SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT OF MCHENRY COUNTY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

The meeting was called to order on 4-15-26 at 8:05 a.m.

Board Members White and Neiss were absent and excused

Approval of Minutes: Board Member Elswick motioned to approve the minutes of 3-18-2026, it was seconded by Board Member Millard. The motion carried.

Old Business

- Dr. Burns discussed that three of the four related service professional development providers were returning and that he was meeting with a potential speech pathologist-related service provider facilitator candidate and that only ISBE based CEU credit would be issued beginning next year. Dr. Burns discussed his plans for earning CPI training credentials and to which he would seek out local opportunities first. Dr. Burns discussed plans to provider maternity leave coverage for our audiologist. Dr. Burns discussed the current state of due process hearing officers and the upcoming special education directors conference which will be facilitated by ROE 4.

NEW Business

- Dr. Burns discussed recent bills that were being discussed in Springfield and how they could potentially impact the special education service delivery of districts. Dr. Burns discussed the potential FY 27 meeting calendar and discussed specific aspects about the Private Facility Contracts.
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Financial Reports: Dr. Burns discussed the recent and monthly financial activities and summary of the cooperative.

Disbursement List: Dr. Burns discussed recent expenditures and the current disbursement report.

Facilities- Dr. Burns discussed that the board may wish to consider an investment in a conference room that is under its direct control as opposed to the current shared conference room with MENTA.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 a.m.