

MEEKER AND WRIGHT SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

Board Meeting - Joint Powers Board #0938

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Zoom

PRESENT: Irene Bender, Gena Jacobson, Amy Johnson, Katie Koch, Chris Paumen, Julie Rae Pennertz.

ABSENT: Jessica Johnson

OTHERS PRESENT: Janell Bullard and Scott LeSage

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by Julie Rae Pennertz, seconded by Gena Jacobson. Roll call vote: Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.

IV. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2020 meeting as presented was made by Katie Koch, seconded by Chris Paumen. Roll call vote: Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.

V. Bills for Payment and other financial reports as attached

Motion to approve the bills for payment and other financial reports as presented was made by Julie Rae Pennertz, seconded by Gena Jacobson. Roll call vote: Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.

VI. Fund Transfers

April 7, 2020 - \$300,000.00

April 28, 2020 - \$300,000.00

Motion to approve the fund transfers as listed was made by Katie Koch, seconded by Julie Rae Pennertz. Roll call vote: Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.

VII. Acknowledgements

A. Staff Contributions and Continuous Years of Service to MAWSECO

The Board acknowledges the significant contributions of staff to learners with disabilities. Cooperative staff provide critical instructional and support services and

have a strong commitment to the Cooperative and its member districts. The following staff members are specifically acknowledged for their continuous years of service:

1. 20 years - Mary Carlson, Christopher Lotzer
2. 15 years - Elizabeth Karels, Laura Scheer
3. 10 years - Stacie Jo Braun, Judy Jacques, Jean Wirz
4. 5 years - Tom Bonkrude, Melanie Brisk, Holly Cottington, Emily Hilbelink, Jennifer Lynch, Amber Michels, Michelle Montgomery, Tanner Schraw, Nicole Sigler, Kayla Sonsteby, Kevin Vig

VIII. Reports

- A. Director Report - Janell Bullard highlighted the two budget discussion items for the revised budget and the end of the year inservice scheduled for June 3. This will be held virtually with the option of onsite as staff are comfortable while maintaining social distancing. She provided an update on hiring for the fall and the need for a couple of teaching positions. Planning is being done for summer, the fall inservices and onboarding through multiple options.

IX. Old Business

- A. FY21 Preliminary Budget
Scott LeSage presented the FY21 preliminary budget for the second reading. Motion to approve the FY21 preliminary budget was made by Gena Jacobson, seconded by Katie Koch. Roll call vote: Irene Bender, Aye; Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.

X. New Business

- A. Personnel
Motion to approve the personnel items as listed as made by Irene Bender, seconded by Gena Jacobson. Roll call vote: Irene Bender, Aye; Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.
 1. Resignation: Tamera Williams, 1-1 Paraprofessional (Journeys Program) effective May 19, 2020.
 2. Reduction of Position: Mary Schacht, 1-1 Paraprofessional (Sholund School for Girls) effective June 4, 2020.
- B. 2020-2021 MAWSECO Staff and Program Calendars
Motion to approve the 2020-2021 MAWSECO Staff and Program calendars as presented was made by Julie Rae Pennertz, seconded by Gena Jacobson. Roll call vote: Irene Bender, Aye; Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.
 1. Cornerstones/Eastern Wright Program
 2. MAWSECO Education Center Programs (Trek, STEP, Journeys)
 3. Sholund School for Girls
 4. Village Ranch Alternative Program
 5. Westside Alternative Program

6. Wings Alternative Program

7. General staff calendar to be individually approved for each staff member since the location/days of each position varies

C. FY20 - Audit - Conway, Deuth and Schmiesing, PLLP

Motion to authorize the FY20 audit to be conducted by Conway, Deuth and Schmiesing, PLLP was made by Julie Rae Pennertz, seconded by Irene Bender. Roll call vote: Irene Bender, Aye; Gena Jacobson, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Chris Paumen, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye.

XI. Future Board Meetings

A. June 23, 2020, 6:30 p.m., Virtual

B. July 28, 2020, 6:30 p.m., Virtual

XII. Future Committee Meetings

A. Administrative/Classified & Non-Union Certified Committee, TBD

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

Submitted by,

Janell Bullard
Executive Secretary

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