

South Macoupin Association for Special Education

801 North Deneen St., Staunton, IL 62088

Executive Committee Meeting

March 1, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes

- I. Regular Order of Business
 - A. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order by Patrick Murphy at 11:05 a.m.
 - B. Roll Call: Patrick Murphy, Mt. Olive CUSD 5; Cindy Tolbert, Staunton CUSD 6; Shane Owsley, Gillespie CUSD 7; Todd Dugan, Bunker Hill CUSD 8. Also Present: Alison Storm, SMASE Director
 - C. Amend Agenda: None needed.
- II. Citizen Statements: No citizens were present.
- III. Consent Agenda. A motion was made by Dugan and seconded by Tolbert to consent agenda. Murphy, yes; Tolbert, yes; Owsley, yes; Dugan, yes.
 - A. Approval of Minutes: To approve the minutes as presented for the Regular and Closed Meeting on February 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
 - B. Approval of Bills
 - C. Approval of Financial Report
 - D. Approval of Director's Report
- IV. Roll Call to Closed Session: A motion was made by Tolbert and seconded by Owsley to enter closed session. Murphy, yes; Tolbert, yes; Owsley, yes; Dugan, yes.
 - A. Discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District. . . 5 ILC 120/2©(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.
- V. Roll Call to Open Session: A motion was made by Tolbert and seconded by Owsley to enter closed session. Murphy, yes; Tolbert, yes; Owsley, yes; Dugan, yes.
- VI. New Business
 - A. Accept the Resignation of a Paraprofessional. A motion was made by Dugan and seconded by Owsley to accept the resignation of Kristina Douglas. Murphy, yes; Tolbert, yes; Owsley, yes; Dugan, yes.
 - B. Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Non-Reemployment of Full-Time, Non-Tenured Teacher Not in Last Year of Probationary Service. Motion was made by Dugan and seconded by Owsley to adopt a Resolution Authorizing Non-Reemployment of Full-Time, Non-Tenured Teacher Not in Last Year of Probationary Service. Murphy, yes; Tolbert, yes; Owsley, yes; Dugan, yes. Motion carried.
 - C. Public Notice of Insurance Bids: SMASE will receive proposals for property, general liability, crime, inland marine, auto, umbrella, legal liability, worker's compensation and cyber liability insurance coverage. All proposals are to be received by June 2, 2021. Public notice will be run in the Staunton Star Times next week.
- VII. Correspondence
 - A. Student Teacher Placement: Illinois State University has requested that we host a student teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing for the fall semester.

VIII. General Discussion

- A. Cost Analysis and Classroom Discussion: Mrs. Storm provided an analysis of financial data and special education data over the past eight years. Numbers of special education students in all districts have increased. Mrs. Storm explained the relationship between increased numbers of students in both district and SMASE programming, increased staff and for some districts, increased costs. Overall, costs are lower than they were eight years ago, partly due to increased revenue. Tuition and administrative cost calculations were explained and discussed
- B. Chancelight Update: Mrs. Storm spoke with Mary Maye, a Chancelight representative about services they may provide. This was at the request of a community member and superintendent.
 - They provide staff and run programs within districts. They are not ISBE approved, and do not intend to become ISBE approved providers. There is no state reimbursement.
 - There is no benefit in hiring an outside company to provide the same services that we already provide.

X. Adjournment