

- MINUTES -
Emergency Executive Board Meeting
Eastern Illinois Area of Special Education
February 22, 2011 – 6:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Present

Lorraine Bailey, Paris #4 (Edgar County)
Jean Chrostoski, Arcola CU #306 (Douglas County)
Jeff Fritchtnitch, Altamont CU #10 (Effingham County)
Joel Hackney, Okaw Valley CU #302 (Moultrie County)
Sharon Keck, Windsor CU # 1 (Shelby County)
James Littleford, Charleston CU # 1 (Coles County)
Dee Scott, Casey-Westfield #C-4 (Clark County)
Rusty Ragon, Cumberland CU #77 (Cumberland County)

Board Absent

None

Staff Present

Tony L. Reeley, Executive Director/EIASE
Ellen Humphrey, Assistant Director-Administration/EIASE
Jean L. Balch, Assistant Director-Business/EIASE
Marilyn Shull, Administrative Assistant/EIASE
Beverly Johnson, Executive Assistant/EIASE

Guest Present

Betty Rhea, EIASEA Representative
Sue Peadro, EIASEA Representative
Lona Baldwin, EIASE Social Worker
Vickie Christman, EIASE Retired

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Mr. Reeley opened the meeting by calling for introduction of guests present at the meeting. Guests present were: Betty Rhea, EIASEA Representative; Sue Peadro, EIASEA Representative; Lona Baldwin, EIASE Social Worker; and Vickie Christman, EIASE Retired Collaborative Teacher. Mr. Reeley asked the audience if there were any questions or comments regarding agenda or non-agenda items. There were no requests or comments.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A PROPOSED REDUCTION-IN-FORCE BECAUSE OF THE “5 OR 150% RULE.”

Director Reeley stated that the only people that have a right to the public hearing regarding the “5 or 150% Rule” are tenured staff being RIFFED, none were present.

EMPLOYMENT

At the February 8, Executive Board meeting, the Board approved a motion to create a new Treatment and Learning Center classroom in Central School in Effingham. The Board also approved EIASE to post a teaching position and search for a suitable candidate to fill this post for the remainder of the school year.

Your Director recommends that the Executive Board employ the following people for the remainder of SY11 effective February 17, 2011.

1. Kayla Boss – from .5 FTE Prevocational Teacher to 1 FTE Prevocational Teacher.
2. Kristin Rowley – from .5 FTE FTLC Prevocational Teacher to 1 FTE Teacher, FTLC.

It was moved by Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County), seconded by James Littleford (Coles County) that the Executive Board approve the recommendation to employ Kayla Boss and Kristin Rowley for the remainder of SY11, as presented. Roll call vote: Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) yea; Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) yea; Dee Scott (Clark County) yea; Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County) yea; Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) yea; Sharon Keck (Shelby County) yea; James Littleford (Coles County) yea; Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County) yea -- motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING DISMISSALS AND REDUCTION-IN-FORCE

The Early Childhood At-Risk Block Grant and the ORS grant are uncertain again this year. With the uncertainty of funding, Director Reeley recommends reductions-in-force for the grant funded portions of these programs. EIASE is also looking at cutting positions because of reduced requests for services from our member districts and several positions that were covered by ARRA grants that are expiring at the end of FY11. Furthermore, nine students that attend our EIASE Diagnostic & Developmental Center live in an area group home that is losing its state licensure and financial backing. At this time, it is uncertain how many of these nine students will continue to live in this area and be able to attend our DDC program. If we lose these students we would need to reduce our staff in the DDC by one teacher and four aides.

Your Director recommends the non-renewal of the following non-tenure certificated personnel.

1. Ashley Markley – ECSE Screener, ESCE
2. Kayla Boss - Prevocational Coordinator (ARRA)
3. Kristen Rowley – Teacher, FTLC
4. Lynn Huber – Teacher, FTLC
5. Vicki Rasmussen – Collaborative Teacher
6. Carol Birch - .6 Collaborative Teacher

7. Nancy McGugan - .5 Collaborative Teacher
8. Candace Nash - .5 Collaborative Teacher
9. Joan Ebinger - .9 Social Work
10. Patricia Smith – Counselor KTLC
11. Geoffrey Clarkson – Teacher, FTLC
12. Kimberly Newby – Teacher, KTLC
13. Christine Russell – Teacher, FTLC

It was moved by Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County), seconded by Dee Scott (Clark County) that the Executive Board approve the recommendation for the non-renewal of the the non-tenured certificated personnel, as presented. Roll call vote: Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) yea; Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) yea; Dee Scott (Clark County) yea; Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County) yea; Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) yea; Sharon Keck (Shelby County) yea; James Littleford (Coles County) yea; Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County) yea -- motion carried.

Your Director recommends the resolution reference reduction in certificated employee responsibilities of the following employee.

1. Lori Woodruff – 1 FTE position to a .5 time certificated position as of the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year.

It was moved by Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County), seconded by Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) that the Executive Board approve the recommendation for the resolution reference reduction in certificated employee responsibilities, as presented. Roll call vote: Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) yea; Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) yea; Dee Scott (Clark County) yea; Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County) yea; Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) yea; Sharon Keck (Shelby County) yea; James Littleford (Coles County) yea; Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County) yea -- motion carried.

Your Director recommends the reduction-in-force of the following tenured certificated personnel.

1. Melinda Edrington – Teacher, Project HELP
2. Leona McKitrick – Teacher, Project HELP
3. Kim Storm – Teacher, Project HELP
4. Anne Eadie – Teacher, Project HELP
5. Sharon Porter – Student Data Coordinator, Project HELP
6. Pam Ramage – Developmental Screener, ECSE
7. Jill Brown – Teacher, Project HELP
8. JoAnn Sheehan – Teacher, Project HELP
9. Laura Dunn – Teacher, Project HELP
10. Ginny Hubbart – Teacher, Project Help
11. Elizabeth Smothers - Teacher, Project Help
12. Ronda Lowell - Teacher, Project Help
13. Jennifer Mast - Teacher, Project Help

14. Amy Durdel - Teacher, Project Help

It was moved by Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County), seconded by Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) that the Executive Board approve the recommendation for the reduction-in-force of the tenured certificated personnel, as presented. Roll call vote: Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) yea; Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) yea; Dee Scott (Clark County) yea; Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County) yea; Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) yea; Sharon Keck (Shelby County) yea; James Littleford (Coles County) yea; Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County) yea -- motion carried.

Your Director recommends the reduction-in-force of the following classified hourly employees.

1. Robert Ginger – Job Coach, SVE
2. Suzanne Tomshack – Aide, Early Childhood
3. Gabrielle Morrow – Aide, Hearing Impaired
4. Tasha Shirley – Aide, DDC
5. Jessie Jackson – Aide, FTLC
6. Andrew Gaines – Aide, HTLC
7. Jeremy Henson – Aide, HTLC
8. Steven Steele – Aide, FTLC
9. Diane Halsey - .5 Aide, Hearing Impaired
10. Kelly Bingman – Aide, FTLC
11. Seth Humphrey – Aide, Leave of Absence
12. Jason Anderson – Aide, HTLC
13. Nicholas Orr – Aide, HTLC
14. Rebecca Ritchey – Aide, KTLC
15. Nancy Meyer – Aide, FTLC
16. Lisa Norman – Job Coach, SVE
17. Jermaine High – Aide, HTLC
18. Michael Holt – Aide, HTLC
19. Missy Hampton – Aide, Early Childhood
20. Lori Eaton – Aide, DDC
21. Judith Hutton – Aide, DDC
22. Cindy Calhoun – Aide, KTLC
23. Angel Goble – Aide, Early Childhood
24. Michelle Smock – Aide, DDC
25. Kevin Wiedman – Aide, FTLC
26. Justin Milchman – Aide, FTLC
27. April Hardiek – Aide, FTLC
28. Sarah Ritchey – Aide, KTLC
29. Cody Hammond – Aide, KTLC
30. Susan Cunningham – Aide, FTLC
31. Lisa Garrett – Aide, DDC
32. Regina Beals – Aide, HI
33. Victoria Brady – Aide, Early Childhood

- 34. Rose Smith - .5 Level 1 Secretary
- 35. Debra Roberts - .5 Level 1 Secretary

It was moved by Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County), seconded by Dee Scott (Clark County) that the Executive Board approve the recommendation for the reduce-in-force of the classified hourly personnel, as presented. Roll call vote: Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) yea; Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) yea; Dee Scott (Clark County) yea; Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County) yea; Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) yea; Sharon Keck (Shelby County) yea; James Littleford (Coles County) yea; Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County) yea -- motion carried.

Your Director recommends the reduction in employment status of the following hourly classified employees for the 2011-2012 school year.

- 1. Mary Beth Chaney – .5 Level II Secretary to .5 Level I Secretary
- 2. Elaine Stuckey – Level II Secretary to .5 Level II Secretary & .5 Level I Secretary

It was moved by James Littleford (Coles County), seconded by Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) that the Executive Board approve the recommendation to the reduction in employment status of the hourly classified personnel, as presented. Roll call vote: Jeff Fritchtnitch (Effingham County) yea; Jean Chrostoski (Douglas County) yea; Dee Scott (Clark County) yea; Lorraine Bailey (Edgar County) yea; Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) yea; Sharon Keck (Shelby County) yea; James Littleford (Coles County) yea; Rusty Ragon (Cumberland County) yea -- motion carried.

OTHER

None

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by James Littleford (Coles County), seconded by Joel Hackney (Moultrie County) that the Executive Board adjourn at 7:00 p.m. All voted aye – motion carried.

Submitted by:

Beverly Johnson
Executive Assistant

Marilyn Shull
Executive Assistant