CANNON VALLEY SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE (CVSEC)

Independent School District 6094-52

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 4:00 PM, CVSEC District Office
200 Western Avenue NW
Faribault, MN 55021

Board Members Present: Amberg, Butler, Mohs, Robicheau
Board Members Absent:
Staff Members Present: Bente Champa, Korolewski, McGuire, Olson, Ristau, Washa

1) **Call to Order/Adoption of Agenda:**

Motion to Call the Meeting to Order and Approve the Agenda: Butler
Second: Amberg

AYE: All
NAY: None

The meeting was opened at 4:01 PM.

2) **Consent Agenda:**

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda: Robicheau
Second: Mohs

AYE: All
NAY: None

A) *Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on 09/22/2026*
B) *Approval of Claims*
C) *Staff Updates*
(1) New Hires:
Bauer, Raelyn - EA in SUN, Base 1 - Effective 09/28/2026
Flintrop, Samantha - EA in SUN, Base 1 - Effective 10/05/2026
Garza, April - EA in ALEX, Base 1 - Effective 10/12/2026
Nelson, Kara - District-wide EA Health Assistant, Base 1 - Effective 09/28/2026
Pryor, Ashley - EA in ALEX, Base 1 - Effective 10/12/2026
Tratz, Michael - EA in STEP, Base 1 - Effective 09/28/2026
(2) Transfers:
(3) Resignations, Retirements, and Terminations:
Clausen, Jennifer - Special Education Teacher in SUN - Effective 10/02/2026
Nelson, Kara - District-wide EA Health Assistant - Effective 10/08/2026

Pryor, Ashley - EA in ALEX - Effective 10/19/2026
(4) Leaves of Absence:
Ellis, Shelbi - Effective 08/17/2026
(5) Other:

3) **Public Input:** There was no Public Input.

4) **Reports and Communication:**

A) *Executive Director's and Enrollment Reports*
CVSEC currently has 110 students enrolled with one student on the referral list. There are more students that will be referred soon. Administration is concerned about capacity, especially at this time in the school year. This could create difficult decisions going forward. The SUN program has already taken over one STEP classroom this year due to the increased enrollment. Facility exploration is underway. McGuire will report back to member districts in December.

STEP students are training as Ambassadors for Respect and will present to 4th grade classrooms in member districts this year. Some STEP students are also participating in a driver's education course.

CVSEC's special education programming is under comprehensive monitoring by the Minnesota Department of Education for the 2026-27 school year. Staff interview surveys are underway across all required sample groups, including special education teachers, general education teachers, related service providers, administrators, and educational assistants.

B) *ALEX Coordinator Report*
ALEX has 34 students. Two students are currently transitioning back to home districts. Families are looking for residential placements in states other than MN since the MN facilities are full. Families are reaching out to staff and MHPs for assistance. The ALEX elementary program is experiencing excessive student challenges and staff are working together to find solutions. Korolewski highlighted student successes, including taking field trips and students who are learning to self-advocate.

5) **Old Business:** There was no Old Business.

6) **New Business:**

A) *Accept Donation of School Supplies from St. Vincent De Paul – Action, Roll Call*

B) Motion to Accept Donation of School Supplies from St. Vincent De Paul: Amberg
Second: Robicheau

Amberg: Aye

Butler: Aye
Mohs: Aye
Robicheau: Aye

The motion passed 4-0

7) **Other:** There was no Other Business.

8) **Comments: Board/Director**: There were no comments.

9) **Next Meeting Date:** November 24, 2026 at 4:00 PM at 200 Western Ave NW Faribault, MN 55021

10) **Adjournment:**

Motion to Adjourn: Mohs
Second: Butler

AYE: All
NAY: None

The meeting adjourned at 4:21 PM.

APPROVED BY:_____ DATE: ___11/24/2026_____

Jerry Robicheau, Board Secretary