

CENTENNIAL BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 15, 2010
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

1.0 OPENING OF MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Centennial Board of Cooperative Educational Services met on July 15, 2010 at the Centennial BOCES Office - 2020 Clubhouse Drive – Greeley, Colorado.

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

Mr. John Dudley Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.2 SELF INTRODUCTIONS

1.3 ROLL CALL

- 1) Connie Allmer, Alternate - Briggsdale RE-10
- 2) Mike Dixon, Brush RE-2J
- 3) John Dudley, Ault-Highland RE-9
- 4) Josh Fox, Platte Valley RE-7
- 5) Marsha Harris, Weld RE-1
- 6) Marianne Kaiser, Prairie RE-11
- 7) Tony Paglia, Park R-3
- 8) Rod Schmidt, St Vrain RE-1J
- 9) Mike Steinbach, Wiggins RE-50J
- 10) Tim Swain, Eaton RE-2
- 11) Don Wilson, Johnstown/Milliken RE-5J *

* Mr. Wilson was not present at Roll Call. He arrived during Action Item 3.1

Board Members (or alternates) absent:

- 1) Mary Burson – Pawnee RE-12
- 2) Rob Carruth, Morgan RE-3
- 3) Sheryl Groves, Weldon Valley RE-20J

Superintendents present:

- 1) Linda Chapman, Park R-3
- 2) Priscilla Huston, Brush RE-2J
- 3) Jo Barbie, Weld RE-1
- 4) Glenn McClain, Platte Valley RE-7
- 5) Greg Wagers, Morgan RE-3
- 6) Rick Mondt, Briggsdale RE-10

BOCES Staff present:

Randy Zila, Executive Director
Terry Buswell, Chief Financial Officer / HR / Technology Director
Mary Ellen Good, Federal Programs / Learning Services Director
Jocelyn Walters, Special Ed / Gifted & Talented Director
Melony Sandquist, Executive Administrative Assistant

Guests:

Ms. Denise Atkinson-Shorey, Representing the EAGLE-Net Alliance
Mr. Ken Fellman, CBOCES Counsel for the EAGLE-Net Broadband Grant
Mr. Bob Brunner, Adesta
Ms. Lisa Monroe, IBM

2.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Tony Paglia moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Mr. Mike Steinbach.

The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote: [Connie Allmer, yes; Mike Dixon, yes; John Dudley, yes; Josh Fox, yes; Marsha Harris, yes; Marianna Kaiser, yes; Tony Paglia, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Mike Steinbach, yes; Tim Swain, yes]

2.2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Tony Paglia moved to approve the Minutes from June 17, 2010. Seconded by Mr. Tim Swain.

The motion passed by a majority roll call vote: [Connie Allmer, yes; Mike Dixon, yes; John Dudley, abstain; Josh Fox, yes; Marsha Harris, yes; Marianna Kaiser, abstain; Tony Paglia, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Mike Steinbach, yes; Tim Swain, yes]

3.1 ACTION ITEM - PERSONNEL

Ms. Marianne Kaiser moved to approve the appointment of Ms. Jocelyn Walters as the Special Education Director. Seconded by Mr. Mike Steinbach.

The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote: [Connie Allmer, yes; Mike Dixon, yes; John Dudley, yes; Josh Fox, yes; Marsha Harris, yes; Marianna Kaiser, yes; Tony Paglia, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Mike Steinbach, yes; Tim Swain, yes; Don Wilson, yes]

4.0 BROADBAND GRANT DISCUSSION / REVIEW

Report from Dr. Randy Zila:

- An update was given on the conference calls and face-to-face meetings that had taken place since the last Board Meeting on June 17th
- IBM and Adesta folks have been very helpful in working through all the questions / answers
- The Centennial BOCES Broadband Grant Task Force has met on numerous occasions and have been very diligent – a thank you to everyone for their time and effort on this process
- Mr. Ken Fellman has worked very hard to listen and respond to all requests
- Spent several hours on the phone with three attorneys this week – Mr. Dick Bump, Mr. Jim Branum and Mr. Ken Fellman – to review and modify the IGA which is being presented this evening in Draft form
- Bottom line, if received, the Broadband Grant funds will benefit the State of Colorado and the School Districts in a positive way

Report from Mr. Ken Fellman:

- There will be compensation to Centennial BOCES for the transfer / sale of the registered name EAGLE-Net
- We are still in the Due Diligence Process. It is unclear how much longer this will take
- Perry Movick was planning to attend the meeting, but has been contacted several times today by the NTIA requesting more information. Perry felt he should stay close to the phone and his computer in case more requests come through
- The EAGLE-Net team is cautiously optimistic that favor is leaning their way as many Grant applicants have already been notified that they will not receive funding
- The NTIA has contacted Denise Atkinson-Shorey that they are writing a report to move forward with Centennial BOCES (what that means exactly is unclear)
- Mr. Fellman reported on the many changes that have been made to the IGA from the first Draft that was presented to the Board at the May meeting (creation date 3/16/10)
 - Mr. Fellman presented Board Members with two documents for review and discussion:
 1. Attorney – Client Privileged Memorandum
Legal Opinion on Liability Issues Related to the Eagle-Net Alliance
 2. EAGLE-Net Intergovernmental Agreement (creation date 7/15/10)

Mr. John Dudley recommended that a tentative Special Board Meeting be scheduled for August 19th to continue review of the Broadband Grant scenario and to formally appoint the “EAGLE-Net Alliance Board”.

Mr. Tim Swain moved that the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) presented to the Board and referenced in the minutes of this meeting be approved as to form, and that the President of the Board be authorized to execute the IGA in the form so presented, conditioned upon the receipt by Centennial Board of Cooperative Educational Services of NTIA Broadband Technology Opportunities Program grant funds for the purpose of expanding, developing, and accessing broadband infrastructure and services in Colorado. Seconded by Mr. Rod Schmidt

The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote: [Connie Allmer, yes; Mike Dixon, yes; John Dudley, yes; Josh Fox, yes; Marsha Harris, yes; Marianna Kaiser, yes; Tony Paglia, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Mike Steinbach, yes; Tim Swain, yes; Don Wilson, yes]

It was clarified that the IGA would not be signed at this meeting. The IGA format was approved, but would not be signed unless the Grant is awarded.

Mr. Dudley opened the floor to comments. The general sense around the room was positive and optimistic regarding the Broadband Grant project and the work that had been accomplished since May 20th. Many individuals expressed their prior concern and anxiety around the Grant, but now feel that questions have been addressed and answered in a forthright manner, thanking Dr. Zila for his persistence and time spent to bring transparency to the process.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. John Dudley adjourned the meeting at 7:11 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Melony Sandquist, Executive Administrative Assistant
Centennial BOCES