

**BITTERROOT VALLEY EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Tuesday, May 25, 2021
9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order** – Mr. DoBell called the meeting to order at 9:05. Board members in attendance: Mr. DoBell, Mr. Toynbee, and Mr. Pearson. Board members not in attendance: Dr. Moore and Mr. Rayburn. BVEC admin staff in attendance Rammell and Hughes. BVEC staff in attendance: L Pepion and T Olds. Board Clerk: Reynolds.
- 2. Consent Agenda** – No comment or questions. Motion to approve consent agenda by Mr. Toynbee, second by Mr. Pearson. No Discussion. Mr. DoBell called for the vote; motion carries unanimously 3-0.
 - A. Minutes
 - B. Warrants
 - C. Financial Report
 - D. Next Meeting – Tuesday, June 22, 2021
- 3. Public Comment** - None
- 4. Correspondence** - None
- 5. Board Action**
 - A. Contract Renewals-Business Manager, Mental Health Program Manager**

Motion to approve contract renewals with 1% wage and 1% benefit adjustments as recommended made by Mr. Toynbee, second by Mr. Pearson. Discussion: Mr. DoBell stated he appreciated the work done by Jill and Chris. He then asked if evaluations had been done. Ms. Rammell replied the formal process would take place in the summer. Mr. DoBell called for the vote; motion carries unanimously 3-0.
 - B. BVEC 2021-2022 Calendar** - Mr. Pearson made a motion to approve the BVEC 2021-2022 calendar as recommended. Second by Mr. Toynbee. No discussion. Mr. DoBell called for the vote; motion carries unanimously 3-0.
 - C. 2021-2022 BVEC Budget Approval** – Ms. Rammell explained she met with all district superintendents to discuss preliminary budget figures. The district contribution increases may be approved this year with caution that continual high percentage increases may not be viable for districts in the future. Mr. DoBell added that he had attended the meeting and echoed the sentiment that high percentage increases could lead to RIF process if enrollment continues to decline, and costs continue to rise. Mr. Toynbee asked how any changes to the number of teams in Darby might affect the District Contributions. Mr. Hughes explained that the mental health program plan is for it to continue to be self-funding and there was no intent at this time to asks districts for any additional funds. Ms. Reynolds explained that CSCT

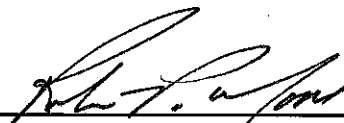
costs do not factor into the District contributions and any changes in CSCT would not impact the district contribution calculation.

Mr. Toynbee made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 budget as recommended. Mr. Pearson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

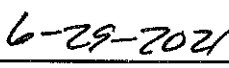
6. Information and Discussion

- A. CSCT Financial Review** – Mr. Hughes explained that there were not any dramatic changes to the CSCT financial review or to the CSCT funding and structure changes that are under discussion by OPI and DPHHS. He is hopeful the meetings will lead to a sustainable CSCT program with both structure changes and reimbursement changes. Mr. DoBell thanked Mr. Hughes for the work he is doing to support CSCT in the schools.
- B. Collective Bargaining Process Nearing Completion** - Mr. DoBell commented that he had been part of the process this year and he thought it had been a good process, although it had been long. He did agree that he felt we were close to completion. Ms. Rammell explained that the language changes had been tentatively agreed to and Union representatives were in the process of a final review before the actual agreement would be updated with all changes and then presented to the Union for ratification. Ms. Rammell added that our attorney, Bea Kaleva, would be reviewing the agreement due to a question that the co-op had asked that was not related to the bargaining process.
- C.** Mr. DoBell had a question regarding negotiation of the Director's contract. This was not part of the agenda, but he was not sure when that would be done. Ms. Rammell explained she had signed a two-year agreement, therefore that would be done next year.

7. **Adjourn** – Mr. DoBell adjourned the meeting at 9:20.



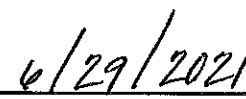
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