

**Rio Blanco Board of
Cooperative Educational Services
Minutes
May 7, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Board, Kurt Blunt at 7:02 p.m. This was a telephone conference meeting.

Board Members Present: Tom Allen, Kurt Blunt, Marnell Bradfield, Mindy Burke, Bill deVergie, Joyce Key, Sam Tolley and Annette Webber.

Board Members Absent: Kurt Douglas, Leslie Nielsen, Bud Ridings, Todd Shults

Others Present: Teresa Schott, Brad Bauer, Jessica Fortunato, Kris Denny

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mindy Burke to accept the agenda as presented.

Second by Annette Webber

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Nielsen, Ridings, Shults

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Joyce Key to approve the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the March 2015 meeting, Warrants and Finance Report, New Hires: Mark Fishbein, School Psychologist- Meeker and Colleen Zufelt, School Nurse-Rangely

Second by: Mindy Burke

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Nielsen, Ridings, Shults

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 preliminary budget which included the salary and benefit increases for both member districts. She discussed the IDEA allocations and explained that there is a decrease due to the decrease in our student count on both sides. Ms. Fortunato also explained that programs within the BOCES generate revenue through CPP funding and through the High Cost Student application. These funds are given to the districts and will now be displayed under "other revenues" in our member district cost page of our budget.

Motion by Annette Webber to acknowledge the review of the 2015-2016 final budget.

Seconded by: Mindy Burke

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Nielsen, Ridings, Shults

Staffing Pattern

Ms. Fortunato asked for an approval for the certified staffing pattern as presented.

Motion by Joyce Key to approve the staffing patterns for the 2015-2016 school year.
Seconded by: Mindy Burke

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Absent: Douglas, Nielsen, Ridings, Shults

Informational

Consortium/Medicaid

Ms. Schott informed the board that the Consortium presented the "Perseverance Award" to Rio Blanco BOCES for our outstanding hard work and diligence with improving our Medicaid Program.

United Way Grant

Ms. Zufelt our school nurse, Ms. Fortunato and Ms. Schott submitted a grant to the United Way in Meeker to help fund nursing supplies. The grant was awarded and we received \$5,800.00.

Children's Health Fair Update

We had a very successful health fair this year! Each district had only one child one referred during the initial screening process. Rangely currently has 36 students enrolled for the 2015-2016 school year and Meeker currently has 52 students enrolled for the 2015-2016 school year. A third classroom for Meeker might be needed depending on the final enrollment numbers.

Meeting dates 2015-2016

August 20th 2015 at 6:30 p.m in Rangely

November 19th 2015 at 7:00 p.m via teleconference

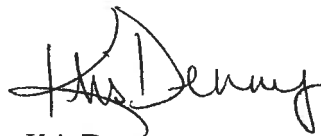
February 18th 2016 at 6:30 p.m in Meeker

April 21st 2016 at 7:00 p.m via teleconference

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the President of the Board, Kurt Blunt at 7:34 p.m.

Respectably Submitted,



Kris Denny
Rio Blanco BOCES Board Secretary