

Unofficial

MEEKER AND WRIGHT SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

Board Meeting - Joint Powers Board #0938

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Virtual

PRESENT: Cindy Miller, Paul Zabinski, Amy Johnson, Jessica Johnson, Katie Koch, Julie Rae Pennertz.

ABSENT: Joe Paumen, Gena Jacobson

OTHERS PRESENT: Janell Bullard, Scott LeSage and Jill Sundblad

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 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 Jessica Johnson. Roll call vote: Paul Zabinski, Aye; Cindy Miller, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Jessica Johnson, Aye.

IV. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting was made by Julie Rae Pennertz, seconded by Jessica Johnson. Roll call vote: Paul Zabinski, Aye; Cindy Miller, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Jessica Johnson, Aye.

V. Bills for Payment and other financial reports as attached

Motion to approve the bills for payment and other financial reports for February was made by Jessica Johnson, seconded by Amy Johnson. Roll call vote: Paul Zabinski, Aye; Cindy Miller, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Jessica Johnson, Aye.

VI. Fund Transfers

January 7, 2021 - \$500,000

January 25, 2021 - \$250,000

Motion to approve the fund transfers as listed for January was made by Katie Koch, seconded by Julie Rae Pennertz. Roll call vote: Paul Zabinski, Aye; Cindy Miller, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Jessica Johnson, Aye.

VII. Acknowledgement - School Board Recognition Week, February 22-26, 2021

VIII. Reports

A. Director Report – Janell Bullard thanked the board members for their time and effort put forth on the MAWSECO Board. In addition, she shared a YouTube link for a virtual tour

of the Wings and Westside Care and Treatment sites. Ms. Bullard also shared the Child Count Summary review along with the dates for the MASA and Day at the Capitol for our region which is March 16 and the MASE Week at the Capitol which is March 1-4. In addition, Ms. Bullard reported that MAWSECO is actively seeking paraprofessionals to fill our open positions and there are interviews scheduled for School Psychologist positions. Finally, Ms Bullard reminded the board of our Strategic Plan Focus.

B. Business Manager Report – Scott LeSage provided an update on the mid-year budget reviews done with the site leaders. Mr. LeSage also provided an update on the 403(b) Committee meeting. He also mentioned that the first monthly MAWSECO member district business managers meeting will be taking place. Finally, Mr. LeSage provided an update on the CARES Act funding that MAWSECO has received.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

Motion to approve the personnel items as listed was made by Jessica Johnson, seconded by Katie Koch. Roll call vote: Paul Zabinski, Aye; Cindy Miller, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Jessica Johnson, Aye.

1. Request for FMLA: Emily Hilbelink, Behavior Analyst, 12 weeks beginning August 1, 2021
2. Employment: At-Will Agreement, Ashley Guertin, Human Resources Coordinator, 260 days, effective March 1, 2021.
3. Resignation: Anne Uecker, Paraprofessional (STEP Program) effective March 8, 2021
4. Employment: Trent Elder, 1-1 Paraprofessional (Village Ranch Program) effective

February 19, 2021

B. Review revision of Village Ranch 2020-2021 Calendar (Attached)

Motion to approve the revised 2020-2021 calendar for Village Ranch mad by Paul Zabinski, seconded by Katie Koch. Roll call vote: Paul Zabinski, Aye; Cindy Miller, Aye; Amy Johnson, Aye; Katie Koch, Aye; Julie Rae Pennertz, Aye; Jessica Johnson, Aye.

X. Future Board Meetings

A. March 23, 2021, 6:30 p.m., In Person – Contact Janell with concerns

B. April 27, 2021, 6:30 p.m., TBD

XI. Future Committee Meetings

A. Meet and Confer, Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 4:00 p.m. - Virtual

B. 403(b) Committee Meeting, Thursday, February 25, 2021, 5:00 p.m. - Virtual

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Submitted by,
Janell Bullard
Executive Secretary

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