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**SUPERINTENDENTS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
May 6, 2015**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jay Morrow, Ray Bergles, Sam Light, Chet Lien, Mike Oberhaus, Dave Deets, Tom Berg, Ron Jacobs, Shannon Bumann, Kyle Ganson, and Tammy Muerhoff (Ex-Officio)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Alan Boucher, Kristin Humphries, and Andy Richmond

BHASED STAFF: Mike Weger, Chris Goodson, Scott Petrie, and Joyce Utz

1. Preliminary

A. Call to Order

The Superintendents' Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by Chairman Kyle Ganson.

B. Approval of Minutes – April 1, 2015

Dr. Morrow made the motion to approve the April 1, 2015 minutes as presented. Mr. Bergles seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. Ayes: Dr. Morrow, Mr. Bergles, Dr. Light, Dr. Lien, Dr. Oberhaus, Mr. Deets, Mr. Berg, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Bumann, and Mr. Ganson. Nays: None.

2. Communication

No one requested an opportunity to address the SAC.

3. Reports

A. Reports from SAC Members

No reports were given at this time.

B. Report from BHASED Director

Dr. Weger reported the Deaf/Hard of Hearing Program will hold ESY on 7/20/15 thru 8/7/15. Also, the D/HH Program is possibly considering purchasing their own equipment. This could be problematic if the equipment doesn't align with BHASED equipment, not sure who will do maintenance (currently the BHASED audiologists do repairs) or if the equipment would have to be sent out, and this could also impact the tuition for the program.

Scott Petrie addressed the requirement for districts to expend GSA for special education services.

4. Blanket Motion

Mr. Bergles made the motion to blanket agenda items 5.A., B., C., 9, and 10. Mr. Berg seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call. Ayes: Dr. Morrow, Mr. Bergles, Dr. Light, Dr. Lien, Dr. Oberhaus, Mr. Deets, Mr. Berg, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Bumann, and Mr. Ganson. Nays: None.

5. Business/Finance

A. Recommendation to Approve Financial Statements – March 2015

B. Recommendation to Approve Bills – April 2015

9. Resolution Establishing Prevailing Wages

10. Infinitec – Despite a lower usage vote than expected this first year, we will recommend renewing our subscription to this rich/powerful resource for all educators for one more year with another user evaluation next Spring. We will offset some of these costs (~14,300.00) with reductions in other contractual services – both of which are paid for with IDEA in-service funds.

6. Executive Session

Mr. Jacobs made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss upcoming negotiations/compensation matters. Mr. Bergles seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. Ayes: Dr. Morrow, Mr. Bergles, Dr. Light, Dr. Lien, Dr. Oberhaus, Mr. Deets, Mr. Berg, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Bumann, and Mr. Ganson. Nays: None. The SAC went into Executive Session at 12:09 p.m.

Dr. Light left the SAC meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Dr. Oberhaus made the motion to return to Open Session. Dr. Morrow seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. The SAC returned to Open Session at 12:25 p.m.

7. Acceptance of Lighting Project Bid

Mr. Jacobs made the motion to accept the bid of \$102,573.00 from Rock River to install new lighting at the Black Hawk Area Education Center. Dr. Morrow seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. Ayes: Dr. Morrow, Mr. Bergles, Dr. Lien, Dr. Oberhaus, Mr. Deets, Mr. Berg, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Bumann, and Mr. Ganson. Nays: None.

8. Amended Budget

Scott Petrie reported the IDEIA amendments are due the end of May. Also, the final settlement agreement with Moline has been reached. BHASED has received the funds owed to them from Moline; the adjustment and approval of these funds has been done at the ISBE level.

11. Information/Discussion Only

A. SKIP Transition Update

Of the four non-Rock Island students currently attending SKIP, one of the parents does not wish to send their child to the Center next school year. BHASED is working with Rock Island to see if an alternative solution may be reached. All new placements for the SKIP program will be going to the Center beginning next school year.

B. BHASED Reserves

Scott Petrie explained the reserve fund at the ISBE that had been briefly discussed at a previous SAC meeting. This fund has accrued over numerous years from unspent grant monies. These monies have been used when shortfalls arise within the coop and were also used for start-up costs at the Center. This reserve was used to pay Moline for the monies owed to them upon their withdrawal from the coop. The balance of the reserves at this time is \$410,000; this represents less than 10% of the coop budget.

Dr. Oberhaus asked if the districts could have access to their share of the excess money. Mr. Petrie stated they could but must be aware of MOE issues. The SAC was also reminded this excess money has been used to avoid additional assessments from districts.

C. Articles of Joint Agreement

Dr. Weger reminded the SAC that each of their Boards must approve the ISBE required language change to our Articles of Joint Agreement and send proof of this action to BHASED (electronically) ASAP.

There being no further business, Mr. Bumann made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. The SAC was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mr. Kyle Ganson, Chairman

Dr. R. Michael Weger, Secretary