

MISSOULA AREA EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
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MISSOULA, MONTANA 59808
JOINT ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL SPRING 2023 MEETING

The Joint Advisory Board of the Missoula Area Education Cooperative met for a Special meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 via Zoom. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise stated.

- ATTENDEES STACIA VAUGHN, Cooperative Director
DALE OLINGER, Superintendent, Lolo Schools
ERIN LIPKIND, Missoula County Superintendent of Schools
JASON SARGENT, Superintendent, St. Ignatius Schools
SCOTT KINNEY, Superintendent, Superior Schools
JIM HOWARD, Superintendent, Bonner Schools
CONNIE BAUMAN, Cooperative Business Manager
CRISTA ANDERSON, Principal, Dixon Elementary
AMANDA CYR, Superintendent, Clinton Elementary
STEVE LOVE, Superintendent, Charlo Schools
AARON MORGENSTERN, Superintendent, Swan Valley Elementary
- ABSENT JEFF CREWS, Superintendent, Alberton Schools
MATTHEW DRIESSEN, Superintendent, DeSmet Elementary
JOSH GIBBS, Superintendent, Seeley Lake Elementary
JOHN ROUSE, Principal, Potomac Elementary
ANNE TANNER, Principal, Arlee Schools
- GUESTS None
- CALL TO ORDER Board Chair, Dale Olinger called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.
- ROLL CALL Attendance of the 2022-2023 Joint Advisory Board members was conducted.
- PUBLIC COMMENT None
- DIRECTOR'S
REPORT Stacia Vaughn reported to the JAB the following:
- A. Mandt reminder for 2023-24: the Cooperative no longer has certified Mandt instructors employed. Districts must contact wmpic.org to arrange for staff to receive Mandt training.

- B. Cooperative Preschool Program information was reviewed:
 - a. Tuition invoicing per district was shared for school years 2017-18 through 2022-23.
 - b. Preschool budget for the 2022-23 school year.
 - c. IDEA Part C funding by district for the 2023-24 school year.
 - d. Pros and Cons for continuing the Preschool Program.
 - e. Question and answer session.

Jason Sargent made a Motion to dissolve the current Cooperative Preschool Program's centralized model previously located at Bonner and for the Director to pursue the development of an itinerant model for the 2023-2024 school year by recruiting a preschool special education teacher at a .50 – 1.00 (FTE negotiable) to be employed by the Cooperative and assigned to districts to provide and/or guide the implementation of preschool IEPs as arranged by the Director. All Joint Advisory Members in attendance voted in support of Mr. Sargent's Motion.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to bring before the Board, Scott Kinney moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 a.m. Jim Howard - Second.

APPROVAL

These minutes shall stand approved as written unless corrections are received by the Cooperative Business Manager prior to the August 2023 Joint Advisory Board meeting.

Rhonda Olsen for
Signature of Business Manager, Attest
C. Bauman

10/4/2023
Date

10/9/2023
Date Copies sent to JAB

DEAL
Signature of Chairman

10/4/23
Date