

Minutes
Wilbur D. Mills Education Service Cooperative
Board of Directors' Meeting
Wednesday, October 27, 2021
10:30 a.m.
WDMESC PD Center
Beebe, Arkansas

Present: Ms. Cathy Tanner; Augusta, Mrs. Gipson; Bald Knob, Dr. Duff; Beebe, Mrs. Patti Stevens; Bradford, Dr. Tony Thurman; Cabot, Dr. Sherrell; Des Arc, Donnie Boothe; Hazen, Dr. Owoh; Jacksonville North Pulaski, Dr. White; McCrory, David Rolland; Pangburn, Mr. Stan Stratton; Riverview, Mr. Blackwell; Rose Bud, Dean Stanley; White County Central

Guests: Mike Simmons and Janet Clarke DESE Division of Transportation

- I. Call to order: Brad Horn at 10:32
- II. Approve the **Minutes** of the regular meeting held on September 15, 2021
Motion: Mr. Blackwell
Second: Dr. Owoh
Vote: 13-0
- III. Approve the **Financial Report** for period 3 up to September 30, 2021
Motion: Mr. Boothe
Second: Mr. Stratton
Vote: 13-0
- IV. Personnel
 - a. Recommendation for **Cooperative Specialist Stipend \$1000.00 per employee**
Motion: Mr. Stanley
Second: Dr. White
Vote: 13-0
 - b. **Early Childhood Paraprofessional New Hire Recommendation** to hire Taylor Keathley as an Early Childhood Paraprofessional. Contract begins October 27, 2021. Will pay Ms. Keathley an hourly rate beginning Oct. 11, 2021 through October 26, 2021. Pay hourly rate equals \$131.57 per day.
Motion: Dr. White
Second: Ms. Tanner
Vote: 13-0
 - c. **Salary Increase Proposal \$500 pay increase to be paid in November for all Co-op employees to be paid from each employee's respective budget and added to contract for 22/23**
Motion: Dr. Owoh
Second: Mr. Rolland
Vote: 13-0
- V. Business

- a. **KAMI Software Purchase for the Cabot School District. Subscription begins October 2021 for one year. Invoice - \$22,500.00**

Motion: Dr. White

Second: Mr. Stanley

Vote: 13-0

- b. **DESE Technology Grant Approve the plan for the expenditure of the grant of \$150,000.00**

Motion: Mr. Stratton

Second: Dr. Owoh

Vote: 13-0

- c. **Approve the DESE purchase for Edfect - \$296, 985. Grant provided by DESE for the entire expenditure.**

Motion: Dr. White

Second: Mr. Blackwell

Vote: 13-0

- VI. **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion: Mr. Statton

Second: Dr. Owoh

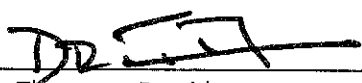
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Work Session

- I. CTE Travel Pay - The consensus of the superintendents was for the Wilbur Mills Perkins Consortium not to pay for travel for teachers and students in CTE.
- II. **Vector Bus Driver Training Curriculum** - option for training bus drivers
- III. **TCC Report** - review and discussion
- IV. **Comm Memo** - review and discussion

Presentation

- I. Mike Simmons and Janet Clarke led a discussion on the newly required (February 2022) – **Transportation and Bus Driver Training**



Dr. Thurman, President



David Rolland, Secretary