Paul Bunyan Education Cooperative Board of Delegates MINUTES Friday, April 4, 2014 12:00 pm WESB Room 308

The Paul Bunyan Education Cooperative (PBEC) Board of Delegates met on Friday, April 4, 2014 at 12:00 pm at the PBEC Conference Room in the Washington Educational Services Building (WESB), Brainerd, MN. Mike Erholtz served as chair.

Present: Garny Gaffey, Mike Erholtz, Tom Burman, Tom Haglin, Don Gaalswyk, Jamie Skjevland, Chuck Arns, Steve Razidlo, Chris Lindholm, Bob Sandin, Cathy Bettino, Heidi Hahn and Kim Huether.

Absent: Bernie Novak.

Meeting was called to order at 12:10 pm

Introductions were held.

Moved and seconded approval of the Agenda. Carried.

District Highlights: Members shared highlights from their districts including: student success stories, teacher awards, strategic planning, learning and teaching models, and multi-tiered support systems.

Program Evaluation Review: Heidi Hahn presented a program evaluation review with handout which covered several areas including: enrollment trends; percent of special education students in regards to total population, disability areas and special education settings; special education expenditures per ADM and percent of total budget; paraprofessionals; graduation and dropout rates; and percent of children birth-3 being served, settings, service delivery and outcomes of early childhood.

New Business: Discussion was held regarding a bill in the legislature entitled The Paperwork Reduction Bill. Steve Razidlo submitted a draft of a letter addressed to state policy makers voicing concern regarding the burdensome due process requirements that takes time away from teaching students and is potentially making it difficult to hire qualified candidates. A motion was made and seconded authorizing superintendents and Heidi Hahn to re-draft this letter to send to legislators. Motion carried. Heidi Hahn would like to share the final draft with the regional group.

Next Meeting Date: A motion was made and seconded to hold meetings each year in November and April. Motion carried. The next meeting date will be Friday, November 14, 2014, noon – 1:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm

Kim Huether, Secretary

Handouts:

- Minutes from November 1, 2013
- Program Evaluation Packet