

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
OF THE
RESA-6 REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**RESA-6 Training Room
Wheeling, WV 26003**

**Thursday, December 11, 2014
5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Albright, Patsy Brancazio, Chad Haught, Shelby Haines, Michael Hince, Kathy Kidder Wilkerson, Linda Kirk, Beth Phillips, Suzan Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: Nick Zervos, Greg Minnich, Kim McConnaughy, Ronda Kouski, Joe Paolo

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mr. Albright.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a motion by Ms. Smith, with a second by Mr. Haught, the Board approved the November 13, 2014 minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Medicaid Report (Attachment A) - On a motion by Ms. Smith, with a second by Ms. Phillips, the Board approved the December 1, 2014 Medicaid Report prepared by Ms. Wojcik in the aggregate amount of \$ 1,537,247.53.

Update OEPA Visits – Upon completion of the OEPA team visits in RESA-6 counties, the Superintendents present expressed that the OEPA visit was a positive experience, the process was good and it provided an opportunity for self-reflection.

Further Discussion on Governor's Commission Report – Once again, there was a discussion regarding the Governor's commission on the education report. Each Board Member was advised to read the report closely and to comment online to the WVBE on any items that concerned them.

Winter e-Newsletter – Kim McConnaughy (Enclosure) – Mr. Zervos recognized Ms. McConnaughy and the Director's for the excellent winter e-newsletter. The e-newsletter contains a variety of trainings, events and issues that transpired over the last few months.

Conscious Discipline Discussion – Joe Paolo (Attachment B) - A summary of activity was reviewed since the initial professional development on October 23, 2014. The attached cost spreadsheet for a 3 year training for RESA 6 Pre-K – 2 classrooms that would be

conducted by Conscious Discipline was discussed. Dr. Hince requested that we determine position of the WVDE with regard to implementing Conscious Discipline, in light of, the WVDE's program – Early Childhood Positive Behavior and Support (ECPBS) and report back to the Regional Council.

Christmas Coat drive – Ronda Kouski – Ms. Kouski, Ms. Dei and Ms. Phillips orchestrated a very successful coat drive at RESA-6. Ms. Kouski reported that they had set a goal of 25 coats and doubled the number resulting with 50 coats being realized for students in RESA-6 counties. The coats purchased were financed by donations from RESA-6 staff and outside donation by Ms. Logue, retired Principal from Oak Glen High School. Finally Mr. Zervos commended the coat drive committee for their excellent project.

AEPA Purchasing – Greg Minnich (Attachment C) – Mr. Zervos reminded the Board that a large number of dollars can be saved by purchasing from the AEPA Program. As of December approximately 8 million dollars has been spent statewide through this cooperative. Mr. Minnich has a list of vendors available to anyone wishing to utilize approved vendors.

Supplements / Transfers (Attachment D) - On a motion by Ms. Haines, with a second by Ms. Phillips, the Supplements / Transfers as presented by Mr. Minnich and outlined in Attachment D were approved.

Budget Status Report (Attachment E) - On a motion by Ms. Phillips, with a second by Ms. Smith, the Budget Status Report as presented by Mr. Minnich and outlined in Attachment E were approved.

Checks Issued (Attachment F) - On a motion by Ms. Phillips, with a second by Mr. Haught, the RESA-6 Checks Issued as presented by Mr. Minnich and outlined in Attachment F were approved.

West Virginia Department of Education Agenda–12/10/14 (Attachment G)
The Board was provided with a copy of the WVBE agenda for 12/10/14.

Cubicle Heater Outlets and Miscellaneous Lighting (Attachment H) – Mr. Zervos has worked with ERB Electric to resolve electrical issues resulting from the use of portable heaters in the building. He is contracting with ERB Electric to install additional circuits and wiring to the building for the sum of \$7,880. See Attachment H.

State Commission Seeks to Redefine Roles of RESAs (Attachment I) - The Board was provided with a news article from the Charleston Daily Mail that reported the Commissions latest report and comments.

Medicaid – Vickie Mohnacky – State Medicaid Coordinator – Karen Wojcik reported that Ms. Mohnacky, the Statewide Medicaid Coordinator was retiring at the end of December. She has been a valuable asset to the RESAs in solving many problems and issues in her career regarding Medicaid. RESA-6 is most thankful for her assistance.

PERSONNEL:

On a motion by Ms. Smith, with a second by Ms. Phillips, the Board approved the following personnel items:

Employment

Terry Hartle – Speech/Language Pathologist - Talent Pool

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OTHER CONCERNS

Mr. Albright spoke highly of his new social worker, Jacquelyn Watkins, and reported that she is currently working with 50 students and providing valuable services to those in need.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Ms. Phillips, with a second by Mr. Brancazio, the meeting was adjourned.

Mr. Albright and Mr. Zervos wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Co-Chairperson

Executive Director/Secretary