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**SUPERINTENDENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES  
January 6, 2021**

**Members Present:** Mr. Josh Temple, Mr. Eric Lawson, Mr. Joe Blessman, Dr. Carl Johnson, Mr. Scott McKissick, Dr. Kristin Humphries Dr. Rachel Savage, Dr. Terri VanDeWiele, Dr. Reginald Lawrence, Mr. Perry Miller, Dr. Jay Morrow Mr. Alan Boucher, and Ms. Tammy Muerhoff (ex-officio)

**Members Absent:** Mr. Scott Petrie, and Mr. Shannon Bumann

**BHASED Staff:** Ms. Christan Schrader, and Ms. Dawn Swanson

1. Call to Order: Mr. Blessman called the Superintendents' Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting to order at 12:00p.m. via Zoom online meeting. Roll call was taken.
2. Consent Calendar: Mr. McKissick made a blanket motion to approve agenda items 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3. Dr. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.
  - 2.1 Approval of minutes from December 4, 2020 meeting
  - 2.2 Approval of expenditures, December 2020
  - 2.3 Adopt the following updated and reviewed policies  
7:345 Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security  
2:220-E-9 Requirement for No Physical Presence of Quorum

3. Board Finance Department and Treasurer's Report

Ms. Swanson reported that BHASED's IMRF employer rate was lowered to 10.98%, this is down from the 2020 rate of 11.69%. Mass Mutual is transitioning to Empower for our 403(b) Plan. The Medicaid administrative claim quarterly financial submission will be with the new company, PCG claiming system. PCG replaced Fairbanks in October 2020.

Dr. Morrow made a motion to accept the Finance Department and Treasurer's Report. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

4. Director's Report

- A. Remote Learning Update: The Center and Phoenix return to our in-person hybrid schedule on Monday January 11, 2021. The Center has 103 in-person students and 35 full-remote students. Phoenix has 27 in-person students and 15 full remote students for the third quarter of the 2020-21 school year.
- B. BINAX COVID-19 Testing: BHASED has received its CLIA waiver. Med-Pro out of Naperville will be handling the Biohazard waste/disposal for \$43.99 per month. The waivers are prepared and our nurses are fully trained.
- C. Annual Needs Assessment: The annual BHASED Needs Assessment has been completed. Surveys were sent to all BHASED staff as well as to member districts to be forwarded and submitted.

The BHASED staff survey had 101 responses. Areas identified as needs were: psychologists, occupational therapists, and social workers. Training needs identified were: technology, behavior interventions, CPR/AED, IEP process, and progress monitoring. Suggestions for improvement were social skills and behavior intervention training and supports.

The member district survey had 291 responses. Areas of need were identified as: expanding placement options, psychologists, social workers, training for social-emotional and behavioral needs,

differentiation, and remote teaching strategies. These results were consistent with those in prior years.

BHASED has trained more than 200 people to date during the 2020-21 school year. We have at least 11 training topics and 14 additional trainings being offered this school year. All trainings are being held via Zoom and are being scheduled to accommodate district hybrid schedules.

- D. Positive Pathways Committee: Ms. Schrader reported that she was invited to participate on this statewide committee. The Committee was developed to discuss and plan special education services and programming coming out of the pandemic. The committee consists of directors of special education from across the state as well as Terri Engler, attorney, and Barbara Moore, ISBE Director of Special Education Department. Future meetings are planned and will continue with the goal to include state legislators and representatives.
5. Executive Session  
(5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Personnel to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or employees of the district. Mr. McKissick made a motion to enter into executive session Dr. Savage seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. The Committee entered into Executive Session at 12:22 p.m. The Committee returned to open session at 12:28 p.m. Roll call was taken.
6. Personnel Recommendations: There are no personnel recommendations at this time.
7. Freedom of Information Requests: There were no FOIA requests.
8. Forum/Other Matters:
9. Adjournment: There being no further business, Dr. Morrow made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully,

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Mr. Joe Blessman, Chairman

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Ms. Christan Schrader, Secretary