SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT OF MCHENRY COUNTY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

The meeting was called to order on 5-20-26 at 8:00 a.m.

Board Members Elswick and Neiss were absent and excused

Approval of Minutes: Board Member Millard motioned to approve the minutes of 4-15-2026, it was seconded by Board Member Parks. The motion carried.

Old Business

- Dr. Burns discussed the plan for him to earn his CPI Training Certification by June to begin providing training by August. During the conversation the board directed Dr. Burns to eliminate any fees associated with the per-diem costs of the SEDOM employee providing the training. The only fees for this service will be the actual cost for CPI training materials.

NEW Business

- Dr. Burns discussed that Cheryl Grieshop will be leading our quarterly speech pathologist professional development group. Dr. Burns mentioned that public access to the building will remain by appointment only. Dr. Burns discussed the FY 27 draft budget that would be on display. Dr. Burns presented the FY 27 Executive Board Meeting dates. The board requested a change to the date of October 2026 meeting and for the meeting to be on October 21st. The approval motion would include this change to the dates presented. Dr. Burns presented a summary of the IAASE Wednesday Widom meeting with ISBE Director of Special Education Dr. Nakia Douglass and that the timeline for the Cyclical Monitoring Process was likely to change due to ISBE staffing issues and the need to prioritize districts with greater documented needs. Dr. Burns discussed the appointment of the treasurer, the adoption of the prevailing wage, his administrative contract extension, the annual audit preparations, the GLINT system, which is an alternative to the Boardmaker software system. Dr. Burns also discussed an increase in isolated timeout and restriction complaints and the status of the cooperative meeting Maintenance of Effort Requirements (MOE).

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 confirmed that no funding would be included in the budget for boardroom improvements.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.