



*Approved June 29, 2020*

## **[Virtual] Executive Committee Meeting**

**June 2, 2020**

**Members present:** Jamie Alsleben, Bernie Burnham, Michelle Dennard, Ryan Fiereck, Jodi Hansen, Rodney Rowe, Denise Specht, Wendy Drugge

**Members absent:** Greta Callahan

**Staff attending:** David Aron, Sara Gjerdrum, Allison LaBree, Carrie Lucking, Jessica Schmidt

**Guests:**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Denise Specht at 4:03 p.m.

**Roll Call:** As noted above.

**Approve agenda:**

**M-1** Moved using unanimous consent, without objection, to approve of the agenda as presented with the addition of the agenda item, Hoekman Case Update.

**Approve minutes:**

**M-2** Moved using unanimous consent, without objection to approve the following minutes as presented:

- April 15, 2020 Virtual Meeting Minutes
- May 29, 2020 Email Vote Minutes

**Unfinished business:** None.

**New business:**

**Organizing for Settlement Funds:**

**M-3** Moved using unanimous consent, without objection to approve the Organizing for Settlement fund grants as presented.

1. Approval of a grant in the amount of \$3,402.04 (80% of \$4,252.55 allowable expenses) to Grand Rapids Educational Support Professionals, Local 4850 for unusual negotiation expenses.
2. Approval of a grant in the amount of \$2,357.82 (80% of \$2,947.27 allowable expenses) to Maple River Education Association for unusual negotiation expenses.

3. **Approval of a grant in the amount of \$10,597.81 (80% of \$13,247.26 allowable expenses) to Luverne Education Association for unusual negotiation expenses.**

**PAC Committee Appointment:**

- M-4 Moved using unanimous consent, without objection to appoint Stephen Cade to the Education Minnesota PAC Board, Election District J.**

**Local Rebate**

Due to cancelled surrounding COVID-19, Education Minnesota has calculated significant savings in budgeted activities and programs of anticipated spending resulting in an end of the fiscal year surplus. President Specht informed the committee about the plan to rebate funds back to the locals a COVID grant in anticipation around re-opening or costs incurred by COVID. The amounts would be set up on a sliding scale according to the number of members for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

- M-5 Moved using unanimous consent, without objection to establish stimulus relief grants from recognized savings in the budget, due to cancelled member events caused by CoVid.**

**CEU's for non-members**

Over 20,000 members have requested a CEU. The committee discussed non-members who are requesting access to the CEU's and potential variations of membership that may be able to accommodate these current non-members. No action was taken

**Hoekman Case Update**

**At 3:47 p.m., using unanimous consent, without objection, the committee moved into Executive Session.**

**At 4:15 p.m., using unanimous consent, without objection, the committee rose from executive session.**

**Statement about Bob Kroll**

MN AFL-CIO released a statement condemning Bob Kroll, asking for his removal/resignation. Education Minnesota staff are working on a statement of similar nature.

- M-6 Moved using unanimous consent, without objection to a move forward with a letter/statement on behalf of Education Minnesota against Bob Kroll.**

**Re-open Task Force**

A group of members are gathering together to see what re-opening schools looks like and how we move forward and address inequities and fill the gaps that were highlighted during COVID. We would like to include that in the upcoming budget and think about what that would look like.

- M-7 Moved using unanimous consent, without objection to a move forward with and included ReOpening Schools committee in the 2020-21 budget.**

**Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.