

COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY #4

The Board of Control met on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at CESA #4 Office, 923 East Garland Street, West Salem, Wisconsin. Chairman Dave Amundson called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Board Members Present: David Amundson, Kevin Bauman, Dawn Comeau, Jane Halverson, Julie Meyers, Gerald Roethel, and Mary Jo Rozmenoski.

Excused: Larry Cyrus, Shawn Sedgwick, Sarah Staff, and Jim Wright.

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

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Jane Halverson moved to approve the meeting agenda as distributed. Julie Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT - None

READING AND APPROVAL OF JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Jane Halverson moved to approve the meeting minutes of the January 3, 2018 meeting. Kevin Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVE VOUCHERS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Mary Jo Rozmenoski moved to approve the vouchers and financial statement for the month of January. Jane Halverson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

CESA #4 2018-2019 Program and Services Catalog Overview

Cheryl Gullicksrud reviewed the changes and new programming available to school districts in 2018-19. The superintendents will receive their catalogs at their February 13 Professional Advisory Council meeting.

BOARD DISCUSSION ON WASB CONVENTION

Feedback from both veteran and new board members in the area was that the convention was a valuable learning experience.

AGENCY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

- *Character Lives* is a regional non-profit organization working to support the implementation of the CharacterStrong model of servant leadership development in our schools. Developed by John Norlin, CharacterStrong is being used across the United States. After Mr. Norlin presented at a Professional Advisory Council (PAC) meeting last year, a number of CESA 4 schools chose to implement the program. At the January meeting, a representative from *Character Lives*, announced the exciting news that a grant had been obtained to support the training of 15 teachers in each of our CESA 4 school districts – a \$3735 grant per school district. The training is scheduled for Saturday, February 10.

- Twelve applications were received for the Regional Service Network and Special Education Director position. Interviews are scheduled for mid-February. Eight applications have been received so far for the Career Exploration and Planning Director position with interviews to be scheduled in March.

Recognition

- Congratulations to Prairie View Elementary and the De Soto School District for their nomination as a Wisconsin representative to the National Blue Ribbon Schools recognition program. To be eligible for nomination, a school must be among the top schools in the state for overall achievement on statewide assessments or in closing gaps between student groups. Nominations will be reviewed and national awards will be announced in early September.
- The WASB Convention in Milwaukee offered many excellent opportunities for learning and networking. Members of two CESA 4 school districts provided workshop presentations. Aaron Engel, District Administrator of the Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau School District, served on a panel discussing the importance of including facility needs in strategic planning processes; and Black River Falls District Administrator Shelly Severson, Director of Business Services Jill Collins, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Stephanie Brueggen, and Board President Mary Jo Rozmenoski presented on the impact and value of using the “Gift of Feedback” from community when creating a strategic plan and assessing initiatives.

The Board was given an update regarding the FICA reconciliation process currently being conducted by business office staff.

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

BOARD OF CONTROL MEMBER INPUT/CRACKER BARREL

Jac Lyga, Bangor Elementary Principal, will be honored at the Wisconsin State Reading Association convention on February 8 as the 2018 Outstanding Administrator by the Midwest Reading Council for her leadership in the field of literacy.

ADJOURNMENT

Jane Halverson moved to adjourn. Mary Jo Rozmenoski seconded the motion. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday evening, March 7, 2018 – Dawn Comeau will check on availability of Northside Elementary as a potential meeting site.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Gullicksrud