

**Rio Blanco Board of
Cooperative Educational Services
Minutes
March 12, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by the President of the board, Kurt Blunt at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Tom Allen, Kurt Blunt, Marnell Bradfield, Mindy Burke, Bill deVergie, Joyce Key, Leslie Nielsen, Todd Shults, and Annette Webber.

Board Members Absent: Kurt Douglas, Bud Ridings, Sam Tolley

Others Present: Teresa Schott, Brad Bauer, Jessica Fortunato, Kris Denny, Matt Scoggins, Reed Kelley

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mindy Burke to accept the agenda as presented.

Second by Leslie Nielsen

ROLL CALL VOTE

For: Allen, Blunt, Bradfield, Burke, deVergie, Key, Nielsen, Shults, Webber

Absent: Douglas, Ridings, Tolley

*** Sam Tolley entered at 7:05***

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Joyce Key to approve the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the December 10, 2014 meeting, Warrants and Finance Report, Resignations of MaryAnn Allred, Jen Fortunato and Nedra Sandels.

Second by: Mindy Burke

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Ridings

PUBLIC INPUT

N/A

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

2015-2016 Preliminary Budget

Ms. Fortunato explained the narrative and the overview of the budget for each of the member districts. She reviewed changes from the 2014-2015 budget that are reflected in 2015-2016 preliminary budget. She discussed the revenue allocations and explained that they will be adjusted when final allocations are released.

Motion by Leslie Nielsen to acknowledge the review of the 2015-2016 preliminary budget.

Seconded by: Mindy Burke

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Ridings

High Cost Student

Ms. Fortunato informed the Board that the High Cost Student Report was submitted. A total of \$116,275.00 was submitted for Rangely and a total of \$83,737.00 was submitted for Meeker. The allocations are based on many things, student count, high needs categories of students, how many districts put in for the money, etc. The money comes from ECEA, (Exceptional Children's Education Act) which is the state's special education funds. We should be notified by the 12th of June regarding our allocation amounts. Payments will be distributed by June 30th, 2015.

Executive Session/Directors Contract-

Motion by Leslie Nielsen to move that the Board of Education go into executive session to discuss personnel matters required to be kept confidential by the Colorado Open Records Act, Article 72, title 22, C.R.S., and that by this motion the Board announces that such action is the purpose of the executive session. Entered in at 7:45 p.m.

Second by Annette Webber

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Ridings

The Board entered the Executive Session at 7:25 P.M.

The Board exited the Executive Session at 7:45 P.M.

Executive Directors Evaluation/Contract

Motion by Leslie Nielsen to pursue a contract for Teresa Schott for the academic year 2015-2016.

Second by Sam Tolley

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Ridings

Children's Health Fair Update

Ms. Denny explained the process of Children's Health Fair. She also informed the board about the dates and locations for the health fair this year.

Grants Being Completed

CPP

IDEA

SWAP- We received a letter from the state that recognized our SWAP program directed by Tami Dorris, it stated that we met and exceeded her contract. Ms. Dorris is doing a great job with our SWAP program.

Motion by Mindy Burke to grant approval to submit all of the discussed applications as presented.

Second by Joyce Key

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Ridings

Updates

Child Find Team Power Point- Child Find Team is working under our obligation with IDEA (Individual's with Disabilities Act) to develop a process that will make it easier for staff and Horizons to stay up to date on the referrals for each individual child. Our newly developed process was recognized and our team was asked to present our process at a CDE Child Find Training.

BOCES Calendar 2015-20116- A draft was presented to the board for informational purposes.

Effective Team Training- We will be hosting a workshop with CDE, Rio Blanco and Moffat County for that we are hosting for Rio Blanco and Moffat County for Early Literacy on September 17th and 18th , 2015. Lynn Coon will visit the preschool programs and she will also do a training with the elementary teachers in both districts.

School Emergency Management Grant (SEM)-We did received this grant and we will be setting up 3 trainings for all staff in both districts. Ms. Schott will work with both superintendents to set up the trainings.

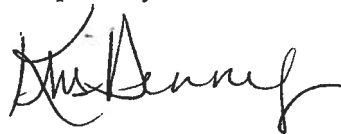
Rio Blanco BOCES Access- The BOCES is required to help our students until they are 21, with special education services. Judy Davis our Occupational Therapist is working on the ACCESS program to assist in linking agencies in offering needed services, upon existing public education.

Next Meeting: Ms. Schott will email dates to the board on what might work best for the next meeting. We will have the meeting via teleconference the first part of May.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the President of the board, Kurt Blunt at 8:25 p.m.

Respectably Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kris Denny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "K" and "D".

Kris Denny
Rio Blanco BOCES Board Secretary