



SAN JUAN BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Meeting: San Juan BOCES/Southwest BOCS
Joint Board of Directors Meeting
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Date: Monday, February 8, 2010
Location: Kennebec Café, Hesperus, CO

Minutes

I. OPENING OF MEETING

In attendance:

Pagosa - Mark DeVoti, Superintendent
Ken Fox, BOCES Board Member
Durango - Priscilla Huston, Assistant Superintendent
Jeff Schell – BOCES Board Member
Bayfield - Dean Hill, Superintendent
Barb Wickman, BOCES Board Member
Ignacio - Juvie Jones, Superintendent
Chris Ribera, BOCES Board Member
Silverton - Kim White, Superintendent
Cliff Pohlman, BOCES Board Member
San Juan BOCES - Randy Boyer, Executive Director
Paula Sublett, Director of Business Services
Steve Otter, Career Tech Education, RSA

A. Call to Order, Establish Quorum, Barbara Wickman, President, 7:10 pm

Archuleta - present
Bayfield - present
Ignacio - present
Durango - present
Silverton - present

B. Approve Agenda – Approved

C. Approve Minutes from November 9, 2009

Motion to approve, Jeff Schell; second Ken Fox; unanimously approved by members in attendance at that meeting. (Note: Silverton was not in attendance of that meeting.)

D. Call to Audience for Public Participation

There was no audience participation.

II. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Executive Directors Report

1. Southwest and San Juan BOCES merger questions and discussion items:
 - a. How do you see the day to day operation occurring?
 - b. Concerns over how we might be spread thin.
 - c. Will the Executive Director be able to continue to be half-time Special Education Director with 4 additional districts?
Randy will continue to function as full-time Executive Director and full-time Exceptional Student Services Director, after the merger. All districts will continue to receive full special education support. Compliance duties are currently being handled by School Psychs in SJBOCES. Anticipate that model continuing with all districts after the merger.
 - d. What additional political clout will we receive from this?
By being a BOCES of 9 districts and 13,000 students there will be a larger voice at the state level than current smaller, separate entities.
 - e. Funds to support professional development as well as student data management.
Use current reserve levels, over and above a 2-3 month operating level, to support professional development NISL training and NWEA in all districts.
 - f. What are the combined reserves associated with the BOCES?
Currently, SJBOCES has a 2-3 month operating reserve while SWBOCS has less.
 - g. Will the facilitation process address merger details?
The facilitation will include merger action steps and processes.
2. Recommendation of Jenny Wrenn, Contract Grant Writer.
Paula will email the resume for Jenny Wrenn to Board Members when she receives it.
3. Acceptance of Resignation of Kathi Fischer.
4. MOU with Discovery Museum
Discussion, no questions.

B. Director of Business Services Report

1. Financial Statements, including Balance Sheets, through January 31, 2010.
Things to note:
 - a. Communications- ERATE awaiting this funding- Take 60% out, to bring it in alignment.
 - b. Advertising overage - Purchased Child Find ad that represents that cost. It was necessary as we have a compliance obligation to connect to our community. This communication must be more that just through our school outreach.
 - c. Grant Writer – Contract to support expanding School Based Health Centers (SBHC) and other initiatives.
2. ARRA Funding Update -
We received \$308,000 and \$11,000 ARRA dollars for salaries and expenses through January, 2010, with the exception of 1.0 FTE Special Ed Teacher. Still waiting for final approval of non-salaried (AT equipment).

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Act on Recommendation to Approve SW/SJ BOCES Merger
Deferred.

- B. Act on Recommendation to Approve Jenny Wrenn, Contract Grant Writer
- C. Act on Acceptance of the Resignation of Kathi Fischer.
- D. Act on Acceptance of Discovery Museum MOU.
- E. Act on Approval of Financial Statements, including balance sheets, through January 31, 2010.

Motion to Approve-B through E, Ken Fox
Motion seconded, Jeff Schell.
Motion passed unanimously.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Next SAC Meeting: Wednesday, February 24, 9:30 a.m., Durango 9-R Conf. Room
March 15th is set for the facilitated meeting with BOCES merger.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn, Jeff Schell
Motion seconded, Chris Ribera
Approved unanimously.

Time adjourned: 8:20 pm