

**San Luis Valley BOCES**  
**Superintendent's Advisory Council (SAC)**  
**Minutes**  
**January 10, 2023**

Ms. Carrie Zimmerman called the regular meeting of the Superintendent's Advisory Council to order at 11:05 a.m. All were in favor.

A motion to amend agenda was made Ms. Emma Martinez to add MOU with CRP to facilitate directors evaluation to Action Items and share cost equally, seconded by Mr. Scott Wiedeman.

A motion was made by Darren Edgar to approve the January 10, 2023 agenda; Kevin Jones seconded the motion. All were in favor.

A motion was made by Mr. Keith Crispell to approve the December 13, 2022 board minutes, seconded by Mr. Joe Garci . All were in favor.

**Associate Member Reports:**

**Adams State University:**

Sandra Garvin reported she is a Professor Counselor of Education at Adams State University. Anything related to mental health with youth and adults she can support.

Curtis Garcia was unable to attend today.

**CDE/Rural Liaison, Field Services Manager:**

**Mr. Zach Allen, Director of Rural Services**

- ❖ He emailed out his monthly update report. If you have questions or concerns, reach out to Mr. Allen.
- ❖ Delivered law books to school districts. Carrie will take Mountain Valleys and they will pick up in Center. He delivered Alamosa. Everyone else was here to pick up.
- ❖ Assessment: Know your DAC.
- ❖ State Assessment for high school will be on a RFP again-legislative piece
- ❖ ACT/SAT meet all criteria
- ❖ ACT did not align to common core standards but do now
- ❖ SAT is changing to online testing (no paper based) so test itself will be different
  - Science will change more than math assessment
  - Committee will make ultimate decision
- ❖ Carrie asked if we could have both all of the time so districts have access to the one they want to use-Zach will take back to commissioner

- Legislative piece needs to be looked at. Carrie asked if BOCES can help with that.
- ❖ Keith Edgar mentioned there are curriculum differences depending if you do ACT or SAT so not only is there a shift in assessment but curriculum. This is a huge burden on districts.
- ❖ Zach- science benchmarks are approved for CMAS science (cut off scores). They also created performance level descriptors (he included link in email)
- ❖ Accountability Audit report link is in field service update.
- ❖ The Finance Training page has 2 training now in January Zoom.
  - 1 on Fund Balance 1/19 9-10:30am
  - 1 on Quarterly Financials 1/24 11-12:30
  - February will have part 1 and 2 on budget planning
  - Superintendents and finance are invited
  - All dates on link
- ❖ Katie put in resignation and will be leaving in July
- ❖ New board moving from 7 to 9 with new folks on board (this month will be first board meeting)
- ❖ Jaque Phillips asked about Joyce Rankin- also resigned, Zach reported republican committee chair will appoint a new person immediately
- ❖ Jaque Phillips asked about Candace Hawkins resignation. Candace previously worked for CDE monitoring and evaluation for IDEA , she took a position with Disabilities Law Colorado. Will affect our legal compliance. Zach will look into it. Who will replace Candace?

## **Directors/BOCES Reports:**

### **Executive Director Report:**

**Dr. Jacque Phillips** reported on the following:

- ❖ Budget will be presented to board on 1/25/23 to BOCES Board
- ❖ New budget manager - Jerald Montoya- contracted with an accounting firm to help us with budget and audit.
- ❖ Audit being completed right now
- ❖ SLV BOCES Building issues - will talk about at the board meeting. High heat bills and cleaning out outdated materials. Early conversation about the building. Currently doing office shuffle and consolidating for those working virtually to use space more efficiently. Darren Edgared asked if BOCES is eligible for BEST Grant for a building, Jacque reported no because we do not have students in our building.
- ❖ Darren asked ideas on a trailer in North Conejos. Darren suggested putting it up for sale to get bids and buyer(s) can pick it up.
- ❖ Jacque reported that BOCES continues to provide support and training to district teachers. Jacque and Stacey do not have the capacity post COVID to support new teachers but will be looking into the budget to see how they can support it.

Use ESSER funds to do any requested or needed training and support for outside training for districts, which helps with support in to build capacity.

- ❖ Preparing for Grant funds for Transition Co-Action Grant. Will be working with finance and Kirk Banghart will also be supporting that.
- ❖ Scott Wiedeman said a half day session on Friday on how to write an IEP and Superintendents can require it in their plan so they are required by the school district to attend. Jacque will communicate training with Superintendents & building Principals.
- ❖ Darren Edgar asked about general education alternative licensure update. All agreed that it would be good for Joy Werner to come in and give everyone an update.
  - ASU now does SpEd Alternative licensure and is currently working to take over general education alternative licensure.
- ❖ BOCES Board Meeting is January 25th

### **Special Education Director Report:**

- ❖ . Stacey is continuing doing individual school district meeting for support
- ❖ Build Transition program for next year, Bob Burrows is coming Friday to help support that.
- ❖ RANDA Mid Year Review being done
- ❖ Partnering with CDE for the transition program
- ❖ Emma asked how many are in the transition program? Stacey reported 5 at this time but next year we can serve up to 12. Transportation is being supported where needed. Eligibility is determined by students who have not met their transition goals. Moderate students usually do not participate. Students still get to graduate with their peers and from 18-21 they hold diplomas while the transition program is completed. Outreach is also being worked on for the next coming school year.
- ❖ Jacque talked about outreach and things the transition program will need like an accessible vehicle. Darren Edgar mentioned it needs to be handicap accessible. Carrie mentioned funds for electric which Jacque looked into as well.
- ❖ Friday meetings are with DVR, SWAP, Workforce Center, and Blue Peaks to work with transition.

### **Discussion Items:**

Do attendance at the beginning of each SAC Meeting.

### **Action Items:**

A motion to approve the outside agency MOU with CRP to facilitate the Executive Directors Evaluation was made by Ms. Emma Martinez seconded by Mr. Joe Garcia. Agreed to split cost equally and Jacque will take to BOCES Board. All in favor.

### **Guest Reports:**

Kirk canceled and rescheduled for February due to a family emergency.  
Generation Schools Network **Kirk Banghart Vice President & Chief Facilitator of  
the Colorado Rural Education Collaborative**  
Co-Action Grant

**Standing Reports (Updates):**

**CHSAA – Dr. Martinez**

Dr. Martinez reported that legislative counsel will meet on 1/24.

**Legislation and Regulations – Mr. Horrocks**

Mr. Horrocks no report

**Rural Alliance – Mr. Melster**

Mr. Melster reported the next meeting is the 17th of this month.

**Rural Education Council - Mr. Melster**

Mr. Melster no report

**Blue Peaks – Ms. Holland**

Ms. Holland reported they have day services closed for this week due to clients being sick. Due to staff shortages they asked the state to suspend licenses for two houses and if not they will close them. This will not affect current clients because they have 3 homes that can support them in the SLV.

**SPL/IML Athletic Directors Meeting – Mr. Wiedeman**

Mr. Weideman – Meeting is tomorrow to go through information. If you have the booklet that has CHASS information they are voting on the 24th take a look because there are some things that may affect you.

Diana Jones on Zoom and said next date she has a conflict on 2/7. Jacque and Stacey will be at the state BOCES meeting. Discussion on the next SAC meeting. Keep 2/7 date for the next meeting.

Dianna also asked for school calendars. Carrie said they will work on them in February. Add to agenda for February and March meetings.

Diane reported that Erik Melgoza services will be Sunday at 2pm at AHS

Meeting was adjourned at 11:56pm - All in favor

Next meeting: February 7, 2023

Submitted by,

Tara Marquez; SLV BOCES Child Find/Grants Coordinator