

708 Board Meeting Minutes- June 2020 Session 2

Date/Time: June 11, 2020 @ 6:00 pm

Location: Montgomery County Old Courthouse, 2nd Floor Boardroom

Members of the public wishing to take part via phone conference are asked to call; 1 347-378-5544*

	Business	Discussion	Action
1.	Call to Order, Attendance & Quorum Determination	Members Present: Dan Hough, Chrissy DeWerff, Lyle Polus, Earlene Robinson, Maria Clark, Kenny Ryker Absent: Linda Billiter	Roll was called with a determination of a quorum and the meeting could proceed.
2.	Community Members on schedule:	6:15pm Hillsboro Area Hospital Rex Brown 6:30pm Nokomis School Dist. Dr. Scott Doerr 6:45pm Hillsboro School Dist. Marci Gutierrez 7:00pm Panhandle School Dist. Aaron Hooper 7:15pm Hillsboro School Dist. Hope McBrain 7:30pm Litchfield School Dist. Adam Favre	
3.	Review/Approval of Current Meeting Agenda		<u>Motions:</u> Approved: 2nd: Opposed: N/A
4.	Update from Monday's report out of Applicants	FAYCO has decided to keep \$24 from current grant period to purchase a passenger van.	
5.	Nokomis School Dist - Dr. Scott Doerr (Superintendent) presenting @ 6:30pm	Presentation on application. Grant would be used to fund salary and benefits. Purpose is to provide appropriate programs one on one, groups, classes and counseling. Pre-K through 5th grade is the target population. Counselor has worked with both students and parents even during Covid. 43% considered on or below poverty and mobile and 4% are considered homeless. Even if funding is not provided they would still continue with service by cutting funds to	

		<p>other programs or looking for funding elsewhere. Will it affect subsequent years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special Education Programs already in place - Opportunity to education on Substance Abuse and Mental Health - How do you measure success? Can't measure poverty or homelessness they measure referrals and successful completions of programs. - Do you have any plans to address trancy and home visits? Programs in place for Pre-K and younger to get them involved early. - How many students would you serve? 300+ Average class size 16. - Ways to connect all schools that are asking for similar funding? Request Quarterly School meetings? Joint Project? Working already on sharing on special education projects and does not object to a collaboration. - Why is this your first year in applying? Was not aware of available funding. Last year was late to applying. 	
6.	<p>Hillsboro School Dist - Hope McBrain presented at 6:53pm</p>	<p>First application discussed is for K-5 continued funding for school counselors in elementary school.</p> <p>Data collected from screeners as baseline/guide. Goal is to use screeners 2x per year to gauge results. They found funding this past year and will keep the position without our funding. This position would service all students not just special education students. This is the number one proposal as this is already a filled position and services over 650 students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ways to connect all schools that are asking for similar funding? Request Quarterly School meetings? Joint Project? Working already on sharing on special education projects and does not object to a collaboration. - Envisions shared programming or 	

		staffing. On board with connecting with other school districts.	
7.	Panhandle School Dist. - Aaron Hooper (Superintendent) presenting @ 7:18pm via phone.	<p>Discussion/review of application request funding will be used to fund salary and benefits for school counselor for middle school and high school. She hosts individual sessions, groups, home visits, development of ongoing programs and helping development of teachers training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is your student base? 480+ students in the district. - What happens if full funding isn't given? Last year they weren't fully funded either and they are committed to keeping the position. - How are you measuring your success? Track attendance, IEP goals, connections with social workers. - Ways to connect all schools that are asking for similar funding? Request Quarterly School meetings? Joint Project? Yes, he is open to doing that. - How has the Help-Line been received? Covid took over and this seemed to be overlooked. With the upcoming school year this will need to be re-addressed and re-marketed. 	
8.	Hillsboro School Dist - Hope McBrain presented at 7:38pm	<p>Second presentation on application for High School position to supplement current counselor and only look at Mental Health/Social Emotional Development. Tier 1 program being implemented across school "Choose Love" starting in Pre-K to 12. Staff members in place to offer Tier 2 support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Screener from HS shows 26% as elevated risk. - Part-time staff may even be contracted out instead of a staff member. - Funding is needed due to county and local resources. - What happens long-term if we fund 	

		<p>this year but can't fund next. Will continue to look for funding.</p>	
9.	<p>Litchfield School Dist. - Adam Favre at 7:57pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ways to connect all schools that are asking for similar funding? Request Quarterly School meetings? Joint Project? Yes, he is open to doing that and it makes sense. - This position isn't just a counselor but does other things. Attendance: 823days missed - 37kids now 127days missed- 37kids missed this year. - Of the requested funds what % directly relates to the mission of our board? This position is not split with any other position and his duties are directly linked to our goals. - Part of reintegration programs for kids back into school after Covid. 	
10.	<p>Adjourn session</p>		<p>Adjourn: Motion: Don 2nd: Lyle Oppose: N/A</p>