



SAN LUIS VALLEY BOCES

Superintendent's Advisory Council (SAC)

Minutes

March 9, 2021

Mr. Travis Garoutte (SAC Chair) called the regular meeting of the Superintendent's Advisory Council to order at 11:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Kevin Edgar to approve today's agenda, Mr. Curt Wilson seconded the motion, all in favor. March 9, 2021 SAC meeting agenda was approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Dr. Emma Martinez to approve the February 9, 2021 SAC meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Curt Wilson, all in favor, minutes approved will the following correction: SR2 to ESSER2.

Associate Member Reports:

Adams State University: Renae Haslett reported that she has nothing new to report. Mr. Curtis Garcia reported on the 21-22 Adams State University calendar. Spring break will be the week March 21st after the final approval. Mr. Garcia asked SLV Superintendents for future ideas on spring break dates. Several stated the 3rd full week in March is preferred.

CDE/Rural Liaison, Field Services Manager: Not in attendance.

Directors/BOCES Reports:

Mrs. Tina Goar, Executive Director: Ms. Goar updated on Educator Recognition Dinner; April 21, 2021 at Mountain Valley School in the gym. Dinner will be in person with limited numbers and a pre-served dinner from The Oasis restaurant. 2020/2021 teacher of the year will be speaking; Erica Mortenson from Sangre de Cristo School District. Nominated teacher, plus on guest, school principal and district superintendent, 2 from San Luis Valley Bank, 3 from SLV BOCES will be attending; 60-70 people. Ms. Goar suggested that future recognition dinners can be at different schools throughout the San Luis Valley. Ms. Goar stated at tomorrow's SLV BOCES Advisory Board several policies will be presented for a first reading. And with second reading will be June 2, 2021. On May 25, 2021 will be the last day for the Alternative Teacher Licensure Program. Eight currently in the program are on track to finish on time. Ms. Goar gave an update on the K-2 Literacy program. Good feedback from K-2 teachers. She also spoke about formalizing the Pepper Online Courses through the SLV BOCES.

Special Education Director: Mrs. Stacey Holland reported 3 paras have been hired. As we look towards the fall, we will be hiring 3 new teachers for the Extended Services programs. March 5th is IXL training for our Extended Services teachers. April 9th is our Autism training which is hosted by CDE and will be available to our staff and also to the district special education teachers. Still waiting for allocations on ESSER II funds, but continue to be told that BOCES will receive some funding out of that.

Assistant Special Education Director: Mr. LJ Garcia updated that he has been dealing with staff concerns related to job performance and we appreciate the feedback from SPED teachers that this has impacted. He has been working on IEP Compliance and have uncovered some areas of concern that will be addressed moving forward. He wants to make sure that SPED teachers are utilizing EasyCBM, which is purchased by the BOCES, to monitor student progress. IEPs are looking better but just need to fine tune them as a whole BOCES. With state testing around the corner, Mr. Garcia will work with building administrators to get a schedule for testing so my staff is aware and can adjust their schedules so students do not miss their services during this time.

Budget Reports: Staci Turner reviewed the Sped District Assessment. Stating that there will not be an increase; \$810,000. Received student count from the State. Mr. Curt Wilson asked if student numbers can be changed and Ms. Turner will continue to update numbers as State has updated student numbers. Admin District Assessment based on \$270,000; district buy in of \$2000 per school and \$250 building repair per school. Ms. Turner also reviewed the Multi-year Comparison which includes Federal Part B, Federal Pre School, Local Sped and Admin. This showing the carry over for the past 5 years. Ms. Turner is proposing a 1% of base salary plus a one step increase of each employee. Received Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) money in the amount of \$25,000. Received ESSER money in the amount of \$43,402. Proposing the increase of mileage from .42/mile to .45/mile. Not sure what health insurance will increase to, so budgeted a 20% increase. PERA will increase on 07/01/21 from 20.9% to 21.4%. Possibly look at having HB1345 pay for the portion of the Executive Director's salary that revolves around induction and alternative licensure. HB1345 application is opening on 03/01 & will close on 05/01, plans will include Lindamood-Bell and professional development.

Literacy Support: No comments on attached Literacy Support report.

Action Items:

Ms. Tina Goar spoke regarding the 21-22 San Luis Valley BOCES School Calendar. She stated that SLV BOCES calendar was build from all 14 school districts in the San Luis Valley. Staff work days will be the second Friday of each month. A motion was made by Mr. Curt Wilson to approve the 21-22 San Luis Valley BOCES School Calendar, Mr. Keith Crispell seconded the motion, all in favor.

Guest Reports:

CASB: Cheri Wrench spoke about a new campaign; CASB Built to Serve - new board candidate information / tools: <https://www.casb.org/built-to-serve-board-candidate-info>.

Recent CASB Legislative Webinar Series - access recordings and Tools: <https://casb.memberclicks.net/winter-legislative-conference> .

CASB Interactive Bill Graphic: <https://casb.memberclicks.net/2021-bills-graphic>.

Mark your calendar for upcoming meetings w/ CO Congressional Delegation - details on CASB calendar https://casb.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_jevents&Itemid=115&task=.

Rep. Crow ~ Monday, March 22 at 10:30am

Senator Bennet's staff ~ Wednesday, March 24 at 11:00am

Rep. Neguse ~ Thursday, March 25 at 1:00pm

Rep. Lamborn's staff ~ Tuesday, March 30 at 11:00am

Gifted/Talented USG Grant and UIP: Cheryl Franklin-Rohr spoke regarding a grant Universal Screening and Qualified Personal that's due April 15, 2021. Ms. Franklin-Rohr asked for Superintendents support with the grant with their signatures. Reminder that each districts UIP need to have their GT students need to be identified. Also, reminding that GT dollars will not roll over to next year.

Standing Reports (Updates):

- **CHSAA** – Mr. Curt Wilson spoke regarding the challenges that CHSAA is facing at the moment. Several schools are possibly leave CHSAA and form their own organization. Wrestlers are being required to have a COVID testing before State Tournament which is a concern to some school. A lot of division through the State. Next CHSAA board meeting will address concerns with several stepping forward to give their concerns. State basketball is being discussed. Several concerns regarding local and state guidelines.
- **Legislation and Regulation:** Dr. Emma Martinez spoke regarding the following bills: House Bill 1125, Senate Bill 116, READ Act, Senate 114, Senate Bill 013, House Bill 1114, Senate Bill 037.
- **Rural Education Council:** No new updates.
- **Blue Peaks:** Mrs. Stacey Holland stated that there was no positive COVID case in February and they are hopeful that with the vaccinations they are seeing a downward trend in needing to test for COVID. They are currently looking for an Executive Director to fill the position that Brooke Hayden will leave. The interview committee started the interview process on Wednesday, March 3rd, 2021.

- **SPL/IML League Athletic Director's:** Not in attendance
- **CASSA:** No new updates

Meeting was adjourned at 12:25pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
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