

COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY #4

The Board of Control met on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at Wasons Supper Club, W21282 State Road 54, Galesville, Wisconsin. Chairman Dave Amundson called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

Board Members Present: David Amundson, Kevin Bauman, Jane Halverson, Julie Meyers, Bill Oldenburg, Peggy Pasker, Jo Ressie, Gerald Roethel, Mary Jo Rozmenoski, and Jim Wright.

Excused: Jeff Stalheim

Also present: Cheryl Gullicksrud, Wayde Pollock, and Michelle Kotek

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Julie Meyers moved to approve the meeting agenda with the addition of 7.d. Authorization to Borrow Short Term Funds for Cash Flow Purposes. Bill Oldenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT - None

READING AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Jo Ressie moved to approve the meeting minutes of the August 3, 2016 meeting with the correction of time of meeting called to order at 8:16 p.m. Bill Oldenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVE VOUCHERS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE MONTHS OF AUGUST

Jane Halverson moved to approve the vouchers and financial statement for the month of August. Kevin Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE PERSONNEL CONTRACTS

Jo Ressie moved to approve the personnel contracts for:

Erin Hansen, Special Education Consultant

Tiffany Lisk, Wisconsin Statewide Parent Education Initiative Coordinator

Lillian Savage, part-time school psychologist, Cochrane-Fountain City

Patrick Thibodeau, part-time CNC Program Coordinator, Sparta

Peggy Pasker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BOARD OUTREACH ACTIVITY DISCUSSION

Looking at board outreach activity to focus on teacher retention, teacher shortage and exit survey findings when teachers leave districts.

AGENCY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

- Black River Falls Open House for Red Creek Elementary - Monday, September 12; public tours from 4-6:00 and dedication ceremony at 6:00 pm

- WASB Fall Regional Meeting – September 27 at Northside Elementary in La Crosse. Register with the WASB.
- Possible Fall Board Retreat – later in October; information on regional teaching training programs and/or teacher retention factors and practices across the state
- Two CESA 4 school districts are presenting referenda questions to voters during the upcoming November election: Melrose-Mindoro and West Salem. Both are proposals to issue debt for facility improvements. The Melrose-Mindoro district is requesting \$24.7M to create a consolidated campus at the high school site. The West Salem ballot will have two questions: 1) \$20M to renovate and furnish the Middle School and the Elementary School and 2) \$5M to replace and/or make improvements to various district athletic facilities.
- The Wisconsin Safe and Healthy Schools (WISH) Center grant provides a number of programs throughout the state. CESA 4 is the fiscal agent for the grant, and the grant director, Tracy Herlitzke, works from an office in our agency. The WISH Center budget for 2015-2016 was over \$1.2M. Funding comes from a combination of state and federal grants to support training events and technical assistance on a variety of topics related to keeping students and schools safe and healthy. Tracy recently provided an annual review and update of the WISH grant activities at a CESA Statewide Network meeting. A copy of her report is included in the handouts for tonight’s meeting.
- The Wisconsin Challenge Academy has purchased CESA 4 services to assist with special education programming.
- All-Staff Inservice program was held on August 29. Ten new staff members were introduced.

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the Agency Administrator’s report. Jo Ressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW SHORT TERM FUNDS FOR CASH FLOW PURPOSES

Jane Halverson moved to authorize the CESA #4 Agency Administrator be authorized to borrow funds to meet short term cash flow needs up to \$500,000 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year as provided for by Wisconsin Statute 116.08(2) . Jo Ressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUTURE BOARD OF CONTROL AGENDA ITEMS

- 2016-2017 Budget review and approval
- Academic Career Planning Presentation possibly for October 5 meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Kevin Bauman moved to adjourn. Jane Halverson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday evening, October 5, 2016, 7 p.m. at Badger Crossing, Cashton.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Gullicksrud