

MINUTES  
EISENHOWER COOPERATIVE  
REGULAR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
February 24, 2009

A regular meeting of the Eisenhower Cooperative Executive Board was held in the Eisenhower Cooperative Board Room February 24, 2009. In the absence of MR. HOLLINGSWORTH, MR. BERGER (126) called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.

Those present were:

PRESENT: District 125 - THOMAS LIVINGSTON  
District 126 - ROBERT BERGER  
District 127 - EDWARD O'MALLEY  
District 127.5 - JOYCE KLEINAITIS  
District 128 - KATHLEEN CASEY  
District 130 - AL MC DONALD  
District 218 - JOHN BYRNE  
SUE IRELAND, Eisenhower Cooperative

Also present were Carol Costello (Principal of the CARE Program), Shawn Fornek (Principal of the DLP Program), Bob Fennema (Cooperative Business Manager), Peg Singleton (Principal of the DHH Program), and Gloria Blaha of the Eisenhower Cooperative, who served as recorder.

Dr. Ireland distributed copies of the "Reimbursement Request" forms for IDEA funds.

2.1 A motion was made by DR. CASEY (128), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Executive Board of January 27, 2009. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), MR. O'MALLEY (127), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), DR. BYRNE (218)

ABSTENTION MR. MC DONALD (130)

NAYS: None

There being six ayes, one abstention and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

2.2 A motion was made by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), seconded by DR. BYRNE (218), to approve the Financial Reports for January 2009. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), MR. O'MALLEY (127), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), MR. MC DONALD (130), DR. BYRNE (218)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

2.3 A motion was made by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), seconded by DR. CASEY (128), to approve the Bills Payable for March, excluding grant reimbursement requests. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), MR. O'MALLEY (127), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), MR. MC DONALD (130), DR. BYRNE (218)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

2.4 A motion was made by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to approve the IDEA grant disbursement for Districts 126 and 143. The roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), MR. O'MALLEY (127), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), MR. MC DONALD (130), DR. BYRNE (218)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

### 3. Director's Report: Action Items

3.1 A motion was made by DR. LIVINGSTON (125), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to approve the resignation of Elizabeth Marta as a teacher in the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program following her parental leave. This roll was called on this motion with the following results:

AYES: DR. LIVINGSTON (125), MR. BERGER (126), MR. O'MALLEY (127), DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), DR. CASEY (128), MR. MC DONALD (130), DR. BYRNE (218)

NAYS: None

There being seven ayes and no nays, the chairman declared the motion carried.

3.2 The consideration and possible approval of the Lexia Proposal will be brought back to the Board after it is known how many, if any, licenses individual districts intend to order. Some districts felt positively towards the proposal and others felt their districts are not interested in buying Lexia licenses.

### 4. Director's Report: Informational Items

4.1 The *Cooperative Clips* for February was highlighted.

4.2 Mr. Fennema will conduct an IDEA Grant and Personnel Reimbursement Workshop – March 10<sup>th</sup> at 12 p.m. He also talked about the Administrators' Academy on Special Education finance. This Academy workshop has been resubmitted to the Illinois State Board of Education so it can be offered in the future. The Cooperative will sponsor it once approval has been received.

4.3 The Eisenhower Cooperative Advisory Board Meeting and Luncheon will be on April 6<sup>th</sup> from

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The presentation will feature Assistive Technology awards for both students and staff. Due to the number of possible attendees, the meeting and luncheon will be held at an area restaurant.

- 4.4 Certified staff dismissals will be brought to the Board for consideration in March.
  - 4.5 Dr. Ireland stated that the IASA needs nominations from the Cooperative Board for Director and Professional Development. This was confusing since the current people are only completing the first year of their terms. Dr. Ireland stated that she received the request to get names from Gineen O'Neil, Director of Southwest Cooperative. Dr. Ireland will call Gineen for clarification.
  - 4.6 The Cooperative is exploring vendors for electric supply rates. MR. FENNEMA distributed a graph entitled "Electric Supply Rate Comparison" and spoke to this issue.
5. Announcements – DR. IRELAND distributed "Guidance on Special Education Class Size for 2009-2010 and Beyond" (23 Illinois Administrative Code 226.730(b) and (c)). This will be discussed at the Coordinators' Meeting.

DR. BYRNE (218) announced that District 218 will be hosting a "Health Fair" on August 14<sup>th</sup>, which will include free back to school exams.

- 6. Audience Participation – None
- 7. A motion was made by DR. CASEY (128), seconded by DR. KLEINAITIS (127.5), to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote, all members present voted aye and the chairman declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.