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Open Meeting Minutes

Date: July 7, 2016

Time: 9:02 a.m.

Location: L.E.A.S.E. Office Board Room

Type of meeting: Regular

Name of person taking the minutes: Mary Beth Snow

Name of person presiding: Ms. Mary Jane Chapman

Members in attendance:

1. Mr. Ryan Linnig
2. Mr. Ted Sanders
3. Mr. Matt Seaton
4. Mr. Cleve Threadgill

Members absent:

1. Dr. Sandy Malahy
2. Mr. Steve Wroblewski (arrived at 9:08 a.m.)

Also present

1. Ms. Mary Jane Chapman, Director
2. Mr. Matt Winchester, Assistant Director

Reception of Guests and Visitors & Opportunity for Public Comment

Mr. Chris Dvorak, Regional Superintendent and Mr. Brian DeBernardi, Superintendent, LaSalle Elementary Schools were recognized as guests.

Agenda item: Appoint Brian DeBernardi to fill a temporary vacancy on the Executive Committee through the September 2016 meeting.

Summary of discussion: The Executive Committee needs to recommend one superintendent to fill the vacancy due to the retirement of Dan Marenda, LaSalle Elementary Superintendent.

Motion made by: Mr. Linnig

Motion: to appoint Brian DeBernardi to fill a temporary vacancy on the Executive Committee through the September 2016 meeting.

Motion seconded by: Mr. Seaton

Voice vote "Yeas" – all

"Nays" – none.

Action: Passed

Approval of Items on Consent Agenda (Open and Closed Session Minutes from the Board meeting held on June 7, 2016, May 2016 Bank Reconciliation; Bills and Financial Reports), CBS student activity fund report and the destruction of closed session tape recorded minutes from January 6, 2015.

Summary of discussion: Ms. Chapman shared an additional bill list.

Motion made by: Mr. Linnig

Motion: To approve the open and closed session minutes from the board meeting held on June 7, 2016, to approve the May, 2016 bank reconciliation, the bills, the financial reports, the CBS student activity fund report and the destruction of closed session tape recorded minutes from January 6, 2015.

Motion seconded by: Mr. Sanders

Roll Call: "Yeas" – Linnig, Sanders, Seaton and Threadgill
"Nays" – none.

Action: Passed

Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting

Date: July 7, 2016

Time: 9:06 a.m.

Location: L.E.A.S.E. Office Board Room

Motion was made by: Mr. Linnig

And seconded by Mr. Sanders

To adjourn to closed meeting to discuss:

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Alliance or legal counsel for the Alliance, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the Alliance to determine its validity and

Closed Meeting Roll Call: "Yeas" – Linnig, Sanders, Seaton and Threadgill
"Nays" – none.

Action: Passed

Time of adjournment of closed meeting and return to open meeting: 9:12 a.m.

Motion to Return to Open Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Sanders

And seconded by Mr. Wroblewski

To return to open meeting

Roll Call: "Yeas" – Sanders, Wroblewski, DeBernardi, Linnig, Seaton and Threadgill
"Nays" – none.

Action: Passed

Anticipated Action Items After Closed Session

Approve a contract for the Executive Director

Summary of discussion: As discussed in Closed Session

Motion made by: Mr. Wroblewski

Motion: to approve a contract for the Executive Director:

Motion seconded by: Mr. Seaton

Roll call: "Yeas" – Wroblewski, Seaton, DeBernardi, Linnig, Sanders and Threadgill.
"Nays" – none.

Action: Passed

Information Items

Feedback on LEASE facilitated planning session

Ms. Chapman asked for the committees thoughts regarding the process. The Committee felt that the session went well, was productive and people are engaged in the process. They felt LEASE received a lot of positive comments we are off to a good start. Ms. Chapman felt that at today's session we should expect to develop a plan for moving forward. Ms. Chapman has updated the LEASE Coordinators on the progress

Update on recent V.O.I.C.E. / legislative, legal, Medicaid, I.S.B.E. and L.E.A.S.E. initiatives

- a. A new webpage, specific to understanding dyslexia, is now available and includes information developed by a dyslexia advisory group. The website can be found at <http://www.isbe.net/spec-ed/html/dyslexia.htm>.
- b. Due to requests from school nurses and districts, Lewis University, in partnership with the Illinois Association of School Nurses, is offering an additional **two-day workshop for registered nurses** working in schools. The workshop will take place in Oak Brook on Aug. 3-4. It will present an overview of the legalities of working in schools, nursing responsibilities, overview of special education processes, preparation for emergencies and disasters, application of the nursing process in a school setting, state and national standards of school nursing, guidelines for running a school health offices, and a month-by-month overview of school health services. It is designed for nurses who do not hold a Professional Educator License. For more information and to register, please visit <http://www.lewisu.edu/rn-working-in-schools/index.htm>
- c. A Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment Waiver Updated Guidance document is available on ISBE's website.

Finance/Grant Update

Mr. Chapman shared that the IDEA grant is still not open, however, the new GATA data collection page is available in IWAS. This must be completed before any grant applications can be approved.

Non-Agenda Items from the Executive Committee/Director

There were none.

Approval of Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Linnig

Motion seconded by Mr. Seaton

A voice vote indicated all ayes.

Action: Passed

Time of adjournment: 9:23 a.m.

Post Meeting Action

Date minutes approved: August 9, 2016

Date minutes were available for public inspection: August 9, 2016

Date minutes were posted on Alliance website: August 9, 2016