

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting

The Executive Board of the Henry-Stark Counties Special Education District met on Thursday, December 09, 2021, at 1:30p.m. in the Henry-Stark Counties Special Education District Administrative Office, Kewanee, Illinois. Roll call showed the following members present: Mr. Nordstrom, Mr. Gripp, Dr. Brumbaugh, Dr. Sullens, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Kazubowski, and Mr. Akers. Members absent: Mr. Becker. Others present: Angie Zarvell and Robin O'Connor.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

There were no comments from the visitors.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Nordstrom and seconded by Kazubowski to approve the following items under Consent Agenda:

- 10/14/21 Executive Board Meeting Minutes
- 10/14/21 Executive Board Executive Session Minutes
- 10/15/21, 10/29/21, 11/15/21, & 11/30/21 Bills Payable
- 10/15/21, 10/29/21, 11/12/21, & 11/26/21 Payroll Withholding
- 10/15/21, 10/29/21, 11/12/21, & 11/26/21 Payroll and Benefits
- 10/31/21 & 11/30/21 Financial Statements

Roll call vote showed Nordstrom, Gripp, Brumbaugh, Sullens, Elliott, Kazubowski, and Akers voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 7-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The present Executive Board members and Director, Mr. Wertheim decided there was no need to go into closed session. A closed session was not held for this meeting.

PERSONNEL:

Motion by Brumbaugh, seconded by Gripp to accept and recommend to the Governing Board approval of the following Personnel:

EMPLOYMENT

William Farb

Paraprofessional/Geneseo High School

Salary: \$12.00/Hr

Start Date: 11/01//21

Rachael Himmelman

Paraprofessional/Northside

Salary: \$12.00/hr

Start Date: 10/18/21

Marissa Johnson

Paraprofessional/Lyle

Salary: \$12.00/hr

Start Date: 11/15/21

Jason O'Reilly

Custodian/ExCEL

Salary: \$16.00/hr

Start Date: 12/13/21

REQUEST FOR LEAVE

Ms. Jennifer Carlson

Family Medical Leave Act

Cross Cat Teacher/Central

Estimated Leave Start Date: 02/04/22

Estimated Leave End Date: 04/25/22

Ms. Amy Croegaert
Family Medical Leave Act
Ed Teacher/ExCEL
Estimated Leave Start Date: 11/30/21
Estimated Leave End Date: 02/22/22

RESIGNATIONS

Ms. Nancy Duarte-Guerrero
Paraprofessional/Kewanee High School
Start Date: 10/01/19
End Date: 11/19/21
Reason: Personal

Ms. Chelsy Hallberg
Paraprofessional/Kewanee High School
Start Date: 08/16/17
End Date: 11/19/21
Reason: Personal

Ms. Samantha Lain
Paraprofessional/Northside
Start Date: 08/12/21
End Date: 11/11/21
Reason: Personal

Ms. Kaylynn McNamee
Paraprofessional/Central
Start Date: 01/07/19
End Date: 10/29/21
Reason: Personal

Ms. Christina Minnaert
Paraprofessional/ExCEL
Start Date: 08/21/17
End Date: 10/29/21
Reason: Personal

Ms. Mary Beth Newby
Paraprofessional/Stark County Grade School
Start Date: 08/15/19
End Date: 11/15/21
Reason: Personal

TERMINATION

Ms. Shannon Pennington
Paraprofessional/Lyle
Start Date: 08/17/21
End Date: 10/15/21

RETIREMENT

Mr. Michael Kegebein
Custodian/ExCEL
Start Date: 07/01/10
Retire Date: 12/31/21

Roll call vote showed Brumbaugh, Sullens, Elliott, Kazubowski, Nordstrom, Gripp and Akers voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 7-0

HEALTH/LIFE/DENTAL/
VISION INSURANCE
RATES:

Motion by Nordstrom, seconded by Elliott to approve and recommend to the Governing Board approval of the revised rates for the district's Health/Dental/Life/Vision Insurance Plans for the policy year to run January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. The monthly rates are as follows:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance – Bronze Plan

Employee	\$648.15
Employee+Spouse	\$1,432.35
Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,313.87
Family	\$2,098.08

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance – Silver Plan

Employee	\$614.23
Employee+Spouse	\$1,357.39
Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,245.11
Family	\$1,988.27

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance – Gold Plan

Employee	\$712.52
Employee+Spouse	\$1,574.62
Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,444.37
Family	\$2,306.48

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance – Family Plan

Employee	\$556.86
Employee+Spouse	\$1,230.61
Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,128.82
Family	\$1,802.57

Humana Dental Traditional Preferred

Employee	\$39.12
Employee+Spouse	\$78.54
Employee+child(ren)	\$107.50
Family	\$107.50

Humana Vision 200 - EyeMed

Employee	\$13.38
Employee+Spouse	\$22.56
Employee+Child(ren)	\$23.01
Family	\$36.39

Humana Life Insurance - \$10,000 Face Value

Employee Only	\$1.10
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Roll call vote showed Sullens, Elliott, Kazubowski, Nordstrom, Gripp, Brumbaugh, and Akers voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 7-0

SCHOOL SOCIAL
WORKER SCHOLARSHIP
AND EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENTS FOR
BROOKE RENNICK

A motion by Brumbaugh, seconded by Sullens, to approve the presented School Social Worker Scholarship and Employment Agreement for Brooke Rennick. This agreement will be for a combined scholarship and employment program to pay the tuition/fees costs for the qualified individual to enroll in a graduate program for a school social worker and to provide employment for the individual upon program completion and state certification

Roll call vote showed Elliott, Kazubowski, Nordstrom, Gripp, Brumbaugh, Sullens, and Akers voting aye. No one voted nays.

Motion Carried 7-0

INFORMATION ITEMS:

The following items were presented for discussion and/or review:

1. FY22 Cash Flow
2. ExCEL Report – By Casey Miller, Principal

Student News

This holiday season the pack stands at 50 students. The school students will have the opportunity to enjoy a field trip on the 10th of December. Some of our STEP Program students will get the chance to job shadow multiple professions at the River Music Experience in downtown Davenport. The participants will get to explore the careers of audio engineering, talent booking, music education, and music marketing.

Staff News

Our program will be saying goodbye to one of our longest tenured members at the end of the month. Michael Kegebein will be retiring on December 31, 2021. We are in the process of finding his replacement to keep ExCEL up and running.

Building News

The social work team at ExCEL has created a “Giving Tree” program where our students have made Christmas wish lists and they have posted them on our Facebook page. In less than 3 hours, the entirety of our elementary floor’s wish list was purchased and donated to our students. This will allow us to make sure that every single student at ExCEL will have a gift to open for Christmas.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further items for discussion, a motion was made by Elliott and seconded by Kazubowski to adjourn. Time: 1:49 p.m.

Voice Vote - Motion Carried 7-0

Board Secretary