

Minutes

**Regional Council Meeting
Beckley, West Virginia
February 18, 2011**

ATTENDANCE:

Regional Council Members Present

McDowell County

J. Michael Callaway, Board Member

Mercer County

Mary Alice Kaufman, Board Member
Teresa Farley, Teacher

Monroe County

Danny

Dr. Kevin Siers, Superintendent
Lively, Board Member

Raleigh County

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Dr. Charlotte Hutchens, Superintendent
ynthia Jafary, Board Member
Darrin Butcher, Treasurer, Raleigh County Schools

Summers County

Vickie Hinerman, Superintendent
Dr. Sarah Brown, Chief Instructional Leader
David Ballard, Board Member

Wyoming County

James McGrady, Assistant Superintendent
Morgan Davis, Board Member

Higher Education

Dr. Santina St. John, Concord University

WVDE

Sarah Lyons, Instructional Technology Office WVDE

Regional Council Members Not Present

Dr. Deborah Akers, Superintendent, Mercer County
Jim Brown, Superintendent, McDowell County
Clyde Stepp, Principal, Board Member, Raleigh County
Frank Blackwell, Superintendent, Wyoming County
Dr. Tom Blevins, Bluefield State College
Dr. Kathy Liptak, Concord University
Dr. Kathy D'Antoni, Assistant State Superintendent of Schools

RESA-1 Staff Present

Keith Butcher, Executive Director, RESA 1
LaDawn Mitchem, Executive Secretary, RESA 1
Jamie Bailey, Medicaid Specialist, RESA 1
Linda Ballard-Price, Staff Development Coordinator, RESA 1

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Vickie Hinerman, Superintendent, Summers County Schools, RESA 1 Regional Council Vice-Chairperson.

REPORTS:

State Board of Education Report: Sarah Lyons, Instructional Technology Office WVDE provided to the regional council a brief update from the State Department of Education. She reported the three top goals in legislative session right now was, (1) removing the RESA funding cap, (2) providing teacher raises and (3) increasing technology funding.

Financial Report Update: The financial reports for January 2011 were posted online prior to the meeting and were available for review. Keith Butcher, RESA 1 Executive Director and Darrin Butcher, Treasurer, Raleigh County Schools, were available for discussion and to answer any questions. There were no questions or discussion.

Medicaid Report Update: The Medicaid Reports for January 2011 were posted online prior to the meeting and were available for review. Keith Butcher, RESA 1 Executive Director and Jamie Bailey, Medicaid Specialist, RESA 1 were available for discussion and to answer any questions. There were no questions or discussion.

Employee Status Reports: The employee status reports for January 2011 were posted online prior to the meeting and were available for review. There were no questions or discussion concerning the status reports.

Executive Director's Report: The Executive Director's Report was posted online prior to the meeting and was available for review. Mr. Butcher discussed the development of a Chemistry 9-Adult Certification program of study for secondary Science teachers. Course work, including labs, will need to be offered at times and in formats so that existing secondary Science teachers can participate. With all high school students required to complete a Chemistry course, additional teachers for Chemistry will be needed. Next steps will be to conduct a survey of high school teachers to determine level of interest and the specific course schedule to be offered.

INFORMATION / DISCUSSION:

onTargetWV Credit Recovery Program – Sarah Lyons, Instructional Technology Office, WVDE shared with the regional council information on the WVDE credit recovery online program. West Virginia high schools can utilize these courses to assist students in credit recovery.

Point Your Peeps in the Right Direction – Brandi Seabolt, MS, Specialist, Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Initiative presented to the regional council with information on the prevention of teenage pregnancy in the schools. Each county was given materials and information that can be placed in the schools, including addresses where additional materials could be ordered.

Creating an Environment to Interest More Females in Information Technology Careers–Dr. Peggy Meszaros, William E. Lavery Professor of Human Development and Director, Center for Information Technology Impacts on Children, Youth, and Families, Virginia Tech. Dr. Meszaros presented the regional council with information The Power of Partners. This program was created to assist women in workforce development, educational outreach and economic development. It promotes underserved young women's interest in local/regional jobs requiring information technology skills.

Save on Delivery Program – Steve Harth of the International Shippers Association presented to the regional council a proposed plan through RESA 1 to save counties money on delivery costs. Each county was given a brochure "**Cutting Your Costs**" which outlined 4 easy steps to enroll in ESA Educational Shippers Association.

RESA 1 Policy and Procedures – Keith Butcher presented the regional council with the RESA 1 Employee Schedule and the RESA 1 Travel Reimbursement Policies. These policies were discussed and a motion was made to place the policies on the RESA 1 website for a twenty-day public comment.

Regional Council Meeting Schedule – The following changes have been made to the Regional Council Schedule:

Friday, March 11, 2011 changed to Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 10am
Friday, April 8, 2011 changed to Thursday, March 7, 2011 at 10am

ACTION:

1. Motion by Dave Ballard and second by Dr. Kevin Siers the Regional Council approved the January 2011 Minutes for RESA 1.
2. Motion by Dr. Kevin Siers and second by Dave Ballard to accept the Monthly Financial Reports for January 2011. Motion passed. Monthly Financial Reports were accepted.
3. Motion by Dr. Kevin Siers and second by Dave Ballard to place the RESA 1 Policy and Procedures on public comment. Motion Passed. The RESA 1 Employee Schedule and the RESA 1 Travel Reimbursement Policies will be on public comment for 20 days.
4. Motion by Michael Callaway and second by Mary Alice Kaufman to approve the council meeting dates. Motion passed. Regional Council dates changed.
5. Motion by Morgan Davis and second Mary Alice Kaufman to approve the Out-of-State Travel Request for Keith Butcher. Motion passed. Travel approved.
6. Motion by Mary Alice Kaufman to adjourn the February 18, 2011 Regional Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed Copy on File

Keith Butcher, Executive Director
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Date