Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative

Executive Advisory Board Meeting Wednesday, May 6, 2015 1304 Ronzheimer Avenue St. Charles, IL 60174

The Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative Board met in Regular Session on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at the Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative, Administration Building.

Call to Order

Dr. Mutchler, Superintendent D304, Board Secretary called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Roll Call

Upon roll call the following members were also present: Dr. Hichens, Superintendent D101; Dr. Goier, Interim Superintendent D302; Dr. Stirn, Superintendent D301 and Dr. Pearson, Assistant Superintendent D303.

Also present: Special Education Administrative Liaisons/Designees from the member districts; Dr. Carla Cumblad, Mid-Valley Executive Director; Nancy Sporer, Mid-Valley Director of Business and Human Resources; and Bonnie Carlson, Mid-Valley Executive Assistant.

Approval of Agenda - Amended

Dr. Mutchler called for the Approval of the Agenda with the removal of items 5.3 and 5.4. Dr. Stirn moved and Dr. Hichens seconded the motion. Approval of the Amended Agenda was confirmed by unanimous vote.

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes, Executive Board Meeting, March 25, 2015
- 4.2 Approval of Minutes, Closed Session, March 25, 2015
- 4.3 Approval of Minutes, Executive Board Workshop, April 16, 2015
- 4.4 Approval of Bills, April, 2015
- 4.5 Approval of Payroll, April, 2015
- 4.6 Approval of the Financial Report, April, 2015
- 4.7 NIA Services and Fees FY16

Dr. Mutchler called for Approval of the Consent Agenda. Dr. Stirn moved and Dr. Goier seconded the motion. Approval of the Consent Agenda was confirmed by unanimous vote.

Information

5.1 Student and Staff Enrollment, April, 2015 Dr. Cumblad reported to the Board the Student and Staff enrollment, May, 2015. Enrollment has decreased slightly due fewer of Safe School students. Staffing is where it is expected to be.
5.2 Administrative Liaison Meeting Minutes, April 27, 2015 Dr. Cumblad shared the minutes from the Administrative Liaison Meeting on April 27, 2015. Highlights included: Board Workshop discussion, SAMHSA grant, the Mental Health Breakfast, and projections for the upcoming school year.
5.3 Behavior/Instructional Coaching Report Rescheduled for June 3rd meeting.

5.4 Professional Development Report

Rescheduled for June 3rd meeting.

5.5 Fit for Kids Grant Award

Dr. Cumblad shared with the Board that Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative has received a Fit for Kids Grant Award in the amount of \$4612. This grant money will be used to purchase additional playground equipment for the students in the New Directions program.

5.6 Program Locations, 2015-16

Dr. Cumblad shared with the Board the Program Locations, 2015-16. Most of the program locations will remain the same with the exception of a new classroom at John Stewart, Fabyan Elementary and Geneva Middle School South. Programs currently located at Western Avenue school will be moved.

For Discussion

6.1 Waubonsee Community College

Dr. Hichens shared with the Board her discussion with representatives at Waubonsee Community College (WCC). WCC states that MVSEC does not fall into the Inter-governmental agreement category and will continue to charge the hourly rate for the SAIL classroom housed at WCC. The Board suggested a letter from all of the superintendents requesting the consideration of an interagency agreement.

6.2 Board Elections

Board Elections were conducted. Chair: Dr. Schlomann; Vice-Chair: Dr. Hichens; Secretary: Dr. Mutchler.

6.3 Mental Health Discussions and Activities

Dr. Cumblad shared with the Board information regarding the recent Mental Health breakfast hosted by Mid-Valley on March 29. Participants included members of the school community and agencies in the region that serve individuals with mental health needs and their families. One collaborative activity is grant-writing. The most recent attempt was not completed due to timeline issues. Conversations included anxiety disorders and school refusal as well as other topics. The next meeting will be held May 29.

6.4 **Revisions to the Articles of Agreement**

Dr. Cumblad shared with the Board recent guidance from the State Board of Education that requires revision to the Articles of Agreement concerning unspent federal funds. It was also suggested the Board review other key sections at the next Board meeting.

6.5 **Posting for Part-Time Job Coach Positions**

Dr. Cumblad asked the Board for permission to post the Part-time Job Coach openings in the districts' PTO networks. A copy of the posting will be sent to the superintendents.

6.6 Tentative Budget FY16

Nancy Sporer shared the Tentative Budget FY16 with the Board. A review of the past five budgets was presented. There was a lengthy discussion regarding staffing for the New Pathways program. The Board was presented five options and chose the one that includes two additional

classes to allow for future growth. Several questions were posed and will be addressed at the next Board meeting.

For Action

- 7.1 Approval of the Personnel Report, April, 2015Dr. Stirn motioned, seconded by Dr. Goier for Approval of the Personnel Report, April, 2015. Motion was passed with unanimous roll call vote.
- 7.2 Approval of Administrator Contracts FY16 Dr. Hichens motioned, seconded by Dr. Stirn for Approval of Administrator Contracts FY16. Motion was passed with unanimous roll call vote.

Adjournment

Motion made by Dr.Stirn and seconded by Dr. Hichens. By consensus the motion carried 4-0 Ayes.

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Chair of the Mid-Valley Board