**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**OF THE**

**RESA-6 REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**RESA-6 Training Room**

**Wheeling, WV 26003**

**Thursday, May 11, 2017**

**9:00 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Michelle Chappell, Pamela Dudley, Shelby Haines, Michael Hince, Bill Jones, Sarah Koegler, Kathy Kidder, Kim Miller, Christie Robison, Toni Shute, Edward Toman**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Nick Zervos, Greg Minnich, Jim Wilson, Raquel McCloud**

**CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Ms. Shute.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Jones, with a second by Ms. Miller, the Board approved the minutes of the April 20, 2017 meeting**.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Medicaid Report (Handout) - On a motion by Ms. Kidder, with a second by Ms. Miller, the Board approved the April 1, 2017, Medicaid Report prepared by Ms. Wojcik in the aggregate amount of $791,860.20.**

**HB 2711 signed by Governor – Mr. Zervos informed the Board that HB 2711 has been signed by the Governor and that RESAs will be given until July 1, 2018 to transition into cooperatives.**

**Special Education Required Services, i.e., PBIS, CPI – A multitude of services which are required by policy or rule can be complied with by utilizing credentialed trainers. Examples of services are PBIS and CPI. If the State Department does not fund this Special Education components needed for region wide training, RESA-6 will have certified people in the Talent People to assist with compliance. Counties may also pool state funding utilizing the RESAs to do the required training.**

**Grant Collaboration/Pooling – Not knowing what the WVDE will do in regard to Grant Funding, RESA-6 is recommending pooling of funds if such funding is appropriated to the counties. This would allow for an Economy of Scale and return on investment similar to the shared services savings that has been practiced at RESA-6 for decades.**

**Discussion on Budget Issues/State Funding/State Government Shut Down? –The Legislature will meet in a special session commencing Monday, May 15, 2017 to try to establish a balanced budget. The balanced budget is required by WV Code. If for some reason a balanced budget is not reached by June 30, 2017 the Governor has the authority to shut down state government and furlough all state employees until the time a balanced budget is approved.**

**Discussion on Transition Next Year and RESA-6 Financing, Historical Review (Attachment A) – A lengthy discussion regarding the 2017 – 2018 transition of RESA-6 took place. Items discussed are found in Attachment A. Those items include State Allocations for operations, State Grant Funded Programs, Federal Grant Funded Programs and County Funded programs. In addition Mr. Minnich sent out a listing of all RESA personnel currently employed which includes a funding source for each.**

**Discussion on Itinerants – The Regional Council reaffirmed their commitment to shared services and to continue the employment and sharing of itinerants for the 2017 – 2018 school year. Mr. Zervos requested that he be informed of any additional needs or reductions in the itinerant program which currently exist.**

**New Superintendent Hancock County – Hancock County Board of Education approved a new Superintendent commencing July 1, 2017. The new Superintendent is Tim Woodward who currently serves as Superintendent of Calhoun County.**

**WVASA Report – Kathy Kidder – Ms. Kidder reported on the following:**

**1. The WVASA will be selecting new officers for the organization**

**2. Giving consideration to the new ESSA Guidelines**

**3. Making recommendations to Praxis cut scores so that there will be a level playing field**

**for the employment of teachers for WV schools**

**4. Setting up an advisory group which would be proactive in setting legislative goals prior**

**to the start of the 2018 legislative session.**

**AEPA Purchasing/Expanding (Sport’s Equipment, Transportation, Roofs, Custodial, Signage) – Mr. Zervos and Mr. Minnich informed the Board that the number of purchasing options have been increased by AEPA. Such items include sports equipment, including bleachers, tracks, etc., transportation needs, roofs, custodial equipment and signage. Mr. Minnich will be providing a list of vendors to each of the Superintendents.**

**RESA-6 General Fund Budget FY2018, Detail (Attachment B) –On a motion by Ms. Kidder, with a second by Ms. Miller, the RESA-6 General Fund Budget for FY2018 was approved.**

**RESA-6 FY2018 Budgets, All Programs (Attachment C) – On a motion by Ms. Kidder, with a second by Ms. Koegler, the RESA-6 FY2018 Budgets were approved.**

**Budget Supplements (Attachment D), (Handout)- On a motion by Mr. Jones, with a second by Ms. Haines, the Budget Supplements as provided by Mr. Minnich and outlined in Attachment D were approved.**

**Budget Status Report (Attachment E) - On a motion by Ms. Chappell, with a second by Ms. Kidder, the Budget Status Report as provided by Mr. Minnich and outlined in Attachment E was approved.**

**Checks Issued (Attachment F) - On a motion by Ms. Dudley, with a second by Mr. Toman, the RESA-6 Checks Issued as provided by Mr. Minnich and outlined in Attachment F were approved.**

**Set Planning Date for Superintendent’s Meeting – Mr. Zervos will be sending an email requesting a common planning date for Superintendents, Mr. Zervos and Mr. Minnich for planning the transition required in HB 2711.**

**Mr. Zervos’ Evaluation – On a motion by Ms. Chappell, with a second by Mr. Hince, the Board went into an executive session to review Mr. Zervos’ evaluation. On a motion by Ms. Chappell, with a second by Mr. Hince, they came out of executive session.**

**On a motion by Ms. Shute, with a second by Mr. Hince, Mr. Zervos’ evaluation was approved. The evaluation will be sent to Jason Butcher and Dr. Wilson for final approval. The evaluation was placed in Mr. Zervos’ personnel file.**

**Suicide Prevention (Attachment G) – Mr. Toman invited the Regional Council Members and other members of their staff to attend the Safe Talk Program scheduled for May 18, 2017. The workshop has 40 slots available. See attachment G.**

**PERSONNEL:**

**On a motion by Mr. Toman, with a second by Mr. Jones, the following was approved:**

**Resignation**

**Jonathan Pollock, Coordinator Curriculum and Instruction – April 28, 2017**

**Lydia Brodegard, Occupational Therapist, June 30, 2017**

**Retirement**

**Joseph Paolo, Special Education Director, June 30, 2017**

**Place Joseph Paolo in Talent Pool, July 1, 2017**

**Contracted Services**

**Marian Kajfez**

**OTHER CONCERNS:**

**WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REPORT:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**On a motion by Mr. Jones, with a second by Ms. Kidder, the meeting was adjourned.**

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**Co-Chairperson Executive Director/Secretary**

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