

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COOPERATIVE HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES

Board Minutes

The Carbon County Board of Cooperative Higher Education Services (BOCHES) held its regular monthly meeting April 28, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at the Carbon County Higher Education Center in Rawlins, Wyoming.

Members Present

David Dingman called the meeting to order. Members present: David Dingman, Mike Mann, Juli Miller and Pat Sheehan via phone. Also present was David Throgmorton, Shelly Collier, Karen Webster, Sarah Smith, Patty Pedersen and Laurie Heier. Susie Robidoux via Polycom.

Agenda

Juli Miller made the motion to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded and passed.

Consent Agenda

Pat Sheehan made the motion to approve the minutes for March 24, 2011 meeting, Treasurer's Report, and Accounts Payable for April 2011. The motion was seconded and passed.

Action Items

None

Executive Session

None

Discussion Items

- A. Director Review Process: Dave Dingman would like to use the same Director Evaluation form from the last evaluation since there were no objections from employees. No revisions were necessary. Employees will have the opportunity to fill out a review for the Director with submissions due May13, 2011.
- B. Property Considerations: Dave Throgmorton informed the Board that the new property the Carbon County Higher Education Center is interested in buying belongs to the City of Rawlins and is available. The next step in the process is getting a price from the city and they are working on it.
- C. Program Development: Juvenile Offender Services Program. A possible new direction for the Carbon County Higher Education Center. After examining the charter and amendments in our contracts, Dave Throgmorton informed the Board that this new endeavor may fall under our charter of services we provide for our community. Years ago, CCHEC delved into the direction of Industry training and it never really prospered in the way it could have. The need for this type of training seems to have diminished. CCHEC would like to turn its focus more towards juvenile service programs that are educationally based. Currently, there is not enough help for juveniles in our community that need assistance. A great need in the community has been expressed. Dave Throgmorton envisions a lockdown facility, fourteen-sixteen (14-16) beds, and other organizations paying for space that would be part of the services provided to the kids. There is federal money available to help start this program. Since there aren't any facilities in Carbon County, kids must be sent elsewhere for help, Carbon County still pays any facility that houses them. Dave Throgmorton plans to confer with folks who are familiar with how these facilities are

run and he plans to put together a business plan for the Board if they agree to proceed in this direction.

The Board decided they would like to see the business plan. Many considerations and questions were brought up about the Juvenile Services program and these will be addressed in following meetings.

Dave Dingman would like to see a resolution added to the next meeting agenda for May 2011.

Director's Report

Dave Throgmorton informed the board about Tera Larson's nomination and acceptance into the Casper Star Tribune "Top 20 Under 40" class. This is a group of young people in Wyoming who are making a significant difference in their communities. Congratulations to Tera Larson!

Staff Comments

Sarah Smith introduced herself to the Board and reported on what she is currently working on. This includes the partnership with the Mayo Clinic and the Company Wellness program, Community Garden Project, Career Step partnership and hospital training.

Shelly Collier mentioned that she would email the board members their identification codes for the Mayo Clinic Website.

Laurie Heier introduced herself to the Board.

Susie Robidoux from Baggs reported that they had one hundred (100) kids participate in the tumbling class and twenty (20) students participate in a recent memoir writing class.

Patty Pedersen reported that we have twenty-two (22) students who are graduating this spring from WWCC. Eleven more students received certificates. There were a total of two hundred twenty six (226) students enrolled in Spring semester between Rawlins and Baggs.

Board Comments

None

Board Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled to be held May 26, 2011 at the Carbon County Higher Education Center. The meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned

The motion to adjourn the board meeting was given at 5:28 pm. The motion was seconded and passed.

David Dingman, Chairperson

Mike Mann, Clerk

Karen Webster, Executive Admin. Assistant