

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 26, 2022

8:30 A.M. NPT Office

CALL REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL at 8:30 am

Mr. Bauer called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with three board members present. Board members in attendance were Jason Bauer, Dr. Scott Doerr, and Dr. Chris Dougherty. Also present was NPT Director, Kelly Suey, NPT Program Coordinator/Transition Specialist, Sabrina Jones and NPT Business Manager, Deanna Tarter.

Others in attendance: Lori Wemple.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, PUBLIC COMMENT, AND CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondances

MOVE TO APPROVE THE April 26, 2022 CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Mrs. Suey discussed the hiring of Garnet Tucker and Stephanie Stephens as the certified teaching positions for ESY, Gretchen Bland as PTA for ESY, and Cayla Beyers as part-time workforce teacher for the summer program. Also included in the board packet are maternity leave requests for Shelby Babbs, which will be for the first 6 weeks of the school year and for Amber Daniels following, both School Social Workers. Mrs. Suey also discussed that job descriptions for a speech language pathologist, school social worker and school psychologist are needing approval. She also informed the board that she had a FOIA request and it has been fulfilled and will be mailed out today.

Motion by Bauer, seconded by Doerr to approve the April 26, 2022 consent agenda as presented. Bauer - YEA, Doerr - YEA, Dougherty- YEA. Motion passed.

The consent agenda included Minutes for March 29, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, Bills/Treasurer's Report, hiring of Garnet Tucker, Stephanie Stephens, Gretchen Bland, Cayla and Beyers, approval of Shelby Babbs and Amber Daniels' maternity leaves, approval of job descriptions for speech language pathologist, school social worker and school psychologist, and FOIA Request.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve FY22 Amended Budget

No questions were asked about the amended budget.

Motion by Doerr, seconded by Bauer to approve the FY22 Amended Budget. Bauer - YEA, Doerr - YEA, Dougherty- NAY. Motion passed.

Open Discussion

There was no open discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss and Act on Medicaid Billing Provider for FY23.

As discussed last board meeting, Mrs. Suey provided a contract from Embrace DS for medicaid billing purposes. She recommended that the board approve NPT Special Education using Embrace DS as their medicaid billing platform starting fiscal year 2023. Dr Dougherty wanted to table this because her district isn't ready to make this change. Mr. Bauer explained that this is not for Taylorville's district, this is for NPT only.

Motion by Doerr, seconded by Bauer to approve the NPT using Embrace DS for medicaid billing for FY23. Bauer - YEA, Doerr - YEA, Dougherty- NAY. Motion passed.

Director's Report

Mrs. Suey shared that the April 5th After Hours event was over Positive Parenting Strategies and on May 10th NPT will have our End of the Year Bash for After Hours. She included a flier in the board packet and this is to all families that have attended an After Hours event this school year. NPT held their last PD with a purpose on April 25th on Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences and Being a Trauma-Informed Educator, presented by Shelby Babbs. We will not have a PD with a Purpose in May because of everyone's busy schedules.

Mrs. Suey included Pana and Nokomis updated caseload numbers and TCT's. She does not have access to Taylorville's to provide that information.

For ESY, Mrs. Suey is receiving responses for the ESY program and will follow up with phone calls next month for those students she has not received responses from.

Mrs. Suey also shared the Physical Restraint, Time Out, Isolated Time Out Reduction Plan Template on April 14th with each superintendent. She asked for the Superintendents to let her know if that is what they had in mind, need anything additional, or want her support moving forward.

FACeS will be going to Aikman Wildlife in Arcola on May 9th for their end of the year field trip. She will also be attending the high school CBI gradation party for two of the graduates on May 12th at 1:00pm at Taylorville High School.

TMC Meetings are being scheduled and will be held prior to May 31, 2022. Mrs. Suey will be holding Pana and Nokomis' and Michael stated that he will hold Taylorville's

There were no questions for Mrs. Suey

Program Coordinator/Transition Specialist

Mrs. Jones discussed that we have currently met 85% of our Transition Contract. We are on track to exceed our current contract. NPT's Annual Senior Conference was held on April 1st, 2022. There were 30 students that participated, as well as 20 volunteers from local businesses. She is continuing to work with Seniors in all three districts on completing their Senior Summary of Performance. NPT WorkForce will be held again this summer and have a few exciting changes they have added to the program to allow the students to be involved with their communities more. Mrs. Jones is also working on revamping the NPT STEP Work program that will be offered to seniors next school year.

As Program Coordinator, Mrs. Jones has reviewed 172 IEPs so far this school year. She has met with the Nokomis and Pana staff for their 4th Quarterly Special Education team meetings. Everyone is working hard to wrap up this school year on a positive note. She has also been working with Special Education staff in Nokomis and Pana on their 2022-23 schedules. This helps to ensure we stay in compliance.

Dr. Doerr commented that he heard wonderful things from some of the volunteers about the Senior conference and wanted to say great job! There were no questions for Mrs. Jones.

Business Manager Report

Dee provided an update on Excess Cost. All three member district's Excess Cost have been approved. She is still working with Go Solutions on getting students entered under NPT's account. She will also start working on the Preliminary Budget for FY23 for billing to start July 1st, 2023.

Dee also met with the Business Office staff from Taylorville, Wendy, Iliana and Keri, to go over the 3rd quarter review for the FACeS program. Wendy will bill NPT for Pana and Nokomis' portion of salary and benefits from the report Dee provides each quarter and she will send that in June once all aides have been paid.

There were no additional questions for Dee.

CLOSED SESSION

The board did not move into a closed session.

MOVE TO ADJOURN AT 8:42 a.m.

Mr. Bauer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Doerr seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Mr. Jason Bauer, President

Dr. Scott Doerr, Secretary