MID VALLEY SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 18, 2014

I. Present: Kris, Lisa, Daina, Mike, Donna, Julie-Ann, Fran, Carla, Nancy, Seth, Laurel

II. IDEA Excess Cost:

- a. Expenditure worksheets: detailed reports were sent from the cooperative.
- b. Is everyone pro-rating Part D on the enrollment? Is the total enrollment special education or all students? No answers in the ppt; Donna will probably call the state after break. If anyone finds out any information, send it to Nancy who will forward it to everyone else.
- c. The webinar was just reading 100+ slides: isbe.net/IDEA/ at the bottom of the page. The slides are informative, but the webinar was not.
- III. IDEA Grant
 - a. Behavior Technical Assistance There will possibly be a suggested increase in this service. It will be determined how much use each district has for this service. Restructuring of the billing is possible. The data are being analyzed at this time.
 - b. Shared Professional Development will continue as it was for last year.
 - c. Amendments due January 15 for changes in final allocations.

IV. Enrollment

- a. New Directions High School, Safe Schools, New Pathways EC and Primary, and ELS are now full, as of December. This situation may cause an undue burden on the districts. There was a discussion about how the programs should be started next year.
- b. SAIL. District 303 is considering providing its own transition programming for students ages 18-22, similar to the SAIL program. This decision is still pending and may have an impact on program staffing, but not the overall program.
- V. Budget presentations. It was determined that each program budget would be presented with FY 14 budget, FY14 actual and FY15 budget. In addition, the year to date will be presented, but not on the specific program worksheets.
- VI. Trend Data. Carla presented information regarding special education information for the past 10 years. Information included the student population, special education population/percentage, percentage of referrals to the cooperative, number of students

in private placements, numbers of students within each disability category. In addition, she shared information regarding the number of students in cooperative programs and the associated staffing over the past five years.

- VII. Budget Workshop is scheduled with the Superintendents for April 16, 2015, 8:00 am 11:00 am, at the Geneva Administrative Offices.
- VIII. Next Meeting Date: January 22 at 1:00
 - IX. Upcoming meetings:
 - a. February 25, 1:00
 - b. March 19, 1:00
 - c. April 16, 8:00
 - X. Adjourn