

TRI-COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION JOINT AGREEMENT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF EXECUTIVE BOARD
June 10, 2015

1. The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Chris Grode at 10:32 a.m.
2. Roll Call: Mr. Chris Grode, Dr. Gary Kelly, Dr. Lori James-Gross, Mrs. Belinda Hill, Mr. Charles Goforth and Mrs. Shelly Clover-Hill. Mr. Michael Shimshak, Mr. Tim O’Leary and Mr. Steve Murphy were absent.
3. A motion was made by Mr. Goforth, to approve the Agenda for the regular meeting of the Executive Board dated June 10, 2015. Dr. Kelly seconded the motion. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Motion Carried.
4. A motion was made by Dr. James-Gross to approve the Consent Agenda of the following items as presented:
 - Executive Board Minutes dated May 13, 2015
 - Executive Closed Session Minutes dated May 13, 2015
 - Treasurers’ Report dated June 10, 2015
 - Schedule of Bills dated June 10, 2015
 - Monthly Indicator Board Report
 - Monthly Professional Development & Training Calendar
 - Monthly Administrative Outreach & Fee-for-Service Medicaid Programs ReimbursementsDr. Kelly seconded the motion. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Dr. James-Gross, aye; Dr. Kelly, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Goforth, aye; and Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye. Mr. Shimshak, Mr. O’Leary and Mr. Murphy were absent. Motion Carried.
5. Recognition of Audience: Jan Percy, incoming Director, Lisa Gross, incoming Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary, Denise Jones, Transition Specialist completing an internship for her Administrative Degree and Peggy Maggos, Representative for the Tri-County Special Education Association.
6. Under recognition of audience, there were no public concerns and no employee concerns.
7. Mr. Hamilton stated Tri-County received a FOIA Request from USC Rossier, School of Education. He stated the request was to obtain copies of records that detail the mathematics and science textbooks that are currently used in Tri-County programs. The request was reported by using the website of www.nsftextbookstudy.org. The request was handled in a timely manner.
8. Mr. Hamilton presented a schedule of the Tri-County Executive Board meeting dates for 2015-2016. A motion was made by Mrs. Clover-Hill, seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Executive Board approve the Tri-County Executive Board meeting dates for 2015-2016. Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak, Mr. O’Leary and Mr. Murphy were absent. Motion Carried.

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9. Mr. Hamilton presented the Ordinance for Prevailing Rate of Wages for 2015. A motion was made by Mrs. Hill, seconded by Dr. James-Gross to approve the Prevailing Rate of Wages for 2015. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak, Mr. O'Leary and Mr. Murphy were absent. Motion Carried.
10. Mr. Steve Kosco, proxy for Mr. Steve Murphy arrived at the meeting at 10:42 a.m.
11. Mr. Hamilton stated numbers for 2015-2016 high school ED program at Tri-County Dewey are out of compliance and there is a need to create an additional ED classroom for high school age at TC Dewey with no increase in assessments. A motion was made by Dr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Clover-Hill that the Executive Board approve to create an additional high school classroom at TC Dewey for the 2015-2016 school year with no increase in assessments for this classroom. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Dr. Kelly, aye; Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Dr. James-Gross, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Kosco proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; and Mr. Goforth, aye. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
12. Mr. Hamilton stated that it has been recommended that an additional Tri-County REACH program at Jonesboro with 7 to 9 students be created for the 2015-2016 school year. He stated creating this additional REACH program for budgetary purposes would be tuition based at a cost of \$8,000 per student, not to exceed \$80,000 in billing per year. A discussion followed with the Board deciding to create an additional Tri-County REACH program at Jonesboro, which would bring the total cost to operate the Tri-County REACH programs next year at \$400,000 instead of \$320,000. Mr. Hamilton stated the billings for the REACH programs will be made separate from the generalized assessment billing. The Board recommended that a letter be sent to all Superintendents stating how the REACH programs would be billed separately from the generalized assessment billing. The Board also recommended the new Director, Jan Percy, revisit the cost analysis on these programs next year and report to the Board. In addition the Board would recommend that Ms. Percy do a financial training next year on how billings are figured on a quarterly basis for all the Co-op Superintendents. A motion was made by Dr. James-Gross, seconded by Dr. Kelly that the Executive Board approve Mr. Hamilton to create an additional Tri-County REACH program at Jonesboro increasing the CAP by \$80,000. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Dr. James-Gross aye; Dr. Kelly, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Mr. Kosco, proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Goforth, aye; and Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
13. Mr. Hamilton presented the first reading of the updated policies and procedures from the Illinois School Board Association reviewing any changes that need to be made. He stated the policies and procedures will be on display for public and Board comment for 30 days.
14. Mr. Hamilton presented a chart showing the student billings for FY 2015. He stated DuQuoin School District always pay their last assessment billing in July due to their Maintenance of Effort. He stated if anyone has any questions concerning the billings to contact him.

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15. Mr. Hamilton stated he has received documentation from Illinois State Board of Education that all districts have received the designation of Meets Requirements in implementing one or more of the requirements of IDEA 2004 (State Performance Plan Indicators: 4b, 9,10,11,12,13,15, 20 and Part B Audit Findings) from the data submitted for the 2013-2014 school year.
16. A motion was made by Mrs. Clover-Hill, seconded by Mrs. Hill to enter into Executive Session at 10:50 a.m. for purpose of discussing resignations, letter of intent to retire, appointments, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, family medical leaves or dismissal of specific employees of the joint agreement, and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Dr. Kelly, aye; Dr. James-Gross, aye; Mr. Kosco proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; and Mr. Goforth, aye. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
17. A motion was made by Mrs. Hill, seconded by Mr. Goforth to come out of Executive Session at 11:10 a.m. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Mrs. Hill aye; Mr. Goforth, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Dr. Kelly, aye; Dr. James-Gross, aye; Mr. Kosco proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; and Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
18. A motion was made by Mrs. Clover-Hill that the Executive Board accept the resignations of Jasmine Terry, Teacher Aide effective June 3, 2015 and the resignation of Annessa J. Presley-Witges, School Psychologist effective June 8, 2015. Mrs. Hill seconded the motion. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
19. A motion was made by Dr. Kelly and seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Executive Board accept the letter of Eileen Berry declining a summer custodial position at TC Dewey. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
20. A motion was made by Dr. James-Gross, seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Executive Board accept the letter of intent to retire of Carol Dixon, Individual Care/EOC Aide effective June 2, 2015. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
21. A motion was made by Mrs. Clover-Hill, seconded by Mrs. Hill to grant Paula Lee, Teacher Aide a Military Family leave under the Family Medical Leave Act beginning May 22, 2015; grant Archie Thompson, Teacher Aide a Family Medical leave due to a work related injury beginning May 11, 2015 and Laurian Dicks, Speech Language Pathologist a Maternity/Family Medical leave beginning August 20, 2015. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.

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22. A motion was made by Dr. James-Gross, seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Executive Board employ the following: Raymond Heatherly and Jacob Brown, STEP Students for summer custodial work at TC Ward beginning June 11, 2015 at the rate of \$8.25 per hour up to 26 hours per week for one month; and to re-employ the following 2014-2015 Non-Renewed personnel for the 2015-2016 school year: Joan Weber as a ECH-CD Teacher; Susan Nellis as a Special Needs/ED Teacher; Erin Cook as an ED Teacher and Hannah Leonard as a Comm. Development Teacher. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Dr. James-Gross, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Dr. Kelly, aye; Mr. Kosco proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; Mr. Goforth, aye; and Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary absent. Motion Carried.
23. A motion was made by Mr. Goforth, second by Dr. Kelly, that the Executive Board re-employ Ethan LeFevre as an ED Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Mr. Goforth, aye; Dr. Kelly, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Dr. James-Gross, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Kosco proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; and Mrs. Clover-Hill, abstain. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
24. A motion was made by Dr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Executive Board approve the contracts for the following exempt personnel for 2015-2016: Laurel Harris, Staff Development Coordinator on a 200 day contract and Denise Jones, Transition Specialist on a 220 day contract. A roll call vote was recorded as follows: Dr. Kelly, aye; Mrs. Hill, aye; Mr. Grode, aye; Dr. James-Gross, aye; Mr. Kosco proxy for Mr. Murphy, aye; Mr. Goforth, aye; and Mrs. Clover-Hill, aye. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
25. A motion was made by Mrs. Hill, seconded by Dr. Kelly to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was recorded as follows: Aye: all. Nay: none. Mr. Shimshak and Mr. O'Leary were absent. Motion Carried.
26. The meeting ended at 11:20 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held July 8, 2015.

Approved July 8th, 2015