

Meeting: San Juan BOCES Board of Directors Meeting
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Date: Wednesday, December 14, 2016
Location: Durango Public Library
Call-in instructions:
Conference Number: 1-800-832-0736
Room access code: 4687336 (dial *4687336#)

Minutes

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- A. Call to Order, Establish Quorum
Meeting was called to order at 5:29
In Attendance:
Jack Schuenemeyer- Cortez Board Member
Nancy Stubbs- Durango Board Member
Kelly McCaw- Ignacio Board Member
Boe Hawkins- Mancos Board Member
Brooks Lindner- Archuleta Board Member (Call In)
Adrea Bogle- San Juan BOCES, Executive Director
Steve Otter- San Juan BOCES, Director, Innovation and Collaboration
Paula Sublett- San Juan BOCES, Business Services Director
Lisa Reimers- San Juan BOCES, Executive Administrative Assistant
Marcy Lawrence- Durango School District 9R, Director of ESS
- B. Approve Agenda
• Boe Hawkins, Mancos, made a motion to approve the agenda. Kelly McCaw, Ignacio, seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Approve Minutes from November 16, 2016
• Kelly McCaw, Ignacio, made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 16th Board Meeting.
Nancy Stubbs, Durango, seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. Call to Audience for Public Participation
• There was no audience participation

II. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Board Member Reports/Requests/District Updates
• Pagosa reported on the progress of the charter school application that has been in the review process this year. The application has been approved with conditions and the district is currently undergoing 90 day negotiations with the charter school group.
• Ignacio reported that their board appreciated the presentation from Cindy Erickson at their last meeting. The district is looking forward to the Take 10 grant being implemented in each of their schools, including the high school.
• Mancos reported that they are scheduled to meet with the Board of Education regarding applying for Innovative Status for the district. The district is also in the process of applying for two grants with applications due before break.
• Cortez commented on the results of their district wide state testing and thoughts on the application for Innovative Status.
• Durango commented on the strategies that they are implementing surrounding state testing that encourages an increase in student participation.
- B. ESS Spotlight - School Social Workers- Adrea Bogle
• Presentation by School Social Workers Sarah Schreiber and Erica McCaulden, who described the work they do with schools, families and students.
- C. Innovation and Collaboration Spotlight - Data Strategist- Steve Otter
• Presentation by Matt Klausmeier, the Data Strategist for BOCES, who discussed the work that he does with providing student and school data to BOCES member districts.
- D. Revised Budget for FY 2017- Paula Sublett
• Paula Presented the revised budget, noting changes made from the preliminary budget based on allocations being received and adjustments made.

- E. Financial Statements through November 30th, 2016- Paula Sublett
- Paula presented Financial Statements through the end of November, including balance sheets.
- F. New Hires- Adrea Bogle
- Christian Sanders, Social Work, West Districts- 1.0 FTE
 - Laura Dimond, SLP, Pagosa- .5 FTE
 - Deborah Zamora, Ed Interpreter Para, Bayfield- 1.0 FTE
 - Merran Owen, Take 10 Grant Admin Assistant- 40 hours/month for 3 months
- G. Administrative Unit Separation Appeal- Adrea Bogle
- Discussion regarding appeal process regulations, which state that an appeal can only be made if there is evidence suggesting that CDE didn't follow the proper procedure in the decision making process, or there was lack of information. The BOCES legal counsel determined that there are most likely no grounds for appeal. The board unanimously agreed to not appeal. Jack initiated a formal motion be made stating the board's position to not appeal the CDE's decision.
- H. Budget Staffing Projections for FY 2018- Adrea Bogle
- Discussion with Superintendents took place at the SAC meeting earlier in the day about priorities with the services BOCES provides to districts. There is a projected increase in services for the 17-18 school year, as BOCES would like to add a Behavioral Health Coordinator position to work with schools around crisis prevention and intervention training, as well as provide assistance with case management to help address mental health and behavior concerns within our member districts. The position would also serve as a liaison with AXIS Mental Health and Human Services and be added support to our School Social Workers and Psychologists. BOCES will also be developing a Crisis Response team, which will add support and training for districts. Some departments have had FTE confirmed for the 17-18 school year. Once October Count numbers are released, a projected budget can be solidified and presented to the Board. We expect to have this ready for the February board meeting. Adrea has also been meeting with department chairs individually to discuss staff who may be interested in applying in Durango.
- I. Executive Director's Report- Adrea Bogle
- Crisis Prevention Update
 - There have been several CPI trainings this school year per district request. Looking at regional trainings around suicide prevention and crisis management.
 - Salary Table Committee
 - Salary table committee has been created, and members are looking at a variety of models to use as samples. The committee welcomes the sharing of any creative models that are being used within districts.
 - AU Determination and December Count
 - Each year BOCES receives a state determination on Indicator Compliance. BOCES met expectations on compliance for the 15-16 school year. One of the indicators examines disproportionality, which includes an analysis of total population related to identified disability. This will be an indicator is an area of focus moving forward, to ensure that we remain in compliance.
 - Twice Exceptional Training
 - The BOCES Gifted Education department will be conducting a two day training provided to school and BOCES staff. This training will focus on interventions for students who have a disability and are also exceptional.
 - Multi-Tiered Systems of Support
 - Durango and Bayfield were awarded the individual grants, and BOCES was awarded a grant to support the remaining member districts. This is a systems level grant that will help districts build a model of effective methods for connecting and implementing initiatives. There will be training in Denver in January, and members from each of our districts will attend.
- J. Innovation and Collaboration- Steve Otter
- Grant updates/Separation impacts
 - Take 10 Grant- 24 month project that originally included all districts. 9R elected not to be a part of the grant, which allowed for the expansion of grant funds into High Schools and the ability to purchase adaptive equipment and supports for students with disabilities.
 - Colorado Right 4 Rural Grant- Implemented and managed through the Gifted Education department
 - Math and Science Partnership Grant- has been applied for along with the Montezuma Cortez School District. If awarded, this grant will focus on recruitment and retention for math and science teachers.
 - CEI- Accelerator II grant. Group will travel to Denver for planning meeting.
 - El Pomar- second phase of writing this grant, with the focus of funding being for the Growing Together Summit.
 - Perkins Funding- Administered through BOCES for Ignacio, Bayfield, Pagosa and Durango. Discussion will continue to take place around Durango applying separately in the next year.
 - eSchool updates
 - A request for reconsideration letter has been sent to CDE regarding the Improvement Status that the eSchool has received.

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approve Revised Budget
- B. Accept Financial Statements through November 30th
- C. Approve New Hires
 - Boe Hawkins, Mancos, made a motion to approve an Opportunity of Consent for Actions Items A-C. Kelly McCaw, Ignacio, seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. AU Separation Appeal Decision- The board makes a formal motion not to appeal the decision made by CDE regarding the separation of Durango 9R into an independent AU.
 - Boe Hawkins, Mancos, made a motion to approve Action Item D as a separate motion. Brooks Lindner, Archuleta, seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with Durango abstaining.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Superintendent Retreat, January 19-20, Southern Ute Cultural Center
- Next SAC Meeting, February 15, 2017 from 12:00-4:30 in Durango
- Next San Juan BOCES Board Meeting, February 15, 2017, 5:30pm-7:30pm, Durango Public Library- Dinner served at 5:00pm

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm