



Mt. Evans BOCES Board Meeting Minutes, April 11, 2016

9:00 A.M.

Platte Canyon District Office Board Room

- I. **Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the BOCES board was called to order at 9:12 A.M. by Mrs. Katie Spodyak, President.
- II. **Roll call:** Board Members present: Mr. Nicolai Hoffman (Clear Creek), Mr. Joseph O'Leary (Clear Creek), Mrs. Katie Spodyak (Platte Canyon), Mr. Steve Boulter (Gilpin) was absent.
Mrs. Susan Carpenter (Platte Canyon) arrived at 9:13 A.M. after roll call.

Also in Attendance: Dr. Terri Jones Executive Director, Mt. Evans BOCES; Michelle Haich, Assistant Director of Gifted Education, Dr. Brenda Krage, Platte Canyon Superintendent, Lisa Murphy, Platte Canyon Administrative Assistant and Tasha Flores, Mt. Evans BOCES Administrative Assistant
- III. **Agenda Changes/ Additions/Approval:**
A motion was made by Mr. O'Leary and seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the Agenda as presented.
VOTE: Carpenter, aye; Hoffman, aye; O'Leary, aye; Spodyak, aye.
Motion Passed. (4-0)
- IV. **Approval of Minutes from December 14, 2015**
A motion was made by Mrs. Carpenter and seconded by Mr. O'Leary to approve the minutes as they were presented.
VOTE: Carpenter, aye; Hoffman, aye; O'Leary, aye; Spodyak, aye.
Motion Passed. (4-0)
- V. **Student Spotlight**
Dr. Jones highlighted the Breckenridge Ski trip that the Special Education children were able to attend and was a great success.

Mrs. Haich highlighted two students from Clear Creek. A fourth grader attending King Murphy Elementary, and a seventh grader attending Clear Creek Middle School.

VI. Quarterly Report

Dr. Jones presented the BOCES quarterly report.

The Dec 1 report has been completed and sent to CDE.

Mt. Evans BOCES awarded a \$500.00 grant from Rocky Mountain Rural Health (RMRH) to purchase "talkers" for SSN classrooms and a subscription to News2You, which is utilized in academic instruction in SSN classrooms.

There were several professional development classes that were attended

Dec 17, 2015 - 1:15 pm - 4:00 pm - *Picture Exchange Communication System*

Dec 18, 2015 - 8:00 am - 3:00 pm - CCHS - *Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI)*

Jan 4, 2016 - 8:30 - 3:30 pm - BOCES-wide training on *Standards-Aligned IEPs*

Jan 8, 2016 - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Gilpin - *Tier II Interventions for Behavior and Academics*

Feb 19, 2016 - 8:00 - 4:00 pm - Gilpin - *Differentiated Classroom Instruction*

March 8 2016 - 6:30 - 8:00 pm - CCHS - *Understanding ASD: An Invitation for Families and Community Members*

Still in progress:

- Dr. Jones is cultivating a partnership between Id-Ra-Ha-Je and PCSD to expand opportunities for special education students to gain necessary employment skills.
- Language! Live and TransMath will be utilized next year for sped interventions at the secondary level for all districts - these interventions may also be utilized for MTSS interventions to determine response to intervention
- Behavioral/Emotional Classroom ("Strategies Lab") will be developed for 2016-17 at Deer Creek Elementary in Platte. There are currently 8 students with a need for such a classroom setting. A teacher has been hired and Terri has arranged for a local behavioral consultant to provide support during the initial year of implementation

BOCES Newsletter is linked with all three District Websites.

VII. SAC Meeting Notes

Dr. Jones highlighted topics from the SAC Meeting.

VIII. Dec Report Sped Data

Mrs. Haich presented the Gifted Education Report.

Gifted Education Population Data

Colorado - 68,163 gifted students = 7.6%.

Clear Creek SD - 74 gifted ed. students = 8.2%

Gilpin County SD - 27 gifted ed. students = 6%

Platte Canyon SD - 82 gifted ed. students = 7.6%

There were Several Professional Development classes that were attended
February 25-26, 2016: Colorado State Directors' Meeting

January - February, 2016: 24 teachers participated in the book studies on
Rigor and Engagement

March 31, 2016: Teaching Visual-Spatial Learners

April - May 2016: Upcoming teacher book studies will be starting in each of
the districts on *A Parent's Guide to Gifted Children*.

IX. Action Items

A. Approval of Tasha Flores as BOCES Administrative Assistant. (01-16)

A motion was made by Mrs. Carpenter and seconded by Mr. O'Leary that the Board approve the appointment of Tasha Flores as BOCES Administrative Assistant.

VOTE: Carpenter, aye; Hoffman, aye; O'Leary, aye; Spodyak, aye.

Motion Passed. (4-0)

B. Approval of a step increase for employees that are on the salary schedule. (02-16)

A motion was made by Mrs. Carpenter and seconded by Mr. O'Leary that the Board approve the step increase for employees on the salary schedule.

Discussion: There was a discussion about not having enough budget information available to make an informed decision.

VOTE: Carpenter, No; Hoffman, No; O'Leary, No; Spodyak, No.

Motion Failed. (0-4)

C. Approval of a 1.5% increase for employees not on the salary schedule. (03-16) No Motion

X. Adjourn Time 10:32 A.M.

Next Meeting June 6th at 9am in Gilpin

