MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD  
A.E.R.O. SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE  
HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2018  
A.E.R.O. BOARD ROOM

Andrea Mesko, A.E.R.O. Executive Secretary served as Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by President Cindy McSweeney at 7:03 p.m.

President McSweeney announced that Mary Cook, District 220 had volunteered to act as Secretary Pro Tem.

**Roll Call:**
Present: R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231

Absent: R. Almendarez, 109; J. Egan, 124; D. Anderson, 217

Administrators Present: James W. Gunnell, Executive Director

Others: none

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**Recognition of Public:** No members of the public were present.

**Approval of Agenda Motion:** It was moved by Ms. Saunders and seconded by Ms. Zofkie to approve the agenda.

**Roll Call Vote:**
Ayes: R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231

Nays: None

Motion Carried.
Closed Session

It was moved by Ms. Zofkie, seconded by Ms. Garcia that the Governing Board go into closed session at 7:06 p.m. under Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Cooperative, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity.

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Reconvene Meeting

It was moved by Ms. Zofkie, seconded by Ms. Cook to reconvene the meeting from Closed Session at 7:16 p.m.

Roll Call Vote
Ayes: R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231
Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Following Closed Session

Roll Call:
Present: R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231
Absent: R. Almendarez, 109; J. Egan, 124; D. Anderson, 217
Administrators Present: James W. Gunnell, Executive Director
Others: none
### Resolution of Dismissal Motion

The resolution was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Ms. Saunders that the Board approve Resolution of Dismissal And Non-Renewal of Employment of First Year Teacher Jane Sinisi from A.E.R.O.

**Roll Call Vote**  
**Ayes:** R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231  
**Nays:** None  
Motion Carried.

### Resolution of Dismissal Motion

The resolution was moved by Ms. Garcia, seconded by Ms. Zokfie that the Board approve Resolution for Dismissal and Non-Renewal of Employment of First, Second, or Third-Year Probationary Teacher Sarah Kattalia from A.E.R.O.

**Previous Roll Call Vote**  
**Ayes:** R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231  
**Nays:** None  
Motion Carried.

### Resolution of Dismissal Motion

The resolution was moved by Ms. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Sears that the Board approve Resolution Honorably Dismissing Educational Support Personnel Cindy Mayer, Katherine McClory, Randy Schmitz, Kelly Deal, Margaret Burns, Tammy Glass, Lindsay Sullivan, Margaret Ewell, Ken Scanlan, Kristin Hickey, and Katherine Kovanich from A.E.R.O.

**Previous Roll Call Vote**  
**Ayes:** R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231  
**Nays:** None  
Motion Carried.
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Other Matters of Concern/Interest to the Board  

Non-Action Items  

Governing Board  
2018-2019 Meeting Schedule  
Dr. Gunnell stated that traditionally the regularly scheduled A.E.R.O. Governing Board Meetings are held on the third Monday of every other month. He wanted Board Members to discuss next year’s meeting schedule to determine if they need to change the bimonthly dates. Due to a recent change in date for Argo School District 217’s monthly school board meetings, School District 217 has not had representation at this year’s A.E.R.O. Governing Board meetings. Dr. Gunnell asked Board Members about how the traditional schedule was working for them and whether there was a need to move the regularly scheduled Board meetings to the second or fourth Monday of every other month.  

One Board Member reported that she would in fact have a conflict with using the second Monday as an alternative. Dr. Gunnell mentioned that one Member District had appointed a rotating representative for one year to ensure that one of their School Board Members was at A.E.R.O. Board meetings.  

Adjournment  

It was moved by Ms. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Sears that the Governing Board adjourn the meeting.  

Voice Vote:  
All Ayes:  
R. Garcia, 104; C. McSweeney, 108; J. Sears, 110; T Saunders, 111; J. Reising, 122; M. Cook, 220; T. Burke, 229; M. Zokfie, 231  

Nays:  
None  
Motion Carried.  

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.  

Andrea Mesko, Recording Secretary  

President: [Signature]  
Cindy McSweeney  
Date  

Secretary: [Signature]  
Ruben Almendarez  
Date