

REGIONAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE VII

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MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the REC VII Board of Directors was held at the REC 7 Board Room on June 08, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brian Snider, President
Gene Strickland, Vice President
Greg Slover, Secretary
Dwain Haynes, Member
Cliff Burch, Executive Director/REC VII
Pat Jaco, Director of Finance/REC VII

Guests: Andi Engle, Special Education Director, Hobbs Municipal Schools

The meeting was called to order @ 10:00 a.m. by Mr. Snider.

AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Strickland for approval of Consideration of Agenda (06/08/2023); motion unanimously carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Strickland to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting (05/11/2023); motion unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion by Mr. Strickland for approval of Entitlement, Preschool, Title II, Medicaid, REC Operational, Pre-K, and State Directed Activities (May 2023)

DWAIN HAYNES
Superintendent
Eunice Public Schools

GENE STRICKLAND
Superintendent
Hobbs Municipal Schools

BRIAN SNIDER
Superintendent
Jal Public Schools

GREG SLOVER
Superintendent
Tatum Municipal Schools

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
OT**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of OT contract for Teri Marie Appleton for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
SLP**

Motion by Mr. Slover for approval of SLP contract for Lindsey Broom for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
BILINGUAL EDUCATIONAL
DIAGNOSTICIAN**

Motion by Mr. Strickland for approval of Bilingual Educational Diagnostician contract for Marisol Cardenas for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion passed, Mr. Haynes voted no.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
BUSINESS MANAGER**

Motion by Mr. Strickland for approval of Business Manager contract for Pat Jaco for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
EARLY CHILDHOOD
INSTRUCTIONAL COACH**

Motion by Mr. Slover for approval of contract of Early Childhood Coach for Dymorie Maker for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF MEDICAID
COORDINATOR**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of Medicaid Coordinator contract for Gilda Pena for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
LCSW**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of LCSW contract for Catherine Sims for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
CHILD PSYCHOLOGIST**

No action-nomination for approval of Child Psychologist contract for Monica Smart for 7/1/2023-6/30/2024; no action taken, no motion.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT
AUDIT**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of Audit contract with Woodard, Cowen & Co. for 2022-2023 audit; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF ANCILLARY
BID 23-24-1**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of Ancillary Bid 23-24-1; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF 3-WAY
AGREEMENTS**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of 2023-2024 3-Way Agreements; motion unanimously carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF
APPROVAL OF ANNUAL
PUBLIC NOTICE
REGULATIONS**

Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of REC7's Annual Public Notice of Regulations; motion unanimously carried.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR REC7'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS Motion by Mr. Strickland for approval of Election of Officers for REC7's Board of Directors. President-Brian Snider, Vice President-Gene Strickland, Secretary-Greg Slover; motion unanimously carried.

SUPERINTENDENT DISCUSSION:

Executive Session:

- A. Limited Personnel Item-Executive Director
Time: 10:22 a.m.
Motion: Mr. Haynes Second: Mr. Strickland
Roll Call Vote: yes
- B. Return to Regular Session
Time: 10:37 a.m.
Motion: Mr. Strickland Second: Mr. Slover
Roll Call Vote: yes
- C. Action In Executive Session
No Action

CONSIDERATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION Motion by Mr. Haynes for approval of April Williams as the new Executive Director of REC7: motion unanimously carried.

INFORMATION:

Executive Director Discussion:

1. Medicaid Information for May 2023.
2. Submitted BARS & Adjusted Budget
3. State Academic Competition Proclamation-The City of Hobbs presented a proclamation to recognize the academic team last Monday night. This was a very nice event to recognize the students and coaches "Regional Education Cooperative Day". In addition, I met with Jordan King and others to discuss the plans for next year. Right now, the plan is: There will be 4 competitions before State with one of them being a practice (September). Others are October, November, and January. Funding should not be a problem with the Academic Competition regardless. - Handout
4. IDEA-B Applications-Everyone had their applications submitted and there were a few requests for needed information. I sent your SPED Directors the updated Policy and Procedures Manual last week. The application and policy will need to be approved at your upcoming board meetings if parts B and C information has been released (preschool allocations) that will need to be included. Jal and Tatum on the 12th -I will not be able to attend. Eunice on the 19th and Hobbs on the 20th - Info
5. CES Handouts, Title IX Sexual Harassment-I have given you two articles from Jim at CES regarding sexual harassment claims under Title IX and a Supreme Court decision from the US Supreme Court regarding ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) - Handout
6. AT&T School Safety-US Supreme Court IDEA Decision-In your folder there is information we were asked to provide regarding ways to enhance school safety and connectivity. - Handout

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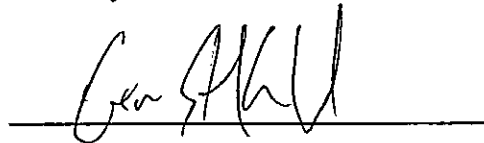
7. SMU District Leadership Fellows-Also in your folder is information on this. The application deadline has been extended to June 30, 2023. -- Handout
8. Subject On-Line Learning Platform-This is from David Chavez who visited with Brian about doing a presentation to the board. Brian will expand on this. -- Handout
9. Upcoming Trainings/Events
 - A. Legal Counsel Call-June 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m.
 - B. Monthly Secretary Call-June 22, 2023, 9:00 a.m.
 - C. NMCEL Conference July 17-21, 2023
 - D. SPED Law Conference September 12-13, 2023, Remote
 - E. Lea County Fair & Rodeo-August 4-12, 2023
 - F. REC7 Closed July 4, 2023
 - G. Next Meeting Scheduled for August 10, 2023

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the Regular Board Meeting of 06/08/2023 was adjourned at 11:00 a.m., motioned by Mr. Strickland; motion unanimously carried.



April Williams

REC VII Executive Director



Brian Snider

REC VII Board President