

MINUTES
EISENHOWER COOPERATIVE
REGULAR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
September 27, 2011

A regular meeting of the Eisenhower Cooperative Executive Board was held in the Eisenhower Cooperative Board Room September 27, 2011. MR. HOLLINGSWORTH called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.

Those present were:

PRESENT: District 126 - CRAIG GWALTNEY
District 127 - RITA WOJTYLEWSKI
District 127.5 - CARY HILLEGONDS
District 128 - KATHLEEN CASEY
District 130 - RAY LAUK
District 143 - MICHAEL HOLLINGSWORTH
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), Laura Wolf (Principal of the CARE Program), Monica Wilkins (Illinois Central School Bus) and Gloria Blaha of the Eisenhower Cooperative, who served as recorder.

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items – None
3. A motion was made by DR. CASEY (128), seconded by DR. LAUK (130), to approve the Consent Agenda items, to approve the Regular Minutes of August 30, 2011, approve the Closed Session Minutes of August 30, 2011, approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2011, approve the Financial Report for August 2011, approve the Bills Payable for October excluding grant reimbursement requests, approve the IDEA Flow-Through and ARRA Reimbursement requests as received, approve the resignation of Christine Walker-Tosh as a teacher at DLP, approve the Second Reading and Approval of Policy 4:15 – Identity Protection, and to approve the *Resolution to Effect Interfund Transfers from Educational Fund (Fund 10) to Debt Service Fund (Fund 30)* The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: MR. GWALTNEY (126), DR. WOJTYLEWSKI (127), MR. HILLEGONDS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), DR. LAUK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143)

NAYS: None

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

6. Director's Report – Information Items
 - 6.1 Dr. Ireland presented the Board with her annual update of Goal #3: *At the September Board meeting each year, Sue Ireland will provide a review of Cooperative programs, an update of personnel and staffing, a summary of the topics addressed by the networking groups, and a projection of future needs of the Cooperative.*

Dr. Byrne (218) entered during the above report at 10:43 a.m.

- 6.2 *Cooperative Clips* for September were highlighted
- 6.3 The response from Alpha Bus Company regarding the bus company's plan to improve service was presented to the Board. Dr. Ireland indicated that she, Howard Metz, and Bob Fennema met with the four transportation companies that did not win the Cooperative's transportation bid last spring. Each company submitted a proposal in the event that Alpha's service did not dramatically improve. At this time, Dr. Ireland felt that Alpha Bus Company has made consistent improvement in its transportation of the Cooperative's students over the last two weeks. She recommended that if this improvement continues and is sustained that the Cooperative continue in its contractual arrangement with Alpha Bus Company. The Board agreed that this was an acceptable course of action at this time.

Dr. Ireland thanked Ms. Wilkins and Illinois Central School Bus Company for submitting a proposal to the Cooperative.

Ms. Wilkins (Illinois Central School Bus Company) exited the meeting at this point.

- 6.4 Dr. Ireland indicated that Howard Kanare, the flooring consultant, did an inspection of all of the floors in the Cooperative and in the Nathan Hale Pre-K addition. He will be sending someone to do additional testing on the floors. Upon review of the test results, Mr. Kanare will provide a report to the Board indicating what he believes caused the adhesion problems with the flooring and where responsibilities lies. At that time, the Board can discuss the next step in the process. No repairs will be initiated until this process has been completed and a direction has been given by the Board.
- 6.5 Dr. Bill Smith will be the Spelling Master in the upcoming Orland Park Spelling Bee on October 16, 2011
- 6.6 An article on a Richard's High School student being assisted by Cooperative interpreter was highlighted.
- 6.7 The Illinois LRE (Least Restrictive Environment) Data Cohort sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education was discussed by Dave Andel, Division Administrator for Special Education for ISBE. He indicated that there will be 15 pilot sites across the state and encouraged Eisenhower Cooperative districts to submit their names for consideration as a pilot site.

Mr. Andel (ISBE) entered the meeting at 10:51 a.m. Dr. Ireland introduced him and he talked about the "Peer Monitoring Training." Mr. Andel left the meeting at 11:14 a.m.

- 6.8 Public Act 097-0284 was discussed. This new law excludes students who receive only speech and language services from being considered as special education students in the 70/30 formula for determining whether a classroom is a general education classroom.
- 6.9 On November 28, 2011, Dr. Joe Matula will be conducting an after school session on the Performance Evaluation Review Act for all members of the Eisenhower Cooperative Educators Association.

7. Executive Session – The Board decided that an Executive Session was not needed.
8. Since there was no Executive Session, there are no action items to be considered following that meeting.
9. Audience Participation – Dr. Lauk asked Mr. Hollingsworth if there was a plan to find a new Executive Director for the next school year. The Board decided to act as a whole to do a job search to replace Dr. Ireland at the end of June 2012.
10. A motion was made by MR. GWALTNEY (126), seconded by DR. CASEY (128), to adjourn the meeting. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: MR. GWALTNEY (126), DR. WOJTYLEWSKI (127), MR. HILLEGONDS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), DR. LAUK (130), MR. HOLLINGSWORTH (143), DR. BYRNE (218)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.