

Ute Pass B.O.C.E.S. Board Minutes
April 18, 2017

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting – April 18, 2017

BOARD MEETING CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was held as a conference call this month. The meeting was called to order at 4:31p.m. by Gwynne Dawdy. The following members were present on the conference call: Gwynne Dawdy, Tana Rice and Sonya Teigen.

Also in attendance: Jed Bowman, Brian Gustafson, Kendal Kelly, and Marcy Palmer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Dawdy to approve the meeting agenda for April 18, 2017

Second: Rice

Discussion: None

MOTION CARRIED; Voting Aye Dawdy, Rice, Teigen

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION: Dawdy to approve Consent Items including meeting minutes from January 17, 2017

Second: Rice

Discussion: None

MOTION CARRIED; Voting Aye Dawdy, Rice, Teigen

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

None

INFORMATION ITEMS/DISCUSSION

Director's Evaluation Process – Gwynne said she would reach out to all board members and the superintendents to start the evaluation process for Marcy. She indicated they would offer Marcy a 2017-18 employment contract and would like her to return next school year.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DETERMINATION (handout)

Using the newly released matrix, our Administrative Unit has been determined to "Needs Assistance." The new accountability measures are 75% on Compliance measures and 25% on Results measures. We performed well in all but 3 areas. Our record review for Transition-focused IEP's were not 100% compliant according to OSEP's requirements. This is mainly due to a procedural error by not correcting the entire sample of IEP's prior to uploading them into the state system. We have remedied this by training our staff and reviewers to ensure all IEP's are 100% compliant as they are being finalized, so that next year the selected IEP's will already meet compliance indicators.

In the results portion, our students taking the alternate state assessment were not in the higher levels of proficiency. To improve outcomes, we will bring together our SSN teachers to collaborate on best practices for teaching our SSN students.

We also are fine-tuning the new Indicator 14 process, which requires us to contact students one year following their exit from our system and document their involvement in educational programs or competitive employment. Many were difficult to reach, so we will be contacting other known associates for information on the students.

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HIGH COST

Kendal collected vast amounts of information to submit for 21 students within our BOCES whose services exceed \$40,000 outside of our AU, and \$25,000 within our schools. (17 students in WP; 3 students in MSSD; 1 student in CCV)

The state will review each AU's submission and notify us of any reimbursements in June. If received in time, Tim will revise the budget in June to allow these funds to flow through.

MEDICAID

Traci Woofter, our Medicaid Coordinator, has had incredible results in increasing our funds for each district. Each district will be receiving more than expected as a "lump-sum" Cost Settlement this spring. These amounts are additional funds distributed to each district, above and beyond the monthly payments.

CCV- \$30,657.14; MSSD- \$46,374.65; WP- \$118,493.38

STAFFING UPDATE

We are retaining all of our staff (so far!) within our BOCES and in Manitou. Cripple Creek-Victor has posted and hired for a teacher at Cresson. We have 6 openings in Woodland Park (2 SSN, 2 Autism, 2 MS Mild/moderate)

TRAININGS

Non-Violent Crisis Intervention- 3 of our 6 trainers have renewed their recertification with enhanced content. We will be offering trainings both in June and August teaching the newly enhanced content. Three other trainers will take the enhanced training at the end of June so that we are all trained in the new content.

We are in the process of designing and scheduling our August trainings for special education staff prior to the start of school.

Adric Arndt, Student Services Director for Woodland Park, has arranged for training for our law enforcement professionals in dealing with people with disabilities on May 10th. There will be 2 sessions in Woodland Park and one in Cripple Creek.

SPECIAL EDUCATION GENERALIST WORKGROUP

Our group is moving forward with the work to define the appropriate content for teachers who may want to add the Generalist Endorsement, but are not able to enroll in a traditional or alternative licensure program. Our next meeting is May 22nd.

GIFTED EDUCATION

Gifted providers are improving their identification and service options with new and innovative strategies and activities.

We are also submitting the annual universal screening grant so that we can assess all 2nd and 6th graders. All students scoring above the 95th percentile, are referred for evaluation for gifted services. A body of evidence is collected to determine if the student meets the criteria as gifted or the talent pool. Our providers then assist students in a variety of extension activities and services designed for their areas of high performance.

OTHER

Next board meeting: **June 15, 2017 at 5:30pm**

Agenda items will include Director's Evaluation, Employment Contracts, Budget Approval, and signatures are needed on the annual CDE Assurances form.

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ADJOURN

MOTION: Dawdy to adjourn meeting at 5:15p.m.

Second: Rice

Discussion: None

MOTION CARRIED; Voting Aye Dawdy, Rice, Teigen

Attest:

Secretary, Ute Pass B.O.C.E.S. Board of Education

President, Ute Pass B.O.C.E.S. Board of Education