



Board Meeting Agenda

January 11, 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 December 7, 2021 board meeting minutes
- IV. ACTION ITEMS
 - A. MOU Exploration – Ken Witt
 - B. 2021-2022 Amended Budget – Annette Ridgway
 - C. Establishment of board standing committees
- V. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. Legislative Issues and Updates – Amy Attwood
 - B. School Applications – Ken Witt
 - C. Online School Presentations – Suzanne Romero & Kindra Whitmyre
 - D. Graduation Update – Suzanne Romero
 - E. Orton Scorecard – Jennifer Strawbridge & Kindra Whitmyre
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BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

Prepared by: Ken Witt

Title of Agenda Item: (IV. A) MOU Exploration

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 without an MOU, the BOCES hopes to pursue MOUs with school districts where current schools reside and where potential schools might reside.

Staff seeks board approval to explore the potential for MOUs with any districts that would be interested. For an existing school, the opportunity is to strengthen school/community relations. For any potential new brick-and-mortar school, such an MOU would be necessary this year. In such a case, the normal process of application, review, and board approval would still apply before a school could be authorized, but an MOU in such an instance is a necessary first step.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Many board changes in the recent election make the opportunity for MOU conversations more promising than before.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

A motion is requested to authorize the Executive Director to explore MOU opportunities with school districts of existing and potential brick-and-mortar schools.



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Board Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: 2021-2022 Amended Budget

Item Type: ☒ Action ☐ Information ☐ Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

Colorado Revised Statute 22-44-110(5) indicates that “After the adoption of the budget, the board may review and change the budget, with respect to both revenues and expenditures at any time prior to January 31 of the fiscal year for which the budget was adopted.” This item is presented in compliance with statutory guidance.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

A preliminary 2021-2022 Amended Budget was presented to the board at the December board meeting. Further, it was the administration’s intention to present the final 2021-2022 Amended Budget for board approval at the regularly scheduled January board meeting. However, unforeseen illness and notice of a possible per pupil revenue rate change has delayed completion of a final 2021-2022 Amended Budget until after the regularly scheduled January board meeting. As noted in the background information, an Amended Budget must be adopted by January 31.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

The administration requests a Special Board Meeting, to be held between January 24-28, 2022, for the purpose of approving a 2021-2022 Amended Budget.

BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

Prepared by: Marie La Vere-Wright

Title of Agenda Item: Establishment of standing board committees

Item Type: Discussion/ potential action

Background Information, Description of Need: Education Re-envisioned BOCES has grown from supporting a single online school to supporting a diverse portfolio of schools and programs operating throughout Colorado educating close to 5000 students. In the past, the BOCES board has established short-term ad-hoc committees to work through specific issues, but it has not had standing committees. The organization has now grown to a size that establishing standing board committees is an appropriate next step in providing good governance. Two initial committees to consider are Finance, and New School Application Review. Others to be considered in the future could be External Relations, and School Performance.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes: It is standard practice in school districts to have board members serve on additional committees. This allows board members to develop a more in-depth understanding of the district they lead, and it allows the districts to utilize the unique talents board members bring to the table. Although Education Re-Envisioned is not a school district, we are operating schools, and it would be appropriate to adopt a similar approach. The expected outcomes are a more involved and engaged board of directors, a BOCES closely aligned to member goals, and continued growth in excellence of the BOCES itself.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested: I move to establish Board of Director standing committees for Finance and New School Application Review.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: January 11, 2021

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: Legislative Issues and Update

Item Type: ☐ Action ☐ Information ☒ Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

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: January 11, 2022

Prepared by: Ken Witt

Title of Agenda Item: (V. B) 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.

1) 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.

2) Renaissance Innovation Academy (home school enrichment programs) Application - Eric Dinell's X8 Global Education Solutions has submitted an application for Renaissance Home School Enrichment, a set of home school enrichment programs which are a replication and extension of programs already running in Pueblo with Pueblo School for the Arts and Sciences: a combined fine/performing arts/creative writing (RIA), construction (FRCA), outdoor/environment education (AIPA), and agriculture/animal sciences (CAESA).

3) My Tech High – (discussion is scheduled for February meeting, but application is attached as offered in December meeting).

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

The review panels for both of these applications unanimously recommended that we authorize them.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

First review only. No motion is requested.



BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Board Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

Prepared by: Kindra Whitmyre and Suzanne Romero

Title of Agenda Item: Online School Presentations

Item Type: ☐ Action ☐ Information ☒ Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

The Education reEnvisioned BOCES no longer requires monthly school board reports from school leaders due to the increase in authorized schools. We are requiring now that all schools present to the board mid-year.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Our two online schools will present first.

Nicole Tiley, Head of School for Stride, is in attendance and will present for Colorado Preparatory Academy and Pikes Peak Online School.

Darla Gardner, Head of School for Connections, is also attending and will present for Colorado Summit Connections Academy.

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: January 11, 2022

Prepared by: Kindra Whitmyre and Suzanne Romero

Title of Agenda Item: Graduation Update

Item Type: ☐ Action ☐ Information ☒ Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

In the past couple of years, our schools have had to have alternative graduation plans due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Education reEnvisioned BOCES staff has started planning with the school leaders to promptly communicate necessary information and invitations.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

At this time, our schools are tentatively planning the following graduation ceremonies:

Colorado Preparatory Academy High School and Pikes Peak Online School will be in-person graduation ceremonies with a mask-mandate at this time. The ceremonies will be held on May 27, 2022, at 9 AM for CPA and 11 AM for PPOS at the Denver Convention Center.

Connections Summit Academy will be in-person graduation ceremony with no mask-mandate at this time. Proof of vaccination or a negative covid test within 72 hours of the ceremony is required to attend. The ceremony will be held on June 3rd at 11 AM at Shea Stadium in Highlands Ranch.

Ascend College Prep will hold an in-person graduation ceremony with a mask-mandate at this time. The ceremony will be held on May 22, 2022, at 1 PM at Doolittle Hall on the Air Force Academy grounds.

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: **January 11, 2022**

Prepared by: **Jennifer Strawbridge and Kindra Whitmyre**

Title of Agenda Item: **Orton - First Quarter Scorecard**

Item Type: ☐ Action ☐ Information ☒ Discussion

Background Information, Description of Need:

The Education reEnvisioned school accreditation plan includes scoring our schools in the areas of Academics, Finance, Operations and Education Service Provider (ESP) or Leadership through our school scorecards each quarter. Each area has several metrics designed to develop a more complete picture of our school's ability to serve their students and remain compliant with the BOCES and the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) requirements and submissions.

Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:

Attached is the Orton Academy 1st quarter scorecard which will be discussed during the Board of Directors meeting. The Orton Academy scoring guide can be found on the 2nd page for reference in the scoring of each metric.

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

No recommended course of action or motion requested at this time.