



## **Board Meeting Agenda**

April 5, 2022 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 March 1, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
  - B. Approval of Matters Relating to Personnel
  
- IV. ACTION ITEMS
  - A. School Applications – Ken Witt
  - B. New Policy-Employee Education Reimbursement – Ken Witt
  
- V. DISCUSSION ITEMS
  - A. Legislative Issues and Updates – Amy Attwood
  - B. 2022-2023 School and Program Calendars – Suzanne Romero
  - C. Graduation Invitations – Suzanne Romero
  - D. Student Growth Presentations – Jennifer Strawbridge
  - E. 2022-2023 Board Meeting Dates – Annette Ridgway
  - F. 2022-2023 Budget Planning – Annette Ridgway
  
- VI. OTHER BUSINESS
  - A. Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice on specific legal matters pertaining to ongoing litigation
  - 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:** April 5, 2022

**Prepared by:** Ken Witt

**Title of Agenda Item:** (IV. A) School Applications

**Item Type:**  Action  Information  Discussion

### **Background Information, Description of Need:**

The BOCES last year authorized three brick-and-mortar schools, a multi-district online school, and one independent home school enrichment program, all opened Fall 2021. With a moratorium in place for the 2021-2022 school year on authorizing brick-and-mortar full-time schools in non-member districts, the BOCES has predominantly reviewed home school enrichment program applications and online school applications for next year. The level of interest in home school enrichment programs and online schools across the state has increased in the past two years.

Williamsburg Learning Multi-District Online School Application - Williamsburg Learning, presently operating a very small homeschool enrichment program authorized last year with the BOCES, has submitted an application for a K-12 online school. This was the plan from the beginning, as they worked with us on the homeschool enrichment program as a test foray into Colorado. With that experience, they wish to pursue a full-time multi-district online school this year. The application has been submitted to the CDE for the State Board of Education approval process as well as for our board review.

*This approval vote was postponed from the prior meeting, pending resolution of some application issues. Those issues have been resolved, and we request board authorization to enter into a contract with Williamsburg Learning for the operation of Leadership Academy multi-district online school.*

### **Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:**

The application review panels for Williamsburg Learning/Leadership Academy of Colorado unanimously recommended that we authorize them.

### **Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:**

A motion is requested “to authorize the BOCES to execute a contract with Williamsburg Learning to operate Leadership Academy of Colorado, a multi-district online school, in accordance with the application submitted”.



**BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

**Board Meeting Date:** April 5, 2022

**Prepared by:** Ken Witt

**Title of Agenda Item:** (IV. B) Education Reimbursement Policy – Second Reading / Approval

**Item Type:**  Action  Information  Discussion

**Background Information, Description of Need:**

As innovation is an integral part of the Education reEnvisioned BOCES and central to the mission and vision, we wish to encourage and motivate continuing education of employees.

A draft education reimbursement policy is attached, with changes in alignment with feedback received after first reading. While very limited in education reimbursement funds made available, we believe this policy is appropriate and adequate to achieve this purpose. The change from first reading is the addition of a pre-pay option, while maintaining accountability for successful completion.

**Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:**

It is our experience in other enterprises that such a policy helps create a culture of continuing education which in turn creates more tools for innovation, central to our mission and vision.

**Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:**

A motion is requested to “approve the Employee Education Reimbursement Policy”.



## BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Board Meeting Date:** April 5, 2022

**Prepared by:** Annette Ridgway

**Title of Agenda Item:** Legislative Issues and Update

**Item Type:**  Action  Information  Discussion

### **Background Information, Description of Need:**

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

<https://www.coloradocapitolwatch.com/bill-analysis/2519/2022/0/>

### **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: April 5, 2022

Prepared by: Suzanne Romero

Title of Agenda Item: 2022-2023 School and Program Calendars

Item Type:       Action               Information               Discussion

### Background Information, Description of Need:

Each year, the Education reEnvisioned BOCES Board of Directors needs to approve the BOCES school and program calendars.

### Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

The BOCES staff has attached the proposed calendars for the 2022-2023 school year for discussion. The BOCES staff will ask the Board of Directors to approve the calendars in May 2022 at the May Board meeting.

Please note that the Pueblo Classical Academy (PCA) calendar has not been attached at this time due to internal board discussions and approval. PCA draft calendar will be ready for discussion at the May board meeting and approval at the June board meeting.

### Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

There is no recommended course of action or motion requested at this time.



## BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: April 5th, 2022

Prepared by: Suzanne Romero

Title of Agenda Item: Graduation Invitations

Item Type:       Action               Information               Discussion

### Background Information, Description of Need:

The Education reEnvisioned BOCES staff has received the final graduation details from school leaders and would like to extend a formal invitation for the Board of Directors to attend graduation for the class of 2022.

### Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Our schools are planning the following graduation ceremonies:

Ascend College Prep will hold an in-person graduation ceremony with no mask mandate at this time. The ceremony will be held on May 22nd, 2022, at 1 PM at Doolittle Hall on the Air Force Academy grounds.

Colorado Preparatory Academy High School will be an in-person graduation ceremony with no mask mandate at this time. The ceremony will be held on May 27th, 2022, at 11 AM at the Denver Convention Center Four Seasons Ballrooms 3 and 4. They are asking participants to be there no later than 10:30 AM.

Pikes Peak Online School will be an in-person graduation ceremony with no mask mandate at this time. The ceremony will be held on May 27th, 2022, at 2 PM at the Denver Convention Center Four Seasons Ballrooms 3 and 4. They are asking participants to be there no later than 1:30 PM.

Connections Summit Academy will be an in-person graduation ceremony with no mask mandate at this time. The ceremony will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11 AM at Shea Stadium in Highlands Ranch.



**Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:**

There is no recommended course of action or motion requested at this time.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: April 5, 2022

Prepared by: Jennifer Strawbridge

Title of Agenda Item: Benchmark Assessment Fall to Winter Growth Presentation

Item Type:       Action             Information             Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

All BOCES schools administer a benchmark assessment in the fall, winter, and spring of each year. This presentation will focus on the percentage of students in each school, with both a fall and winter test score, who achieved 50<sup>th</sup> percentile growth from fall 2021 to winter of the 2021-22 school year. Reading, mathematics, and writing results will be presented.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Attached is the 2021-22 fall to winter growth results at the school level in each subject area (reading, mathematics, and writing).

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

There is no recommended course of action or motion requested at this time.



## BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Board Meeting Date:** April 5, 2022

**Prepared by:** Annette Ridgway

**Title of Agenda Item:** 2022-2023 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)). During the 2020-2021 school year, board meetings were held the third Tuesday of the month. During the 2021-2022 school year, board meetings were held on the first Tuesday of the month

### **Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:**

The administration requests the BOD to set a regular meeting schedule for the 2022-2023 school year for planning and consistency purposes. The administration proposes meeting from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm on the first Thursday of the month.

### **Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:**

No motion requested.



## BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Board Meeting Date:** April 5, 2022

**Prepared by:** Annette Ridgway

**Title of Agenda Item:** 2022-2023 Budget Planning

**Item Type:**     Action     Information     Discussion

### **Background Information, Description of Need:**

Each spring, we begin planning for the upcoming fiscal year budget. Planning begins around the two factors that drive revenue: 1) per-pupil revenue (PPR) and, 2) funded student count (sFTE). Expenditures are then right-sized to revenue and fund balance goals.

### **Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:**

- Per Joint Budget Committee Analyst Recommendations, an 8% PPR increase, ~ \$635/sFTE, is anticipated for FY 2022-2023.
- Early school enrollment estimates indicate an increase of 236 sFTE for FY 2022-2023. The increase represents 6% growth over FY 2021-2022.
- The 2022-2023 budget will reflect the continued commitment of ERBOCES to use unrestricted fund balance for new school loans and to pre-fund new schools until October count is final and the CDE funds ERBOCES for enrollment increases.

### **Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:**

No motion requested. A preliminary budget will be presented at the May board meeting.