

Southwest Colorado Education Collaborative

Board Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2021

11:00 a.m.

Board Members

Present: Kevin Aten, Tom Stritikus, LaTitia Taylor, Kim White, Kym LeBlanc-Esparza, Sam Dosumu, Gisele Panzse, Nick Olson, Troy Dyer

Absent: Kim White

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present

Jess Morrison

Cara McKenna

Hannah Sharfman

Alana Romans

Molly Turner

Proceedings

- I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 11:07am MST

- II. Welcome, introductions, and review of agenda
- III. Discussion and possible action of June 22, 2021 and July 22, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion made by LaTitia Taylor. Seconded by Dr. Dosumu. Vote is 6-0. June 22, 2021 and July 22, 2021. Meeting minutes are approved

- IV. Discussion and possible action on SWCEC new board members

Each new board nominee introduces themselves and provides a brief background and their desire to join the SWCEC.

Motion to approve Gisele Pansze as a SWCEC board member. Motion made by Tom Stritikus Seconded: La Titia Taylor

Dr. Dosumu: Yes
Stritikus: Yes
Dyer: Yes
LeBlanc-Esparza: Yes
Aten: Yes
Kim White: Absent

Motion Passes 6-0. Gisele Pansze is officially approved as SWCEC board member

Motion to approve Nick Olson as a SWCEC board member. Motion made by Tom Stritikus Seconded: Dr. Sam Dosumu

Dr. Dosumu: Yes
Stritikus: Yes
Dyer: Yes
LeBlanc-Esparza: Yes
Aten: Yes
Kim White: Absent

Motion Passes 6-0. Nick Olson is officially approved as SWCEC board member.

V. Southwest Colorado Education Collaborative Updates by Executive Director Jessica Morrison

Presentations made by Alette Frank (FLC), Alana Romans (Lyra), with ECI updates and by Molly Turner (Ignacio CTE teacher) with Building Trades updates.

Jess Morrison provides nonprofit updates on grant progress and upcoming events, including the Bond to Business event, a monthly column in the Durango Herald for the SWCEC, and the Kiwanis Club presentation

VI. Discussion and possible action Roles and Responsibilities

Jess Morrison gives an update on the roles and responsibilities of the Steering Committee, Executive Director, and Board of Directors

Question from Tom Stritikus: Has there been discussion with the Steering Committee on the roles/responsibilities as well. Would like their formal endorsement of the description of the role presented on the slides.

VII. Discussion and possible action on the SWCEC Mission/Vision Statement

Motion made by LaTitia Taylor. Seconded by Troy Dyer. Motion is 8-0. SWCEC Mission/Vision (1.0) statement is approved

VIII. Discussion and possible action SWCEC Strategic Plan

Kevin Aten: The timeline seems aligned with what was discussed during the retreat. Other board members agreeing through comments in the chat box.

IX. Discussion and possible action on choosing a time for future meeting

Friday, October 15th (morning/afternoon)

Tuesday, October 19th (afternoon)

October 26th (afternoon)

October 29th (all day)

Empower Schools will send a Doodle poll to get a meeting scheduled for October.

X. Meeting adjournment

Motion made by LaTitia Taylor. Seconded by Dr. Dosumu. Motion passes 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 12:08 MST.