

**Northeast Educational Services Cooperative
Board of Directors Meeting
December 21, 2009**

The Board of Directors for the Northeast Educational Services Cooperative (NESC) met in regular session on Monday, December 21, 2009 at Pizza Ranch, Watertown, SD. The meeting was called to order by President T.Kleinjan at 12:30 P.M. and adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

Members present: G.Johnson, Arlington; R.Gresh, Britton-Hecla; B.Little, Castlewood; J.Guest, Clark; N.Koehlmoos, DeSmet; C.Knutson, Deubrook; P.Witte, Deuel; L.Mennenga, Estelline; S.Morrison, Florence; L.Larson, Grant-Deuel; P.Roe, Hamlin; G.Fish, Henry; M.Pearson, Rosholt; T.Kleinjan, Sioux Valley; C.Berger, Waubay; M.Comes, Waverly/So.Shore; K.Meland, Webster; J.Michalski, Willow Lake; D.Lutkemeier, Wilmot.

Absent: T.Bauer, Elkton; J.Bearhill, Enemy Swim; M.Fast, Iroquois; B.Nelson, Lake Preston; C.Quale, Summit.

Others Attending: Advisory Board Representative: K.Keenaghan; NESC Staff Representative: J.Holm; J.Aberle, Director; R.Zinter, Assistant Director; L.Olsen, Assistant Business Manager; C.DeWitt, Business Manager.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

Agenda

Action #7835 Motion by D.Lutkemeier, second by L.Larson, to approve the agenda with the following additions: Discussion / Action Items #9 Declare 2000 Dodge Stratus surplus property, #10 Unfair Labor Practice update; Executive Session personnel, eliminate litigation. All present voting yes, motion carried.

Board Proceedings

Action #7836 Motion by M.Pearson, second by G.Fish, to approve the proceedings of the November 16, 2009, Board of Directors meeting as published. All present voting yes, motion carried.

Accounts Payables

Action #7837 Motion by R.Gresh, second C.Knutson, to approve payment of the December 2009 accounts payables as presented with the stipulation that payment to SD Federal Property Agency in the amount of \$9,800 will be contingent upon reclassification from bus to 5 passenger van with wheelchair lift. All present voting yes, motion carried.

Financial Report

Action #7838 Motion by D.Lutkemeier, second by J.Guest, to approve the financial reports for the period ending 11/30/09. All present voting yes, motion carried.

General Funds: Cash Balance 10/31/09 \$1,446,625.88; Accounts Receivables \$2,904.68; Revenue: Reading Recovery Assessments \$5,704.80, Special Education Assessments \$242,561.92, Center Base Tuition 111,982.81, Extended School Year Tuition 11,706.95; Interest \$5,103.49, Federal Part C Funds \$4,019.60; Expenditures: (\$317,954.33); Cash Balance 11/30/09 \$1,512,655.80.

Special Revenue Funds: Cash Balance 10/31/09 (\$46,776.06); Accounts Receivables \$2,350.00; ESA-1 Professional Development \$2,750.00, ESA-1 Membership Assessments \$3,563.84, State/Federal Grants \$44,965.00; Expenditures: (\$34,902.62); Cash Balance 11/30/09 (\$28,049.84).

Imprest / Trust & Agency: Cash Balance 10/31/09 \$5,365.80; Receipts \$2,103.72; Expenses: (\$2,439.87); Cash Balance 11/30/09 \$5,029.65.

Advisory Board Meeting

The Advisory Board met December 2, 2009. Informational and discussion items included the following:

- Center Base Locations 2010/2011 School Year
- Comprehensive Plan Update
- NESC By-Law Proposed Changes
- Child Count Information
- November 18, 2009 Board Workshop Evaluations
- Physical Therapist Contract
- Van Purchase

Board of Directors' Steering Committee Meeting

President Kleinjan scheduled a steering committee meeting to be held on January 18, 2010 to discuss negotiations and proposed By-Law changes. The meeting will begin at 6:00 P.M.

NESC Board Workshop

A NESC Board Workshop was held on November 18, 2009 at LATI, Watertown, SD. A summary of participant evaluations was distributed.

Director and Business Manager Evaluations

Evaluation forms for the Director and the Business Manager were distributed to the Board of Directors. The evaluations are to be completed and mailed to Vice President Lutkemeier on or before January 8, 2010. The evaluations will be reviewed at the January 18, 2010 Board of Directors meeting.

Surplus Property

Action #7839 Motion by G.Johnson, second by P.Roe, to declare a 2000 Dodge Stratus, s/n 1B3EJ46C2YN227377, surplus property and to authorize disposition to Continental Western Group Insurance. All present voting yes, motion carried.

Unfair Labor Practice Update

Director Aberle informed the Board of Directors that the Circuit Court of SD, Sixth Judicial Circuit, has issued its ruling regarding case #09-322: Northeast Educational Services Cooperative Education Association, Unit 1; versus the Northeast Educational Services Cooperative and Board of Directors. The Court has determined that the Department of Labor did not err in determining that the Cooperative/ Board did not commit an unfair labor practice, the Cooperative did not engage in regressive bargaining, and that the Cooperative / Board negotiated in good faith.

Executive Session

Action #7840 Motion by C.Berger, second by L.Mennenga, to enter executive session at 1:08 P.M. to discuss personnel matters. All present voting yes, motion carried.

President Kleinjan declared the Board out of executive session at 1:14 P.M. and resumed regular session.

Meeting Adjourned

Action #7841 There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, motion by C.Knutson, second by N.Koehlmoos to adjourn. All present voting yes, motion carried.

The next meeting of the NESC Board of Directors will be Monday, January 18, 2010 at LATI, Watertown, SD. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Thomas Kleinjan, President

Cheryl DeWitt, Business Manager