Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative Executive Advisory Board Minutes September 3, 2014 11:30-2:30

Geneva School District 304 Administrative Offices 227 N. 4th Street Geneva, IL 60134

- 1. The meeting was called to order at11:40 a.m. by Dr. Schlomann, Superintendent of District 303. The following superintendents were also present: Dr. Hichens, D101; Dr. Stirn, D30; and Dr. Mutchler, D304. Also present were the administrative liaisons from each of the member districts, Nancy Sporer and Carla Cumblad from Mid-Valley.
- 2. The agenda was approved.
- 3. There was no public comment.
- 4. Dr. Cumblad presented information about Mid-Valley's 2013-14 school year, updated strategic plan and goals for the upcoming school year.
- 5. Dr. Cumblad presented trend information regarding (a) Mid-Valley enrollment and staffing trends for the last four years; (b) private placement information by district for some of the last 10 years, (c) district referral percentages for each of the MV programs, district special education percentages, and overall enrollment for the past 10 years; (d) overall MV usage percentages by district, (e) district special education enrollment by category of disability; (f) combined district enrollments by disability category compared to the state and other unit district percentages. There was a discussion about these figures and plans for special education students in the district and the cooperative.
- 6. Alternative Learning Opportunities Program options were discussed with the Board regarding students who are at-risk of academic failure. This discussion will be continued with the administrative liaisons.
- 7. Safe Schools early graduation concerns were discussed with the Board. Several steps have been implemented for the upcoming school year that will raise the standards and most likely slow the process. Regular communication regarding the Safe Schools students was suggested.
- 8. Due to concerns with the data integration aspects of Netchemia, there was a discussion regarding the continued use of a shared electronic IEP system. Follow-up activities will be implemented and discussed by the administrative liaisons.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.