

SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT OF MCHENRY COUNTY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES April 17, 2024

The meeting was called to order on March 13th at 8:00am

Dr. Tafoya and Ms. Neiss were absent and excused.

Approval of Minutes: Board Member Parks motioned to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2024, Meeting. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Dr. Burns discussed the completion of the auditor report regarding the transfer of the RSSP fund balance to the McHenry County Regional Office of Education in the amount of \$384,761.97. Dr. Burns mentioned upon advice of the F.N.B.O. (bank) that a cashier's check was more recommended than a wire transfer. Dr. Burns mentioned that he dropped off the check on Tuesday 3-13-24.
- Dr. Burns discussed the recent Governing Board of Directors Meeting and that one part of the conversation focused on the 6 SEDOM owned classrooms in Huntley D158. Dr. Burns mentioned that the board could potentially operate with significant cost savings if it transferred operations to these rooms in 2034 and operated there until the end of the projected lease in 2049. Dr. Burns mentioned that it is likely that the rooms are still being utilized by H158 for storage while H158 has requested the yearly maintenance payment. The board directed Dr. Burns to begin conversations regarding a cessation of payment to H158 per the contract in exchange for SEDOM allowing H158 to fully utilize the 6 classrooms for storage.
- o Dr. Burns gave a summary of the recent IAASE Winter Conference.

New Business

- Dr. Burns discussed the relationship between SEDOM's evidence-based funding dollars (EBF) and the direct subsidizing of Audiology operations for the member district. Dr. Burns recommended reducing 85 days of Audiological Service to 60 Days while keeping the rates at \$75.00 per hour.
- Dr. Burns discussed the cancelation of the Illinois Purchase Care Review Board March Meeting and how this has impacted many private therapeutic day schools across the state and delayed the MENTA-Woodstock opening until 4-8-24.
- Dr. discussed the projected Holiday Schedule.
- Finance Item- Dr. Burns discussed the February Financial Reports, and the March Bills.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24a.m. The Next meeting of the Committee of the Whole will be held on Wednesday, April 17th at 8:00 a.m. in the SEDOM Board Room.