



San Juan Board of Cooperative Educational Services

Meeting: San Juan BOCES Board of Directors
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Date: Monday, September 14, 2009
Location: Silverton School Library

Minutes

I. OPENING OF MEETING

In attendance:

Pagosa - Mark DeVoti, Superintendent
Ken Fox, Board Member
Durango - Keith Owen, Superintendent
Jeff Schell, Board Member
Bayfield - Dean Hill, Superintendent
Barbara Wickman, Board Member
Ignacio - Ed McCaw, Board Member
Chris Ribera, Board Member
Silverton - Kim White, Superintendent
George Foster, Board Member
San Juan BOCES - Randy Boyer, Executive Director
Bill Esterbrook, Professional Development
Paula Sublett, Director of Business Services
Steve Otter, Career Tech Education, RSA

- A. Call to Order, Establish Quorum-Barbara Wickman, President
Called to order at 5:54 pm
- B. Approve Agenda
Motion to approve, Jeff Schell; second, Ken Fox; passed unanimously
- C. Approve Minutes from June 1, 2009
Motion to approve, Jeff Schell; second George Foster; passed unanimously
- D. Call to Audience for Public Participation
There was no audience participation

II. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Executive Director's Report
 - 1. Recommendation of Shannon Belson, School Psychologist, for Pagosa Springs

2. Recommendation of Warren Hall, SWAP Specialist
3. C-FIRS Title III Audit
Accountability is ramping up considerably. Colorado Federal Integrated System. CDE is coming for an onsite review: Durango, Ignacio, and Pagosa. Randy will be coordinating with District Lead person to meet with these folks. They would like a parent group, teacher group, and director group to be interviewed. They will look at several of our plans. They want to see if we are using research-based strategies around English Language Learners. Not a large amount of money but lots of accountability. The above districts will be asked to answer seven indicator questions. There is an opportunity to demonstrate that you are in compliance after the visit. Each of the districts will have to go online to assist in the audit process. Durango was contacted and will be having a full-blown audit of these types of funds. Training is available at the end of September for Title Specialists of any of the districts that are involved.
4. ARRA (Stimulus Plan)
Application is included in your packet. We stated that we would accomplish 6 objectives over 2 years. This is all about students with IEPs. We have letter of substantial approval. It was made clear that this is strictly for these students. We are working on answering their questions and Randy feels confident that we will succeed in meeting the requirements. Randy wanted to emphasize that when we go to the districts and ask them to implement these objectives we may see some resistance to the additional workload. It is imperative that the program has Administrator support. Keith and Mark both feel that they understand the outcomes necessary and the importance of this project. They also reiterated that this is what we need to be doing. Bayfield asking what do we need to do when? Paula responded that the next step will be to create an onsite meeting with the players in that school. What is due by October 10th? Submission of staff salaries that have been incurred to date (approximately 1 month's salary).
5. SAC and Board Dates for 2009-2010 (Refresher)
Reminder and review of dates
6. Southwest Colorado Community College
Ribbon cutting and opening ceremonies have occurred and both East and West campuses are running. Key personnel will be Lynn Urban, Dean of East Campus, Shannon South, Dean of West Campus, Jill Carithers, PSEO (Con-current enrollment specialist). New facility, at a cost of over \$1 million. District personnel serving on the advisory committee of the Community College are Bev Lyons, Ignacio High School Principal, and Priscilla Huston, Assistant Superintendent, Durango. We are speaking to the District 9-R Board about the Community College. I would encourage the school boards to invite SCCC representatives to their meetings. We will have them attend SAC meetings in the near future. We are moving forward with the discussion around building in Three Springs.

7. Student Achievement Update - Bill Esterbrook
 - a. Bill discussed student achievement and how to use this information to get people working together, to improve student achievement.
 - b. PLC Professional Learning Communities
 - (1) What should all students know and be able to do and understand?
 - (2) How will we know if students are learning?
 - (3) How will we react when we discover that students are not leaning or when students are excelling?
 - c. RTI- Response to Intervention
 - (1) Data teams –utilize PLC correctly
 - (2) Collect accurate and relevant data
 - (3) RTI team members know the content, grade-level knowledge and skills expectations
 - (4) Collaborative inquiry
 - (5) Evidence-based intervention
 - (6) Fidelity to interventions
 - (7) Progress monitoring process that shows if what we are doing is working
 - (8) Accurate documentation
 - d. Induction
 - (1) Role of supervisor Principal Mentor
 - (2) Data driven instruction
 - (a) Actual cohort growth tables
Student growth by CSAP scaled score
 - (b) Item maps
BOCES-wide common needs
 - (i) District
 - (ii) School
 - (iii) Groups of students
 - (c) Body of evidence reports
Reading, Writing, Math in the content area
Example from Durango High School

B. Business Director's Report - Paula Sublett

1. Financial Statements through August 31, 2009
Financial statements are included in your packets. Not much to demonstrate thus far. Expenses are mostly start-up salaries and annual insurance premiums.
2. Audit Process for Fiscal Year End 2009
Audit is moving along, onsite review is complete. Draft should be ready for review shortly. After Paula reviews and ties to ADE submission, it will be ready to finalize. Paula will prepare the Management Discussion and Analysis Report to be included with the audit. Julia Stone, from Bondi, will present at the November 9 Board Meeting.

C. RSA/CTE Update - Steve Otter

1. Perkins

The Perkins Budget has been approved for our consortium. Total amount, \$67,879. The individual districts will begin their spending now.

2. Business and Education Talent Readiness Project (BETR)

RSA is working with local businesses to open for "Tuesday Tours". Tuesday Tours will occur 6 times through out the school year. Local businesses will open their doors to our middle and high school teachers and administrators and offer tours. The tours and discussion will be targeted towards helping schools understand the economies of our area as well as connecting what is being learned in our schools to employment and careers after school. School personnel will receive continue ed. credit for attending.

3. Career Pathway Training

The RSA is working with SCCC to develop the Career Pathways model. After completing the community college portion of the pathways model we will bring them to the individual districts so they can coordinate their graduation requirements and CTE courses to provide a "road map" for our students based on their interests.

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approve Recommendation of Shannon Belson, School Psychologist
- B. Approve Recommendation to hire Warren Hall, SWAP Specialist
- C. Approve Financial Statements through August 31, 2009

Jeff Schell made a motion to approve all three items. Motion was seconded by Ken Fox and passed unanimously.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Next Board Meeting: Monday, November 9, 5:30 p.m., Ignacio
Next SAC Meeting (Joint SW & SJ BOCES): Wednesday, September 23rd,
9:00 a.m., Kennebec Cafe

George Foster is at the end of his 8-year tenure with the Silverton School Board.

Jeff Schell suggested that we add some low-land photos for the RSA website, to better represent the entire region.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.