

**YELLOWSTONE-WEST/CARBON COUNTY
SPECIAL SERVICES COOPERATIVE**

***Management Board Meeting
May 14, 2024 10:00 a.m.
Virtual***

CALL TO ORDER

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes from April 9, 2024 Joint Advisory Board meeting

Claims

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Director's report

ACTION ITEMS:

Accept Jessica Saliba's resignation effective at the end of the school year (see attached letter)

Hire a new Speech Pathologist

The Speech team and I will interview Jamie Lund on Monday, May 13th

Significant Needs Grant (see attached Contingency Request form)

Consider re-instating the grant awards for member schools with unexpected costs associated with special needs students.

Funding will either need to come from Coop reserves, District match funds, or a combination of the two.

This discussion was tabled at the April board meeting to allow all the board members to consider whether and how the funds could be allocated.

Select a health insurance plan for 2024-25 (see attached proposals)

MUST submitted a regular renewal of our health insurance plans. Rates increased 15-17% over last year's premiums. (Option 1)

A Statewide Cooperative Group plan was created. It was bid twice because the initial quote was so poor several cooperatives dropped out of consideration. It was bid a second time with better but still poor rates. (Option 2)

The SSEA and the director agree that the MUST plan for our individual plan is the better option at this time. (Option 1)

Third and final reading of the cooperative car and mileage reimbursement policy. Recommend adoption of the new policy to go into effect August 2024.

The negotiations team finalized a plan for the next two years for the office staff. Attached is an outline the terms for Beth Vogeles, Roger and Denise Heimbergner, and Brandyn Romo. Those contracts will be sent out as soon as the agreement is approved by the board.

Board canvassing of ballots:

Two current board members were nominated to serve another term beginning in July of 2023. Nominees were John Fitzgerald and Cathi Rude.

One board member was nominated to fulfill the remaining two years of the term held by Bill Philips. The nominee was Jim Goltz.

Nine votes were cast in favor of all three candidates by the 15 eligible joint advisory board members.

Swearing in of new board member

Restructuring of the Cooperative Board

ASSOCIATION ITEM(S):

Topic to be provided 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

NEXT MTG.: Management Board Meeting on Tuesday June 11, 2024 virtually