

**Rio Blanco Board of  
Cooperative Educational Services  
Minutes  
August 20, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Board, Kurt Blunt at 6:58 p.m.

Members Present: Kurt Blunt, Marnell Bradfield, Mindy Burke, Bill deVergie, Kurt Douglas  
Joyce Key, Leslie Nielsen, Sam Tolley and Annette Webber.

Board Members Absent: Tom Allen, Bud Ridings, Todd Shults

Others Present: Teresa Schott, Brad Bauer, Kris Denny, Chris Selle, Matt Scoggins, Tami Dorris

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Mindy Burke to accept the agenda as presented.  
Second by Annette Webber

ROLL CALL VOTE

For: Blunt, Bradfield, Burke, deVergie, Douglas, Key, Nielsen, Tolley, Webber  
Absent: Allen, Ridings, Shults

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Joyce Key to approve the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the May 2015 meeting, Warrants and Finance Report, New Hires: Kelsey Harvey, Rangely Preschool and Nicole LeBlanc- Meeker School Nurse, Rebecca Brennan Bauer-Meeker Preschool , Resignations: Beth Wiley, Meeker Preschool

Second by: Mindy Burke

ROLL CALL VOTE

For: Blunt, Bradfield, Burke, deVergie, Douglas, Key, Nielsen, Tolley, Webber  
Absent: Allen, Ridings, Shults

**PUBLIC INPUT**

N/A

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**2015-2016 Final Budget**

Ms. Schott explained the narrative and the overview of the budget for each of the member districts. The only change was to the Meeker District regarding Medicaid funds. The BOCES took over the Medicaid program over a year ago. Medicaid funds were not immediately transferred to the BOCES and were still being deposited into Meeker accounts. Jessica Fortunato and Janelle Urista are working to get the funds transferred to the BOCES, therefor these funds will offset the increase displayed in the Meeker member district costs.

Motion by Mindy Burke to approve the 2015-2016 final budget.  
Seconded by: Annette Webber

ROLL CALL VOTE

For: Blunt, Bradfield, Burke, deVergie, Douglas, Key, Nielsen, Tolley, Webber  
Absent: Allen, Ridings, Shults

**Procurement Polices**

Ms. Schott explained the purpose of the policy is to clarify Federal requirements and procedures for the procurement of supplies and other expendable property, equipment, real property and other services with Federal funds. These standards are furnished to ensure that such materials and services are obtained in an effective manner and in compliance with the provisions of applicable Federal statues and executive orders.

**Motion by Joyce Key to approve the Procurement Polices as presented**

**Seconded by: Leslie Nielsen**

ROLL CALL VOTE

For: Blunt, Bradfield, Burke, deVergie, Douglas, Key, Nielsen, Tolley, Webber

Absent: Allen, Ridings, Shults

**BOCES UPDATES**

**Mission Statement:** Ms. Schott discussed a new Mission Statement. The statement was at least 10 years old and we felt as though this needed some updating. The board would like feedback from the staff but felt like the new statement was relevant to what we are doing.

**Upgrade to Policies:** Mr. Bauer is reviewing and updating the BOCES policies. Core samples were provided and suggested by Dale McCall from Colorado BOCES Association. Mr. Bauer will be editing the policies so that they are concurrent to our organization and to ensure that we are following current guidelines that are recommended and or required by law.

**Programs:** Ms. Schott went over the programs that the BOCES currently offer. Special Education, Preschool, Child find, Transition, SWAP, Induction, Professional Development, Gifted and Talented, Backpack Program, Community Resources. Etc. Ms. Schott handed out to the board all of our updated brochures.

**SWAP:** Ms. Dorris gave an overview to the board explaining what SWAP is (School to Work Alliance Program). The program provides year-round services including counseling and guidance, job development, job placement and on the job training to assist young people with disabilities to become employed and self-sufficient. To qualify for SWAP youth must be between the ages of 16-25, have mild to moderate employment needs and have been identified as having a disability or are suspected to have a disability. Ms. Dorris works closely with the high school teachers to make the transition after graduation smoother for the students.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by the President of the Board, Kurt Blunt at 7:55 p.m.

Respectably Submitted,



Kris Denny  
Rio Blanco BOCES Board Secretary