

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 on November 21, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in Rawlins, Wyoming.

Roll Call

Board members present: Rick Greene, Mike Mann, and George Eckman.

Others present: Jennifer Moore, Shelly Collier, Karen Webster, Cory Hudson, and Via Zoom
Ryanne Mikesell, and Natalie Danford.

Agenda

Rick Greene made the motion to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by George Eckman and passed.

Public Comments, Presentations & Reports

None

Consent Agenda

Rick Greene made the motion to approve the minutes for the October 27, 2022 meeting, Treasurer's Report, and Accounts Payable for November 2022. The motion was seconded by George Eckman and passed.

Executive Session

None

Action Items

- A. Rick Greene made the motion to approve the amendment to the 2022-2023 budget to reflect an additional \$10,000 for student projects and an additional \$15,000 for investment earnings, for a total of \$25,000. The motion was seconded by George Eckman and passed.

Discussion

None

Directors Report

Jennifer reported that the student projects auction closed and CCHEC made about \$4000. Both the high school and college classes are working to finish up the semester strong. Several projects are planned for the spring semester. WYDOT did a presentation for our welding and auto students last week, and plans for a tour of their Rawlins facility is in the works. WYOTECH will be here presenting December 1st.

Jennifer thanked George for all of the years of service that he dedicated to CCHEC. CCHEC is better off thanks to George, he will be missed.

Staff Reports

Shelly reported that our Carbon County estimated tax income is at 28% compared to 4% in 2021. Sweetwater County estimated tax income is at 41% compared to 1% in 2021. Shelly let George know that it has been a pleasure working with him the past 16 years. Shelly appreciated his time on the board and all his support over the years.

Jennifer reported on community engagement. There has been a lot of positive community collaborations. Next week we will be setting up for the festival of trees. CCHEC is the host site for this event. Auto students helped move some larger items from HF Sinclair this morning to the fairgrounds for the community Rudolph event. The C.N.A. class helped assemble 700 giveaway bags for the event. Collaboration with MHCC and Public Health is ongoing for an upcoming Community Care Fair event tentatively scheduled for April. Earlier this month, was a record sized painting class with 60 participants at the class, 20 participants picked up signs before the class, and there was a special night just for RES teachers that had 20 participants. Upcoming classes include a self defense class that already has 29 people registered. A cookie decorating class and a charcuterie board make and take class.

Cory let the board know that registration for Western opened November 9th and classes will begin January 17th. Most of the dual students have registered for the spring semester and Cory continues to work with RHS to make sure students are taking the classes they need. Two students from the jail completed their high school equivalency tests and two more students passed individual subtests. High School equivalency testing has moved to a new company and there has been less flexibility in scheduling and getting test scores. HiSET/GED class continues with two students who meet in person and seven students who work online. ELL has six to ten students who meet regularly twice per week, but will take a break and start up again in January or February.

Ryanne reported that they geared down a bit for December and things will pick back up in January with a GPS class, basic auto maintenance and financial classes. Roberta is doing a pancake breakfast to honor the senior ladies that meet regularly. Ryanne said they will have a float in the parade of lights. George asked who won the pumpkin painting contest. Ryanne said that they tied. Mike asked about the GPS class and if they will cover the onx system, Ryanne wasn't sure. Ryanne said if there is interest, she could try to ZOOM the GPS class to Rawlins.

Board Comments

Rick said Happy Thanksgiving to all and condolences to Broncos fans.

Mike said to be safe if you're traveling for the holiday.

George let everyone know that he is honored to be with everyone here. George also let everyone know that the Wyoming Outdoor Council is having a session on antelope migrations. They would like the state to do an overpass or underpass. George mentioned to them what we are doing with the fences, and he thought it might be a good partnership. Jennifer said that she would reach out to them.

Next Board Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 15, 2022. This meeting will be at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Rick Greene made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by George Eckman and passed.

Matt Feldmann, Chairperson

Rick Greene, Clerk

Karen Webster, Executive Assistant