

MINUTES  
EISENHOWER COOPERATIVE  
REGULAR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
May 29, 2007

A regular meeting of the Eisenhower Cooperative Executive Board was held at the Midlothian School District 143 Board Room May 29, 2007. MR. HOLLINGSWORTH called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Those present were:

PRESENT: District 125 - THOMAS LIVINGSTON  
District 126 - ROBERT BERGER  
District 127½ - JOYCE KLEINAITIS  
District 128 - THERESA SAK  
District 130 - MICHAEL KORSAK  
District 143 - MICHAEL HOLLINGSWORTH  
District 143½ - GREGORY WRIGHT  
SUE IRELAND, Eisenhower Cooperative

Also present were Bob Fennema (Cooperative Business Manager), Shawn Fornek (Principal of the DLP Program), Peg Singleton (Principal of the DHH Program) and Gloria Blaha of the Eisenhower Cooperative, who served as recorder.

2.1 A motion was made by MR. BERGER (126), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Executive Board of April 24, 2007. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143)

ABSTENTIONS DR. LIVINGSTON (125), DR. SAK (128), MR. WRIGHT (143.5)

NAYS: None

There being four ayes, three abstentions and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

2.2 A motion was made by MR. BERGER (126), seconded by DR. KORSAK (130), to approve the Closed Session Minutes of April 24, 2007. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143)

ABSTENTIONS DR. LIVINGSTON (125), DR. SAK (128), MR. WRIGHT (143.5)

NAYS: None

There being four ayes, three abstentions and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

- 2.3 A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to approve the Financial Report for March 2007. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

- 2.4 A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), to approve the Bills Payable for June with the exception of IDEA grant disbursements. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

- 2.5 A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by DR. KORSAK (130), to approve the IDEA grant disbursements for District 126. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

DR. BURNS (218) and CAROL COSTELLO (Principal of the CARE Program) entered the meeting at this point at 10:40 a.m.

### 3. Director's Report: Action Items

- 3.1 A motion was made by MR. BERGER (126), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5) to approve billing for Physical Therapy services at the same rate as Occupational Therapy services starting the 2007-08 school year. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

- 3.2 – A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), to approve the  
3.4 resignations of Theresa Webb as a crisis intervention aide at the CARE Program, Kristina Trobe

as an occupational therapist at DLP and Christine Walker-Tosh as a teacher at DLP. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

- 3.5 – A motion was made by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), seconded by DR. BURNS (218), to approve  
3.6 the employment of Trisha Cohen as a social work intern at the Eisenhower Cooperative at an annual salary of \$4800 and of Margaret Engler as a speech pathologist at DLP at a salary of \$40,355 (Step 1, MA +30). The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

- 3.7 DR. IRELAND distributed a letter from Crystal Financial Consultants, Inc. expressing the need to determine the debt allocation percentages as allowed by the Amended Articles of Joint Agreement. A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by MR. WRIGHT (143.5), to approve the debt service allocation across 3 components as follows: 50% built into the CARE billing, 20 % built into the itinerant billing, and 30% built into the administrative fee billing. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairmen declared the motion carried.

- 3.8 A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by MR. BERGER (126), to enter into closed session to discuss the appointment, compensation, employment, or dismissal of individual personnel at 11:05 a.m. On a voice vote all members present voted aye and the meeting went into closed session.

A motion was made by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5) to return to open session at 11:28 a.m. On a voice vote all members present voted aye and the meeting returned to open session.

- 3.9 A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by MR. BERGER (126), to approve the salary and benefit structure for instructional assistants effective the 2007-08 school year and to approve a 4.0% increase for Jeanette Enriquez. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSACK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairmen declared the motion carried.

- 3.10 A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by MR. BERGER (126), to approve the increase of secretarial staff salary by 4% for 2007-08. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSACK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5)

NAYS: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), DR. BURNS (218)

There being six ayes and two nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by MR. WRIGHT (143.5), to approve a \$1.75 per hour increase for occupational and physical therapists and a \$1.25 per hour increase for occupational therapy assistants and physical therapist assistants. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSACK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

TABLED – The Business Manager’s salary increase and permission for single health and dental benefits was tabled until next month.

A motion was made by DR SAK (128), seconded by DR. BURNS (218), to approve the assistive technology specialist salary increase of 5% which is an hourly salary of \$50.00 per hour. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSACK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by MR. WRIGHT (143.5), to increase Shawn Fornek’s salary for 2007-08 by 4%. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSACK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT

(143.5), DR. BURNS (218))

NAYS: None

There being eight ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to increase the nurses salaries at DLP and the contractual speech therapists at 4%. In addition, the motion included maintaining the salary of the full-time substitute teacher at Step 1, Lane 1 as per past practice. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. SAK (128), DR. KORSAK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), MR. WRIGHT (143.5), DR. BURNS (218)

NAYS: None

There being eight and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

4. Director's Report: Informational Items

- 4.1 Dr. Ireland reported that Dr. Smith has four persons enrolled in the "Getting On Board" training which is scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- 4.2 Dr. Ireland indicated that Linda Given from Chapman and Cutler and Rob Grossi will be preparing a resolution to be acted upon by the local district Boards. Dr. Ireland requested the date of the next scheduled Board meeting for each school district.
- 4.3 Dr. Ireland gave a construction update. Board members indicated that they would like the architect to project the construction costs and to prepare amended exterior designs. These two documents should then be forwarded to each of the ten districts as soon as possible.
- 4.4 *Cooperative Clips* for May was highlighted. Dr. Ireland also mentioned that there will be four new special education coordinators for the 2007-08 school year.
- 4.5 Pupil and Personnel Reimbursement Training will be conducted by Bob Fennema on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.
- 4.6 Welcoming luncheon for new members of the Cooperative Executive Board will be at noon on August 6, 2007 at the Limestone Grill.
- 4.7 The Executive Board Meeting Schedule for 2007-08 School Year was included in the packet.

5. Announcements – DR. IRELAND stated that ISBE has determined a finalist for the position of state assessment director.

6. Audience Participation – None

7. A motion was made by DR. SAK (128), seconded by DR. BURNS (218), to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote, all members present voted aye. The Chairman declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.