



Board Meeting Agenda

May 2, 2023 from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

430 Beacon Lite Rd., Suite 150, Monument, CO 80132

- I. PRELIMINARIES
 - A. Call to order
 - B. Roll call
 - C. Welcome to guests
 - D. Pledge of Allegiance
 - E. Public Comment

- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- III. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Approval of April 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
 - B. Approval of Matters Relating to Personnel

- IV. ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Resolution, Teacher Appreciation – Ken Witt
 - B. Resolution, HB23-1003 School Mental Health Assessment – Ken Witt
 - C. Homeschool Enrichment Programs – Ken Witt
 - D. Policy Review, 7.N., 7.N.-R. Staff Grievances– Ken Witt
 - E. School Calendars – Dan Snowberger
 - F. 2023-2024 Board Meeting Dates – Annette Ridgway

- V. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. Legislative Issues and Updates – Amy Attwood
 - B. Homeschool Enrichment Program Applications – Ken Witt
 - C. Policy Review, 7D. Staff Conduct – Ken Witt
 - D. 2023-2024 Preliminary Budget – Annette Ridgway

- VI. OTHER BUSINESS
 - A. Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to discuss potential litigation matters
 - B. Action related to matters discussed in executive session

- VII. BOARD REPORTS
 - A. Education and Operations
 - B. Finance

- VIII. ADJOURN



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: III.B.-Approval of Matters Relating to Personnel

Item Type: Consent Agenda Action Discussion Information

Background Information, Description of Need:

To gain Board of Directors approval for personnel changes.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Staff Addition:

- Andrew Franko, Director of Education Operations, Effective May 1, 2023

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

Be it resolved, that matters relating to personnel be approved as recommended by the administration.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Ken Witt

Title of Agenda Item: IV.A. - Resolution, Teacher Appreciation

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

The attached resolution recognizes our teachers and designates this week Teacher Appreciation Week. We request that this resolution be read into the record for a vote.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

A motion is requested “to approve the Resolution of Recognition to Commemorate May 7-13, 2023 as Teacher Appreciation Week”.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Ken Witt

Title of Agenda Item: IV.B – Resolution, HB23-1003 School Mental Health Assessment

Item Type: Action Discussion Information

Background Information, Description of Need:

The legislature has proposed a school mental health assessment program that potentially allows students to participate in mental health screenings against their parents' wishes, and that such screenings then be kept secret from their parents. The attached resolution opposes this bill.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

The resolution language is attached.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

A motion is requested to approve the resolution.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Ken Witt, Executive Director

Title of Agenda Item: IV C – Homeschool Enrichment Programs

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

In April, the board received the following applications for first reading. After a first review, applicants were provided the opportunity to respond to feedback from the review team. Upon second review by staff, these applications are being recommended for approval.

One application (Heart Seed Wildschooling) provided last month was unable to complete a second review due to delay in applicant feedback. That application will come back in June if recommended for approval.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

- **Front Range Academy Homeschool Program** – This program is affiliated with a private school operating in Fort Collins, CO. This program will focus on enrichment for both homeschool students and private school students specifically in the area of music, art, technology, and physical education.
- **Real Red Riding Hood Homeschool Program** – This program is currently operating in the Palmer Lake community. It features two distinct options for homeschool children. The first program is a Forest School that takes place one day per week in the canyons in and around the Monument area. The second is an Arts & Science indoor program that takes place in a schoolhouse also located in Palmer Lake. This program has been running for the last several years as a private program without public funding.
- **Windmill Homeschool Enrichment Program** – This group has been working on developing a full charter school in the Denver community. Due to the unlikely approval of a charter by Denver Public Schools, they approached us about doing a homeschool enrichment program focusing on STEM topics providing their families who currently are homeschooling their children access to important enrichment parts contained in their program.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:



to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an operating agreement with Front Range Learning Center Homeschool Enrichment Program

to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an operating agreement with Real Red Riding Hood Homeschool Enrichment Program

to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an operating agreement with Windmill Homeschool Enrichment Program



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Ken Witt

Title of Agenda Item: IV.D – Policy Review, 7N, 7N-R. Staff Grievances

Item Type: Action Discussion Information

Background Information, Description of Need:

In an effort to maintain compliant, relevant, and effective policy, Education reEnvisioned has formalized an annual review process of Board Policy and Operating Procedures. In each of the coming few board meetings, one or two policy update recommendations will be brought to the board each meeting.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Edits to Board Policy **7N and 7N-R, Staff Grievances** are offered, for the purpose of clarifying board discretion in hearing appeals. The policy language is attached.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

A motion is requested “to approve, as presented, Board Policy 7N, Staff Grievances”.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Dan Snowberger, Director of Education Operations

Title of Agenda Item: IV E – School Calendars

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

Attached are the proposed calendars for the following programs:

- Ascend College Prep
- Colorado Preparatory Academy (Elem, Mid, & High)
- Colorado Summit Connections Academy
- Orton Academy
- Pikes Peak On-Line
- Williamsburg Academy of Colorado

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

These calendars meet the required instructional minutes, and we are requesting your approval.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

The board is asked to formally approve these calendars for the 2023-24 school year.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: IV.F. - 2023-2024 Board Meeting Dates

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

A board of cooperative services shall meet at least quarterly in accordance with Colorado School Law and the Boards of Cooperative Services Act of 1965 (22-5-104(4)). The ERBOCES Board of Directors has chosen to meet monthly for planning and consistency purposes.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

The administration proposes that 2023-2024 regular meetings of the ERBOCES Board of Directors are scheduled from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm on the first Tuesday of the month with the following exceptions: no meeting in July, and the January meeting is delayed until the second Tuesday of the month. Additionally, a board retreat is proposed for September 8, 2023. A calendar of meeting dates and retreat date is provided for review.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

A motion to approve the proposed 2023-2024 calendar of meeting dates and retreat date is requested.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: V.A.-Legislative Issues and Update

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

A link to the legislative bill tracking report is below. It is dynamic and updated daily throughout the session.

<https://www.coloradocapitolwatch.com/bill-analysis/2519/2023/0/>

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Verbal update by Amy Attwood.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Ken Witt, Executive Director

Title of Agenda Item: VB Homeschool Enrichment Program Applications

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

The applications below represent the final group of programs we will be considering for the 2023-24 school year. These four applications, in addition to **Heart Seed Wildschooling** shared last month, will be reviewed. If recommended for approval, they will be brought back for board action on June 6, 2023. Please do feel free to reach out to Dan Snowberger, Director of Education Operations, with any questions or feedback.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Applications are attached regarding the following programs/schools:

- **Altitude Performance Academy** – This program is affiliated with our current Renaissance Innovation Academy that has offered four different successful enrichment programs during the 2022-23 school year under Education reEnvisioned authorization. This new program is proposing to serve 30 students next year. Students will participate in high quality individual/group/team sports, outdoor education, health, and sports management activities/events provided by professional and industry experts.
- **Didaskopods** – This program is based in Gunnison Colorado. It is designed to serve 10-15 homeschool students through community tours and enrichment classes in the Gunnison Area. This program has operated this year through private funding.
- **Regional Education Services** – This group will be partnering with Colorado Christian Academy in the Englewood, CO community who teach math and language arts using the prescribed materials to non-public school students. This program is proposing to start with 25 students in the 2023-24 school year with expansion in future years as determined appropriate.
- **South Metro Homeschool Enrichment Program** – This group will be partnering with Arma Dei in the Douglas County area. This program is planning to serve 5 to 40 students in the 2023-24 school year with expansion in future years as determined appropriate.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

No Board action is requested at this time. Following a review, a recommendation for action will be brought to the Board on June 6, 2023 to either approve or deny these programs.



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Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Ken Witt

Title of Agenda Item: V.C – Policy Review, 7D, Staff Conduct

Item Type: Action Discussion Information

Background Information, Description of Need:

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Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Edits to Board Policy **7D, Staff Conduct** are offered. The policy language is attached.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

First reading. No motion is requested.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: 2022-2023 Preliminary Budget

Item Type: Action Information Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

CRS22-44-108c requires that the Board of Education receive a proposed budget “at least thirty days prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year.”

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

- Student enrollment (sFTE) is projected to increase by 33% driven by growth in HSEs and ICE programs.

Type	FY22-23 sFTE	FY23-24 sFTE	Change	% Change
B&M	166.5	190.0	23.50	14%
HSE	365.0	1,249.0	884.00	242%
ICE	13.0	225.0	212.00	1631%
MDOL	3,721.0	4,006.0	285.00	8%
Grand Total	4,265.5	5,670.0	1,404.5	33%

- Based on the draft school finance bill (SB23-287 as Amended 4/28/2023), per pupil funding (PPR) is expected to increase by 10%.
- sFTE and PPR increases result in a \$18M increase in program revenue, offset by a \$17M increase in professional-educational services expense. 94% of program revenue supports instructional services provided by contracted Education Service Providers.
- Increase in revenue generated by ‘Earnings on Investments’ based on 4% yield on \$5M average cash balance and the repayment of school startup loans.
- ERBOCES expenses are anticipated to increase by 15% driven by growth –increase in consulting costs for homeschool partnership development, site visits, and application reviews, increase in general liability insurance to cover additional enrollment, and increase in funding for school startup loans.



- The 2023-2024 budget for reserves reflects the ERBOCES commitment to offer “pre-funding” for new schools (\$3.6M, ~900 sFTE Jul-Nov) while maintaining a healthy unassigned fund balance for contingencies.
- A preliminary FY23-24 budget for grants is in development and will be presented at the June board meeting.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

No motion requested. A final 2023-2024 budget will be submitted for board approval in June.