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## BOARD BRIEFS

March 26, 2010

The March meeting of the C.A.S.E. Board of Directors was held on Friday, March 26, 2010, at C.A.S.E.

The Board approved the following items:

- Minutes of the February 19, 2010 Regular Session;
- March Accounts Payable and Payrolls;
- Estimated April Accounts Payable and Payrolls;
- Resignation of Frank Sampey;
- One-Year Renewal of the Lease for Space for C.A.S.E. Itinerant Services Office;
- Revision of the 2009-10 C.A.S.E. Calendar to eliminate the 5 emergency days;
- The 2010-2011 C.A.S.E. Calendar;
- One-Year Renewal of the Infinitec membership;
- Resolution for Dismissal and Non-Renewal of Employment of Educational Support Staff;
- Resolution for Non-Renewal of Contracts of Part-Time Certified Staff;
- Resolution for Non-Renewal of Contracts for First, Second, and Third Year Certified Staff;
- Resolution for Dismissal of Fourth Year Certified Staff;
- Draft 2 – FY 2010-2011 C.A.S.E. Budget;
- .3 Percent Increase in PPO Health Insurance Rate;

### ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, DISCUSSION, AND/OR FUTURE BOARD APPROVAL

Ms. Peceniak advised that the DuPage/West Cook Governing Board took action to purchase appropriate library books for nine buildings that house vision and hearing programs at a cost of \$9,000 to be divided equally by the 92 member districts. Ms. Peceniak stated that the cost for C.A.S.E. member districts would come from the IDEA grant.

Regarding special education prevalence, Ms. Peceniak advised that the percentage of students receiving special education in Illinois was 14.8 percent for the 2008-09 school year. The national percentage for the 2007-08 school year was 11.5 percent. She indicated that a Funding Task Force has been created and a report will be sent to Board Members along with her summary of what needs to be addressed.

Dr. Riebock and Mr. Nelson reported the results of a meeting with Septran regarding the use of Versatran software for special education transportation. In light of opposing opinions, it was the consensus of the Board that Ms. Peceniak ask Septran to provide the timeline necessary to complete changes to billing and payroll procedures as well as implement use of Versatran. This report will be provided at a later date.

A closed session was held for the purpose of appointment, employment or dismissal of an employee.

As a result of closed session, the Board voted to ratify the suspension, without pay, of a Program Assistant pending further investigation.

Also as a result of closed session, the Board voted to appoint Tamara Prentiss as C.A.S.E. Assistant Director effective July 1, 2010.

A special meeting of the C.A.S.E. Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at C.A.S.E. Recipients of this notice may request more information on any of these topics by calling C.A.S.E. at 630-942-5600.



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