



McDowell-Mercer-Monroe-Raleigh-Summers-Wyoming

RESA-I Regional Council Meeting

MINUTES

RESA-I Office

Beckley, West Virginia

September 19, 2008

ATTENDANCE:

Regional Council Members Present

Deborah Akers, Superintendent, Mercer County
Gilbert E. Bailey, Board Member, Mercer County
David Ballard, Board Member, Summers County
Sarah Brown, Chief Instructional Leader, Summers County
J. Michael Callaway, Board Member, McDowell County
Florisha Christian-McGuire, Principal, Iaeger High School
Suzette Cook, Superintendent, McDowell County
Lyn Guy, Superintendent, Monroe County
Vickie Hinerman, Superintendent, Summers County
Stanley Hopkins, West Virginia Department of Education
Charlotte Hutchens, Superintendent, Raleigh County
William O'Brien, Concord University
Ed Pell, Board Member, Monroe County
Sandra Pell, Teacher, Mountain View Elementary & Middle School
Mike Prichard, Board Member, Wyoming County
Patricia Waddell, Board Member, Raleigh County

Regional Council Members Not Present

Frank L. Blackwell, Superintendent, Wyoming County
Tom Blevins, Bluefield State College

RESA-I Staff Present

Keith Butcher, Executive Director, RESA-I
LaDawn Mitchem, Executive Secretary, RESA-I
Jamie Bailey, Medicaid Specialist, RESA-I
David Brooks, Treasure, Raleigh County
Susan Barnes, Director of Special Education, RESA-I
Kerri Richmond, Coordinator, Mathematics Science Partnership, RESA-I

Guests

James McGrady, Assistant Superintendent, Wyoming County Schools
Dr. Gregory F. Aloia, President and Professor, Concord University
Dr. Leonard Allen, Senior Consultant for TeachFirst

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Dr. Deborah Akers, Superintendent, Mercer County Schools

Guest Speakers:

Dr. Gregory F. Aloia, President and Professor, Concord University, presented to the Regional Council a brief introduction of himself and an overview of his goals for Concord University.

Dr. Leonard Allen, Senior Consultant for TeachFirst, provided the Regional Council a brochure. TeachFirst works with districts to implement professional learning that results in sustained improvement in teaching effectiveness and student learning. TeachFirst achieves results by establishing and supporting school-based collaborative learning communities through state-of-the-art trainings, video models and research-based instructional strategies, full-time consultants, and online resources.

Reports:

Financial Report Update: The council received the financial reports for August 2008 and the Annual Report 2007-2008 prior to the meeting. David Brooks, Treasurer, Raleigh County Schools and Keith Butcher, Executive Director, RESA-I were available for for discussion or to answer any questions.

Medicaid Report Update: Keith Butcher presented the council with the Medicaid Transmittal and reimbursement report. Jamie Bailey, Medicaid Specialist, RESA-I was available for discussion or to answer any questions.

State Department Report: Dr. Stan Hopkins, West Virginia Department of Education, presented the council with the agenda from the State Board Meeting held on September 10-11, 2008 and was available for discussion or to answer any questions. Dr. Hopkins discussed current State Board policies currently on comment as well as current State Board and Department of Education initiatives.

Employee Status Reports: The employee status reports were mailed to the council prior to the meeting. There were no question and no discussion concerning the status reports.

RESA-I Executive Director's Report September 19, 2008:

Regional Council Meeting Schedule

The following 2008-2009 meeting schedule has been approved by the Regional Council.

October 10, 2008	Teleconference	3:00 pm
November 14, 2008	RESA-I	10:00 am
December	No Meeting Scheduled	
January 9, 2009	Teleconference	3:00 pm
February 13, 2009	RESA-I	10:00 am
March 20, 2009	RESA-I	10:00 am
April 10, 2009	RESA-I	10:00 am
May, 8, 2009	Teleconference	3:00 pm
June 12, 2009	RESA-I	10:00 am

Professional Development Activities

The CPD **New Teacher Café'** session schedule for RESA-I and RESA-IV has been announced. All sessions begin at 9:00 am and conclude at 3:00 pm.

Date	Location	Topic
October 18, 2008	RESA-I	Classroom Management
November 1, 2008	RESA-I	Co-Teaching and Standards-Based Instruction
December 13, 2008	RESA-I	Framework for Teaching
February 28, 2009	RESA-I	Thinkfinity

1. The **RESA-I Leadership Series** training for school and county administrators will be held on October 21, 2008, at the Beckley Raleigh Convention Center. Sessions include:
 - o Legal Issues for School Administrators, Howard Seufer
 - o Classroom Assessment for Student Learning, Lisa Youell
 - o What Administrators Need to Know About Lexiles, Beckey Deringe
 - o Leadership for Advancing Adolescent Literacy, Terry Reale
 - o 21st Century Parent Involvement, Betsy Peterson
2. A packet of materials from the August 22nd **RESA-I Professional Development Day** for Arts, Physical Education, and Drivers Education teachers was provided for Council review.

Global Recruitment, LLC

Global Recruitment, a Virginia based company, was created to bring teachers from other countries to the United States in order to meet school system needs in the areas of special education, mathematics, and science. A packet of information was provided to each county.

Personnel Evaluation

The State Board of Education has revised the personnel evaluation form. A copy of the form used last year and the new documents are provided for your review. The revised form will be used by the Executive Director for employee evaluations during the current year.

Information:

Keith Butch presented to the council a brief overview of the revised RESA-I Website and the RESA-I 2007-2008 Annual Report.

Action:

1. Motion by Dave Ballard and seconded by Lyn Guy to approve the minutes for August 8, 2008. Motion passed. August Minutes were approved.
2. Motion by Lyn Guy and seconded by Michael Callaway to accept the Monthly Financial Reports for August 2008. Motion passed. Monthly Financial Reports were accepted.
3. Motion by Ed Pell and seconded by Dr. Bill O'Brien to accept the Annual Financial Report for 2007-2008. Motion passed. Annual Financial Report accepted.
4. Motion by Patricia Waddell and seconded by Dave Ballard to approve the Out-of-State travel request for Keith Butcher. Motion passed. Travel approved.

5. Motion by Lyn Guy and seconded by Charlotte Hutchens the Regional Council meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the RESA-I Regional Council will be held on October 10, 2008 at 3:00 pm via a Video Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed and on file at RESA-I office 10-13-2008

Keith Butcher, Executive Director
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Date