

**COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Conference Call Meeting
Minutes**

**August 19, 2015
3:00 p.m.**

(Approved October 31, 2015)

1.0 Call to Order

President Jim Heiden called to order the regular meeting of the Council for Exceptional Children Board of Directors at 3:01 p.m. EDT.

2.0 Record of Attendance; Determination of Quorum

Board Secretary Alexander Graham called the roll. A quorum of the following Directors was present:

Jim Heiden
Robin Brewer
Antonis Katsiyannis
Sharon Raimondi
Joni Baldwin
Jennifer Britton
Yvonne Bui
Jannis Floyd
Annette Gaitan
John Hess
Jane Quenneville
Scott Sparks
George Van Horn
Phyllis Wolfram

Directors not present: Lauren Delisio, Laural Jackson, Debbie Metcalf, Claudia Rinaldi, Ed Schultz, Anne Sloboda

3.0 Adoption of Board Business Meeting Agenda

MOTION: Antonis Katsiyannis moved to adopt the agenda. John Hess seconded.

Motion carried.

4.0 Consent Agenda

MOTION: Joni Baldwin moved to adopt the consent agenda. Jane Quenneville seconded.

Motion carried.

5.0 Bylaws Workgroup Extension

MOTION: John Hess moved to reinstate the Bylaws Workgroup (John Hess [Chair], Joni Baldwin, Loral Jackson, Alex Graham [Ex Officio], Sharon Rodriguez [Staff Liaison]) to consider additional amendments to the Bylaws based on member input received regarding the amendments presented to the Board in April 2015, reexamine the Bylaws to identify any additional elements which are actually policies and should be incorporated into CEC's Policy Manual;
Further moved, that the Workgroup will revise the Policy Manual to eliminate redundancies between it and the Bylaws and bring it up-to-date with current policies and procedures.
Further moved, that the Workgroup present a revised draft Policy Manual to the Board for approval;
Further moved, that the Workgroup submit interim reports to the Board for its October 31- November 1, 2015 and February 6-7, 2016 (tentative) meetings;
Further moved, that the Workgroup will terminate upon approval of proposed Bylaws by the Board of Directors, or approval of the revised Policy Manual, whichever occurs later, but not to extend beyond July 31, 2016; and
Further moved, that operation of the Workgroup be conducted by email and conference calls (and other free online platforms). Any associated costs are to be charged to the Executive Services Governance budget (account #110).
Antonis Katsiyannis seconded.

Motion carried.

6.0 June Financials

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Treasurer Sharon Raimondi and Interim CFO Ruby Aggarwal provided an update on CEC's finances, including final June financials.

6.2 Revised 2015 Budget

MOTION: **Scott Sparks moved to** adopt the revised 2015 budget submitted, as recommended by the Finance and Audit Standing Committee. Jannis Floyd seconded.

Motion carried.

7.0 New Business

There was no new business.

8.0 Executive Session

The Board did not go into Executive Session.

9.0 For the Good of the Order and Adjournment

In response to an inquiry, Executive Director Alex Graham indicated there was no new information regarding the status of the Division of International Special Education and Services.

John Hess mentioned the recent Principals Workshops in California, led by David Bateman, had approximately 170 attendees.

Without objection, President Heiden adjourned the meeting at 3:29 pm EDT.