

**REGION III SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE****EXECUTIVE MEETING****April 20th, 2022****CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order remotely via Google Meet by Mr. Kyle Hacke, Chairperson, at 1:40 p.m. Roll was as follows:

**Present:** Dr. Jill Griffin (in person), Mr. Monty Aldrich, Mr. Rob Miller, Mr. Brad Tuttle, Mr. Kyle Hacke (in person)

**Not in attendance:** Dr. Patrick Anderson

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

No visitors were present.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Mrs. Lenger discussed a form used for Special Education Transportation, Community Based Instruction. She explained the form is not for permission to attend the community based instruction, but rather for reimbursement. As long as the outing involves activities toward the students IEP goals, districts can get reimbursed.

Mrs. Lenger informed the board that Journeys has 3 students graduating this spring. Journeys graduation ceremony is May 11, 2022 @ 10:00 am. There are two students from Southwestern School District, and one from Jersey 100 graduating. This brings the total Journeys graduates to 45 students. Mrs. Lenger expressed that our staff encourage the graduating students to walk in their home districts' graduation ceremonies.

Mrs. Lenger updated the board on the current status of Journeys location for next school year and going forward. She discussed the meeting with Kyle Hacke and members of Crossroads Church. She explained how their new board members were hesitant to house our programs within their building and would not be leasing to us. Mrs. Lenger mentioned her discussion with Mr. Tuttle about staying at the current Journeys building longer. Her concern with staying in the current building long term is putting more money in a building the cooperative does not own. Mrs. Lenger is going to meet with Mr. Rob Miller to discuss the possibility of approaching his board again about housing Journeys at East Alton-Wood River High School. Mr. Miller explained how his teachers and staff realize now they can coexist with other programs since Lewis & Clark Jr. high had to relocate there due to a fire in their building.

Mrs. Lenger informed the board she received a bargaining letter from the board this morning. They are making arrangements to have their first meeting in May.

**PROGRAMS****Current Programs**

Mrs. Lenger provided the board members a list of Region programs, and number of staff and students in each program. She informed the board we currently have 49 students enrolled in our programs with one more student starting on Monday. Mrs. Lenger presented a chart of programs and potential students for next school year. She provided a chart showing the Behavior Coach's hours at each district.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Dr. Jill Griffin moved to approve the Consent Agenda and approve bills as presented. Mr. Aldrich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Dr. Griffin moved to approve Journeys calendar for next school year. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Griffin moved to approve the closure of the Vantage Credit Union account. Mr. Aldrich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Griffin moved to approve the closure of the US Bank account. Mr. Aldrich seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

Dr. Griffin moved to approve hiring Maria Day, Allie Kesler and Margaret Fitzgerald as teachers for ESY. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Roll call was taken with Members Voting, Yes 5-0. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Griffin moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:13 p.m. Mr. Tuttle seconded. Motion carried with Members Voting, Aye-5, Nay-0.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting for the Region III Executive Board will be held remotely, Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Katie Wieckhorst, Administrative Assistant



Mr. Kyle Hacke, Chairperson