

# Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative

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## MINUTES EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MARCH 2025

President Smith called the Executive Board Meeting of March 13, 2025 to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Kankakee Area Career Center. A Quorum was present.

### 1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Matt Maxwell, (Central), Nicole Terrell-Smith (Pembroke), Jay Smith (St. George),

Charles Stegall (St. Anne) , Chris Hammond (Bradley Elementary) Also present:

Lindsey Coffey, Director, Jill Cowsert, Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

John Palan (Grant Park)

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

3. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u> - Mr. Hammond moved to go into closed session at 9:02 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) Second:Dr. Smith ROLL CALL: AYES: Maxwell, Stegall, Smith, Hammond and Terrell-Smith. NAYES: NONE

Returned to Open Session: 9:06 a.m.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes from February 20, 2025 as mailed and presented.
- B. Approve Closed Session Minutes of February 20, 2025.
- C. Payment of Bills: Payroll and Liabilities; March Accounts Payable and February Imprest.

Mr. Hammond moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented: Second: Dr. Terrell-Smith ROLL CALL: ALL AYES: Hammond, Terrell-Smith, Stegall, Smith, and Maxwell.

5. <u>DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u> Board members received the Director's report in their mailing.

Ms. Coffey's report included:

A PROGRAM UPDATES

The Director gave updated enrollment for each program and staffing needs.

B. 2025-20256 STAFF PLANS/UPDATE

KASEC will be asking for the approval of an additional Communications Program

Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. The Director is waiting to confirm a possible

physical therapist and will bring the recommendation to the April Board meeting. Letters of Intent were sent out to non-member districts for the 2025-2026 school year.

## C. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Director updated the Board of upcoming professional development opportunities offered to member and non-member districts.

#### D. BULK PAPER BID

As of today, only 1 paper bid has been submitted. The Director will be the recommendations to the April Board meeting after the bid opening.

## E. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Finance Committee will meet March 21st to discuss service assessments, billing and tuition and 5th quarter billing.

## F STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

The Director highlighted KASEC's Social Worker, Kate Haenig. Kate is a wonderful asset to the KASEC staff.

#### G. OTHER

The Communications Program will need to pursue a paraprofessional for the additional classroom. St. George will have a new transportation contract for the 2025-2026 school year. This might affect the Communications Program schedule, but Dr. Smith will be sure to give out the schedule in advance.

#### 6. ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Hammond moved to Approve Logan Nesselrodt, Communication Instructor for the 2025-2026 school year at BS/1 \$44,982. Second: Dr. Terrell-Smith ROLL CALL: ALL AYES: Smith, Terrell-Smith, Stegall, Hammond, and Maxwell.

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There being no further business, Mr. Stegall moved to adjourn the Executive Board Meeting at 9:21 a.m. Second: Dr. Maxwell VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. Meeting adjourned.

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