would owe the coop one year for every year paid. If the teacher quit or dropped the program, the teacher would owe back the money paid by the coop for the autism courses. Dr. Ahrens notified the board of current vacancies. She asked that payment for 2 teachers for extra work be removed from the agenda. Dr. Ahrens covered electronic file review and indicator 13. She also advised the board that the TIP grant had to be turned in by 5-29-09. She asked for approval for My Reading Coach and Infnitec in the TIP grant. Dr. Ahrens expressed concerns about SLP openings.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Joe Hunter moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to go into executive session at 7:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel and negotiations in order to protect the privacy of interests of the individuals to be discussed and the board would return into open session in the same room at 8:10 p.m. The motion carried 12-0. Mike Lamb moved and Gary Curtis seconded the motion to return into open session. The motion carried 12-0. Joe Hunter moved and Bob Heimerman seconded the motion to return to executive session at 8:10 p.m.

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and the board would return into open session in the same room at 8:40 p.m. The motion carried 12-0. Bob Heimerman moved and Gary Crutis seconded the motion to return to open session. The motion carried 12-0.

7. ACTION ON PERSONNEL AND BUSINESS ITEMS – Kim Stivers moved and Ruth McFarland seconded the motion to approve employment of Tami Speicher as a paraeducator. The motion carried 12-0. Mike Lamb moved and Joe Hunter seconded the motion to accept the resignations of Beth Kerr, Lewis Griem, Kelly Bender and Cathy Westerhaus. The motion carried 12-0. Kim Stivers moved and Ruth McFarland seconded the motion to approve employment of Mike Shklar, Denise Dickson and Stephanie White. The motion carried 12-0. Gary Curtis moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to approve the employment termination of Shannon Wells. The motion carried 12-0. Faith Penner moved and Joe Hunter seconded the motion to approve the board to pay the sum of \$208 per credit hour and books for 5 selected individuals to take the credited autism training through PSU with the provision that a signed agreement would be in place for services and payback. The motion carried 12-0. Chad Moore moved and Ruth McFarland seconded the motion to approved the TIP grant be used for My Reading Coach. The motion carried 12-0.

8. OTHER: None

9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Kim Stivers moved and Bob Heimerman seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried 12-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The next meeting of the board will be held Monday, June 15, 2009 at 7:30p.m.

Aleta Gatz, Board Clerk

Date