

# **Minutes: May 2024 Board Meeting**

## **Rural Cass County Multi-District Special Education Unit**

The Rural Cass County Multi-District Special Education Board met at 8:30am on March 8th in Central Cass. Present were Mike Kolness, Jenna Farkas, Morgan Forness (board members); John Porter (Director), Melanie Moffet (Business Manager-zoom) Julie Almquist(Teacher Representative-zoom) and Linsey Holton(Teacher Representatives).

Agenda Additions: none

Announcements: none

Minutes:

Minutes for the March 13th, March 27<sup>th</sup> and Apr 19th meetings were presented for approval. Kolness/Farkas motioned to approve the minutes. All members voted in favor; motion passed.

Approval of Check Register:

Farkas/Kolness motioned to approve the check register for March and April. All members voted in favor; motion passed.

Financial Statement

Kolness/Farkas motioned to approve the financial report. All members voted in favor; motion passed.

Old Business:

New Business:

- a. **Staffing 2024-25**—Two spots left to fill for teaching. ESY is met too. “Steiner arrived”
- b. **SLPP contract approval**—Steiner/Kolness motioned to approve the contract for Norther Cass. All members voted in favor; motion passed.
- c. **Carrie contract approval**—Farkas/Kolness motioned to approve the contract for Carrie Nygaard in NC pending certification. All members voted in favor; motion passed.
- d. **PT contract discussion**- Farkas/Steiner motioned to approve another PT employed by SEEC that would eliminate OTPSI from Wahpeton and the 2 unites would share const. All members voted in favor; motion passed.
- e. **Discretionary grant teacher retention/recruitment**-\$10,000 grant towards teachers in training
- f. **Budget/assessments**- John gave report
- g. **Solution Academy**-Farkas/Steiner motioned to hire Behavior Tech with SEEC with NDPERS and single health insurance. All members voted in favor; motion passed.
- h. **Tina National ASHA travel request**-Steiner/Kolness motioned to approve registration and hotel as professional development for 2024-25 and airline and meals \$1,350 approved by board with receipts. All members voted in favor ;motion passed.
- i. **Levels of Determination**-All meet requirement

Morgan Forness, Vice President

Melanie Moffet, Business Manager