

BITTERROOT VALLEY EDUCATION COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Tuesday, September 27, 2022
9:00 a.m. – Cooperative Office/Zoom

MINUTES – ~~DRAFT~~ FINAL

1. **Call to Order** – Dr. DoBell called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Board members in attendance: Dr. DoBell, Mr. Thennis, Mr. Fiske, and Mr. Biesiot. Board members not in attendance: Ms. Woodard. BVEC administration in attendance: Ms. Rammell, Director, and Mr. Hughes, Mental Health Program Manager. Staff in attendance: Cami Hildebrand, Florence School Psychologist and BVEC CPI Coordinator.
2. **Consent Agenda – Approved by unanimous consent.**
 - A. Minutes
 - B. Warrants
 - C. Financial Report
 - D. Resignations
 1. none
 - E. New Hires
 1. Caroline (Carly) Blair, CSCT Behavior Consultant, Stevensville
 - F. Next Meeting – October 25, 2022, 9:00 am BVEC Office
3. **Public Comment** – None.
4. **Correspondence** – None.
5. **Board Action**
 - A. **Procedure Update: Drug-Free/Alcohol-Free Schools**

Employees are required to provide notification when prescribed controlled substances that may have impact on job performance. Language addresses Montana Supreme Court decision that was issued last year regarding this situation. Mr. Biesiot made a motion to accept the procedure update as recommended; Mr. Fiske seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Motion carries 4-0.
6. **Information and Discussion**
 - A. **CPI Training Updates** – Ms. Rammell reviewed the training that has been completed for 43 staff members. Feedback has been quite positive. Ms. Rammell confirmed prior Board discussions of billing Districts for the cost of online sessions and training booklets. The cost this year will be \$40.99 per District staff member trained. Future training dates:
 - a. **Victor** – 10/20/22
 - b. **Location to be determined** – 11/11/22, so far three people from Stevensville, three from Lone Rock. Mr. Biesiot added two from Darby.
 - c. **Florence** – to be determined.
 - d. In the spring Cami will solidify a plan for scheduled training in the future.

B. Child Find – Ms. Rammell reviewed the Cooperative Child Find process to identify IDEA eligible children and linking them to services. She also distributed the current Flyer that can be distributed in Districts, posted in social media, etc. Ms. Rammell explained the logic used to determine the location for the sessions, Darby because they have their own preschool, Victor is being added this year because of concern that it might be an issue for their parents to transport children as far as Darby or Stevensville, and the Preschool will cover all Districts that attend the Preschool (Stevensville, Lone Rock, and Florence). The Cooperative also coordinates with Corvallis as they will also offer screening to children from our Districts, but we do not share funding with them. Mr. Fiske and Dr. DoBell offered suggestions on revisions to the Flyer to make it easier for Florence’s parents to see where they should take their children.

C. Special Needs Technology Purchase – Ms. Rammell explained the situation with a student in a Cooperative district that has specific technology needs to ensure their ability to hear in school is the same as all other students. There was general discussion regarding options for funding equipment in these low incidence cases and historical practices.

7. Adjourn – Dr. DoBell adjourned the meeting at 9:42 AM.

Rob Orrell

BOARD CHAIR SIGNATURE

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Jill Reynolds

BOARD CLERK SIGNATURE

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