

Region 9 Education Cooperative

Coordinating Council Meeting

Virtual Meeting

Meeting info: Join Zoom Meeting

Date & Time January 18, 2023 9:00 AM

Minutes

At 9:01 a.m. Vice-Chair Martin called the regular meeting of the Region 9 Coordinating Council to order with a quorum present of Mr. Patterson, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lindsay, Ms. Daugherty, Mr. Martin and Dr. Bickert. Absent: Travis Lightfoot

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the order and content of the agenda. Mr. Lindsay provided a motion to approve the order and content of the agenda, a second was provided by Dr. Bickert. A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lindsay-yes; Dr. Bickert-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Mr. Lee-yes, Mr. Patterson-yes. With 5 members present in favor, the motion passed.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the order and content of the meeting minutes for December 2022. Mr. Lindsay provided a motion to approve the order and content of the meeting minutes for December 2022, a second was provided by Ms. Daugherty. A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lindsay-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Dr. Bickert-yes; Mr. Lee-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes. With 5 members present in favor, the motion passed.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the December 2022 Checks. Mr. Lindsay provided a motion to approve the December 2022 Checks, a second was provided by Mr. Lee. A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lindsay-yes; Mr. Lee-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; and Dr. Bickert-yes. With 5 members present in favor, the motion passed.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the BARS for January 2023. Dr. Bickert provided a motion to approve the BARS for January 2023, a second was provided by Mr. Patterson. A roll call vote ensued, Dr. Bickert-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Mr. Lee-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Mr. Lindsay-yes. With 5 members present in favor, the motion passed.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the Asset Disposal Requests. Mr. Lindsay provided a motion to approve the Asset Disposal Requests, a second was provided by Mr. Patterson. A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lindsay-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Dr. Bickert-yes; Mr. Lee-yes; Ms. Daugherty. With 5 members present in favor, the motion passed.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the Region 9 Budget Schedule of Events. Mr. Lee provided a motion to approve the Region 9 Budget Schedule of

Events, a second was provided by Dr. Bickert. A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lee-yes; Dr. Bickert-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Mr. Lindsay-yes. With 5 members present in favor, the motion passed.

At 9:13 am Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to adjourn to executive session. Dr. Bickert provided a motion to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to section NMSA 1978, 10-15-1 (H) (2) , and section NMSA 1978, 10-15-1 (H))7), the council will convene in Executive Session to discuss limited personnel matter concerning the evaluation, contract and salary for the Executive Director of Region 9. No action will be taken in executive session, a second was provided by Ms. Daugherty. A roll call vote ensued, Dr. Bickert-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Mr. Lindsay-yes; Mr. Lee-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Vice-Chair Martin-yes.

At 9:32 am Dr. Bickert provided a motion to reconvene from Executive Session pursuant to section NMSA 1978, 10-15-1 (H) (2) , and section NMSA 1978, 10-15-1 (H))7), that no actions were taken during executive session and only the matters listed to discuss limited personnel matter concerning the evaluation, contract and salary for the Executive Director of Region 9, a second was provided by Ms. Daugherty. A roll call ensued, Dr. Bickert-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; ; Mr. Lindsay-yes; Mr. Lee-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Vice Chair Martin-yes.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to approve the evaluation, contract and salary of Region 9 Executive Director. Mr. Lindsay made a motion to table the evaluation contract and salary of Region 9 Executive Director to the February meeting, a second was provided by Ms. Daugherty . A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lindsay-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Dr. Bickert-yes; Mr. Lee-yes.

Discussion items

Ms. Freed updated the superintendents of the newly adopted Special Education rule changes and how they will impact FTEs for next year. She informed the superintendents that the workload for Related Services for 23-24 has increased from 21-22 to 22-23. Related Services has been tracking data for the five schools and will meet with each district to plan for FY 23.24.

Mr. Dooley discussed the letters of dual representation from Walsh to assist Region 9 with drafting MOUs for 23/24 on Medicaid, Membership, and Head Start.

Director Status Report

Melissa Gebbart will visit school districts on the wind program which will cover a windmill lego unit and CTE exploration and on-site visits will also be scheduled.

Region 9 is in the process of reviewing the Policy Manual and should have a revision ready for council by the May meeting. Mr. Dooley is also reviewing the R9 Coordinating Council Manual. Next step is to send it to Walsh to provide input and

update on any legal aspects. The most current revision of the policy was made on 7-25-2019. In review of the policy we will need to add an action item for delegation of staff employment to the Executive Director at the February meeting. Will bring motion to authorize retroactive to 7-1-2022 thru 6-30-2023 and go ahead and delegate for next fiscal year 7-1-2023 thru 6-30-2024.

Funding for the Early Childhood Center is still in progress. Mr. Dooley has met with First Savings Bank and asked for a leveraged cash balance arrangement of up to \$3 million. Mr. Dooley has also investigated several investment developers regarding an opportunity for a lease purchase. Region 9 fiscal is working with NMPED finance to establish pre-disbursement funding based on authorized vouchers and will also continue to work with the Village of Ruidoso for support with funding through a leaseback provision if possible.

The RECA scholarship for teachers ED Tech class that is offered through ENMU Ruidoso has received 222 applicants with over 190 approved will begin this month. The statewide Technology Initiative is in full swing, the statewide call center which is available for all families, students and staff statewide is up and running. It has started off slow and we are encouraging all districts to download the information for Statewide Technology and distribute flyers to your community to utilize the free live call center and tech support. Also to take advantage of Tech Bits and receive free professional development on a wide variety of technology related topics. The Statewide Academic competition is scheduled for a 2 day event in person. Region 9 staff have worked diligently planning the event. A planning document was linked in the director status report for the schedule of events.

Internal Supports has 7 upcoming events for January on AP winter workshops and 14 upcoming events for January in Social Studies and Art Instructional Materials review at ENMU.

Ms. McEwen is currently working on the DOH Operating Grant and will reach out to each district for demographic information on your student population. Ms. Linda Owen, CNP at SBHC will be available for sports physicals for the 23-24 school year beginning April 1st. Ms. McEwen will email the districts informing them on getting these scheduled before the school year ends. The Maze of Life will be held in March. The Dwi Program calendars are in; if your school has not received the calendars, Ms. McEwen can distribute them to your district.

Human Resources has many job postings, please look at the Region 9 website. Region 9 has had new hires (internal transfers) Arissa Klumker will be Budget Analyst and Jeanette Lindsey, Business Manager.

Vice-Chair Martin asked for a motion to adjourn at 10:07 a.m. Mr. Lee provided the motion to adjourn, a second was provided by Mr. Patterson. A roll call vote ensued, Mr. Lee-yes; Mr. Patterson-yes; Dr. Bickert-yes; Mr. Lindsay-yes; Ms. Daugherty-yes.

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