

Education Service Center Region 12 Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, April 18, 2024–10 A. M. 2101 W. Loop 340, Waco, TX 76712

The Board of Directors of the Education Service Center Region 12 met at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2024.

**Board Members Present:** 

Bill Killian Kerry Hansen Kevin Stanford Alexis Neumann Rose Cameron **Board Members Absent:** 

Rex Daniels John Turpin Mike McKibben

**Staff Members Present:** 

Kenny Berry Larry Robinson Terry Marak Tara Dillard **Staff Members Absent:** 

Tammy Becker Patrick Murphy

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Killian.

## Discuss and Consider Approval of Minutes for February 15, 2024 Meeting

There were no corrections to the minutes of the February 15, 2024 meeting and were approved unanimously by the Board.

**MOTION: Hansen SECOND: Cameron** 

# Discuss and Consider Approval of Financial Reports

Mr. Terry Marak discussed the monthly financial reports, which included the bills paid as of January 31, 2024 and February 29, 2024, the board report as of February 29, 2024, the interest earnings, and cash flow reports. The board unanimously approved all financial reports as submitted.

MOTION: Stanford SECOND: Cameron

## Discuss and Consider Approval of Mid-Year Budget Amendment

Mr. Marak presented a mid-year amended budget by fund type and function for fiscal year ending August 31, 2024. The board unanimously approved the mid-year budget amendment.

MOTION: Cameron SECOND: Hansen

### Discuss and Consider Approval of Purchase of Texas Instruments Calculators for over \$50,000 for the GEAR UP Grant

Mr. Marak explained that ESC Region 12 is requesting permission to purchase Texas Instrument calculators from EAI Education for the next class of GEAR UP grant students. The purchase will be made through the Region 7 Purchasing Cooperative for approximately \$231,228.94. The board unanimously approved the purchase of Texas Instruments calculators from EAI Education.

MOTION: Stanford SECOND: Hansen

# Discuss and Consider Approval of Request of Purchase of Service from Summit K12 for District Literacy Services over \$50,000

The Education Service Center Region 12 purchases a service for an English Language Proficiency Program to assist school districts in closing the English language and academic vocabulary gap between ELL students and non-ELL students. Based on information obtained, the ESC 12 management requests that the ESC Region 12 Board of Directors approve the purchase of the English Language Proficiency program from Summit K12. The Board unanimously approved the purchase of service from Summit K12.

**MOTION:** Cameron **SECOND:** Stanford

# Discuss and Consider Approval of Upgrade for Network Operations Server Equipment and Software for over \$50,000

The Education Service Center Region 12 requested quotes for an upgrade of the network operations server equipment. This will allow us to upgrade our virtual server network and renew our backup software for a period of three years. Based on the information received, the ESC 12 management requests that the Board approve the leasing of the network operations server equipment/software from SHI using the TIPS purchasing cooperative. The Board unanimously approved the upgrade for Network Operations Server equipment and software.

MOTION: Hansen SECOND: Stanford

## Discuss and Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Regarding Technical Assistance for College and Career Readiness

A select few Falls County Districts have applied for a Rural Pathways Excellence Partnership (RPEP) grant. These districts have formed the Falls County Rural Collaborative (FCRC). This grant will broaden the range and depth of quality college and career pathways for students that will lead to postsecondary readiness for college and/or the workforce.

ESC Region 12 will serve as the Coordinating Entity (CE) and will provide technical assistance that ensures all students at the districts are able to benefit from the resources of the grant. ESC Region 12 management recommends the Board approve the MOU regarding providing technical assistance for college and career pathways. The Board unanimously approved the request.

**MOTION:** Cameron **SECOND:** Hansen

### Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas School Law Bulletin (Article 551.001)

The Board along with Mr. Kenny Berry, and Mr. Larry Robinson went into Executive Session at 11:00 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter. The Executive Session ended at 11:10 a.m. with no action taken.

#### Receive Personnel Report

Larry Robinson reviewed the Personnel Report with the Board.



Personnel Report February 02, 2024 thru DATE April 01, 2024 Sorted alphabetically by department

Date	Name	Position	Department/Division
New Employee	es		P a. mong Bertolen
04/02/2024	Kenny Berry	Executive Services	Executive Services
03/04/2024	Niki Edwards	Regional Assistant Superintendent of Talent	Strategic Leadership Services
Interns			
Employee Cha	nges		
Termination (1	esignation, retirement, dism	issal, etc.)	
03/28/2024	Suzanne Murdough	Education Specialist	Federal Programs
			4-24/HR

#### Receive Informational Report

Mr. Kenny Berry updated the board on his first two weeks on the job. He shared that he has attended Superintendent Forum, Superintendent Leadership Academy, CCRS, and his first staff meeting. He is currently meeting with each ESC 12 department individually and scheduling appointments to meet with Superintendents.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

**MOTION:** Cameron **SECOND:** Stanford

Bill Killian, Chairman

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