

### **Board Meeting Agenda**

December 7, 2021 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 board meeting minutes

### IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Officer Election, Vice President – Annette Ridgway

### V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Legislative Issues and Updates Amy Attwood
- B. Home School Enrichment Program Proposal Ken Witt
- C. School Scorecards Jennifer Strawbridge
- D. 2021-2022 Amended Budget 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 Meeting Date: December 7, 2021

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: Officer Election, Vice President

Item Type: 
Consent Agenda 
Action 
Discussion 
Information

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

Former Vice-President, Dan Snowberger, resigned from the board in June, 2021.

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

Board Policy 3C.2.d. ii states, "A vacancy in the office of Vice President shall be filled by election."

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

Nomination and Election for the office of Vice-President.



**Board Meeting Date:** December 7, 2021

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: Legislative Issues and Update

**Item Type:**  $\Box$  Action  $\Box$  Information  $\boxtimes$  Discussion

**Background Information, Description of Need:** 

**Relevant Data and Expected Outcomes:** 

Verbal update by Amy Attwood.

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



Board Meeting Date:December 7, 2021Prepared by:Ken WittTitle of Agenda Item:(V. B) Home School Enrichment Program ProposalItem Type:X 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 across the state has continued to increase.

My Tech High, a home school enrichment program already authorized in Vilas and Kiowa, small rural districts, and operating in partnership with Colorado Early Colleges, seeks authorization for a state-wide program. We reviewed the program for a possible pilot last year, but elected to do a more thorough review of the programs operations before considering authorization.

The program is innovative, allowing families to highly customize the enrichment curriculum to the student's interests. The flexibility of the program necessitates that the BOCES apply great care in the agreement as well as the annual review to ensure full compliance with CDE and statutory requirements.

With a track record of parent satisfaction and demand for this program in Colorado, witnessed by rapid growth to over 1000 students, it is in the best interest of Colorado homeschooling families to expand access to My Tech High's home school enrichment program beyond those families connected with CEC, and Vilas and Kiowa school districts.

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

My Tech High is a Utah-based company, with approximately 1500 Colorado homeschooling students enrolled in their programs in Colorado. The BOCES seeks board authorization to enter into an agreement with <u>My Tech High</u> for educational services in the form of a new BOCES home school enrichment program.

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

We request a motion to authorize the My Tech High home school enrichment program as described in the submitted proposal and to authorize the BOCES to enter into an educational services agreement with My Tech High.



Board Meeting Date: December 7, 2018 Prepared by: Jennifer Strawbridge and Kindra Whitmyre Title of Agenda Item: First Quarter Scorecards

Item Type:  $\Box$  Action  $\Box$  Information X 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:

Our first quarter school scorecards will be provided to the Board of Directors (BOD) prior to the board meeting for review. Each scorecard has a scoring guide on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page for reference in the scoring of each metric. The following schools will be included in this discussion:

Colorado Preparatory Academy Elementary	Pueblo Classical Academy
Colorado Preparatory Academy Middle School	Merit Academy
Colorado Preparatory Academy High School	Ascend College Prep
Pikes Peak Online School	Haven Homeschool
Orton Academy	Prenda Homeschool
<b>Colorado Summit Connections Academy</b>	Williamsburg Learning Homeschool

Recommended Course of Action/Motion Requested:

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



Board Meeting Date: December 7, 2021

Prepared by: Annette Ridgway

Title of Agenda Item: 2021-2022 Amended Budget

**Item Type:**  $\Box$  Action  $\Box$  Information  $\boxtimes$  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:**

- Student enrollment fell by 25% or 1,414 students from the Original Budget resulting in a \$11.6M decrease in Program Revenue. The Program Revenue decrease is offset by a decrease in Professional-Educational Services Expense of \$10.9M.
- Grant Revenue increased significantly by \$1.6M from the Original Budget due to the following:
  - 2020-2021 student count increase (used for some 2021-2022 grant allocation calculations)
  - Covid-19 related grants
  - New grant opportunities

Grant Revenue is offset entirely by Grant Funded Services Expense.

- \$40K received from the Daniels Fund to promote school choice is added to Other Revenue in the Amended Budget. An offsetting expense is included in Special Projects Expense.
- Salaries & Benefits Expense decreased \$10K from the Original Budget for a yet unfilled administrative position. This expense decrease is partially offset by a \$6K increase in Professional Services for an independent contractor to assist with staff transitions.
- Insurance Expense increased \$33K as a result of the 2020-2021 student count increase.
- Slight increases to Technical Services Expense (\$2K) and Other Expense (\$5K) to reflect actual expense trends.

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

No motion is requested at this time. The final 2021-2022 Amended Budget will be presented for approval at the January board meeting.