

Region 9 Education Cooperative

Coordinating Council Meeting

Location: Capitan Schools

519 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM 88316

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Date & Time August 21, 2024 9:00 AM

Approved Meeting Minutes

Chairman Lee called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. with a quorum present in person of Mr. Lee, Mr. Lindsay, Ms. Gillespie, and Ms. Ferguson. Absent: Mr. Clough, Ms. Ross, and Mr. Patterson

Chairman Lee requested a motion to approve the order and content of the agenda. Mr. Lindsay made the motion and Ms. Ferguson provided a second. With all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

Chairman Lee requested a motion to approve the July 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Lindsay made the motion, and Ms. Ferguson provided a second. With all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

Chairman Lee requested a motion to approve the August 12, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes. Mr. Lindsay made the motion, and Ms. Ferguson provided a second. With all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

Chairman Lee requested a motion to approve the July 2024 vouchers. Mr. Lindsay made the motion, Ms. Ferguson provided a second. With all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

Chairman Lee requested a motion to approve the Budget Adjustment Requests. Mr. Lindsay made the motion, and Ms. Gillespie provided a second. With all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

Bryan Dooley presented the Directors' Report. He shared that Region 9 will be working with Schneider Electric's CES Vendor, Robert Perez, from Texas. Mr. Perez's company provides a cost free on-site analysis at Region 9 for solar, water, gas, electric, and geothermal. Districts interested in learning more can view a video and presentation provided by Mr. Perez. Mr. Dooley will update the board once the analysis is complete.

The latest update on congressional appropriations is that Ben Ray Lujan's office has informed Region 9 that the \$1 million request has progressed. Their office mentioned a November timeline for the notice of award and advised being prepared for a possible change in the amount.

The quarterly meeting with Dr. Cage took place on 8/20. Several issues regarding RECs receiving contracts were discussed. A letter has been sent listing concerns about continuing any work without funding. Region 9 has received 2 out of our 5 contracts, and we have been informed that the remaining three contracts have been routed and will be forthcoming.

Project ECHO—College and Career Readiness ECHO for Education is set to launch two new programs in September: College and Career Counseling and College Admission Narrative Writing. They plan to visit your region from September 18-20 to conduct an in-person session introducing ECHO for Education and providing information on the new programs.

Last year, regional superintendent work sessions were conducted with representatives from NMCEL (Stan Rounds), LESC (Gwen Warniment, John Sena), and PED (Arsenio Romero). The meeting format included a regular meeting at 9 am, an area meeting from 10:30 am to 1 pm, and Region 9 arranging lunch for all attendees. For the upcoming year, proposed options include organizing a session with NMCEL and another with LESC, holding a session with Walsh to provide legal guidance on the roles and responsibilities of the council and director at RECs, making another attempt to engage with legislators, and considering inviting George Munoz or Charles Sallee from LFC.

Home Visiting and Developmental Services are currently at full capacity, with Home Visiting serving 135 children in FY25 and fully staffed. The all-district Professional Development Day will be held on September 27th at Capitan Schools. Dr. Marcia Tate will be the guest speaker and the presentation will be Engaging the Brain. Linda Owen at SBHC is available for appointments on either Tuesday or Thursday each week. Internal Supports continues to Work with NMPED Bureaus in and ongoing manner as we manage IGAs, contracts, and events.

Chairman Lee requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Lindsay made the motion, and Ms. Ferguson provided a second. With all members voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28am.

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