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A regular meeting of the Regional Education Service Agency 2 Regional Council was held Wednesday, December 20, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Lincoln County Board of Education Office, Hamlin, WV. Chairman Trey Morrone presided.

Those attending:

Cabell:	Ryan Saxe, Karen Nance
Lincoln:	Jeff Midkiff, Steve Priestley
Logan:	Patricia Lucas
Mason:	Jack Cullen
Mingo:	Don Spence, David Farley
Wayne:	Todd Alexander, Trey Morrone
At Large:	Jason Browning
WV State Dept.:	No representative
State BOE:	Jason Butcher
Marshall:	Sissy Isaacs
RESA 2:	Jan Hanlon, Leslie Tyree, Tammy Stowers, Drew Rottgen, Rachel Bias
Guests:	Bill Linville, Rikki Lowe, Jonah Adkins, Amber Ravenscroft

Welcome – Mr. Midkiff welcomed council members to Lincoln County. The barbershop quartet “Clean Slate” sang Christmas carols for the council.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Nance moved to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2017 regular meeting of the RESA 2 Regional Council; Mr. Farley seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

Delegations/Presentations

1. Google Rise Grant – Ms. Ravenscroft, Edventure Group, discussed the Google Rise Grant outlining an opportunity for Region 2 counties to participate in Mini-Camps for middle school students. The camps would be provided at no cost to the counties. There would be three two-day camps with two counties attending each camp. Content would be interactive and include basic coding, designing, virtual reality, as well as discussions regarding community needs and barriers in computer science. Ms. Ravenscroft indicated camps could be held during the spring or summer. The purpose of these camps is to increase knowledge and interest in computer science.

Old Business

New Business – Action Items

Upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, Mr. Priestley moved to approve consent items as presented; Ms. Nance seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

1. Supplements - Approved the following supplements:

A. Bus Driver Training	\$ 85,000.00
B. Tech Repair & Modernization	\$98,543.94
C. Student Competition/Fairs	\$ 5,000.00
D. 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	\$ 100,075.50
  
2. Transfers – None.
  
3. ESC Formation - Approved the formation of the Mountain State Educational Services Cooperative as reconfigured from the RESA 2 counties of Lincoln, Mason, Mingo and Wayne pursuant to West Virginia Code 18-5-13c et seq.
  
4. Transfer of Assets - Approved the transfer of all assets of RESA 2, including all property, accounts, equipment and records from RESA 2 to the Mountain State Educational Services Cooperative as reconfigured from the RESA 2 counties of Lincoln, Mason, Mingo and Wayne no later than to June 30, 2018.
  
5. By-Laws - Approved the by-laws (draft) of the Mountain State Educational Services Cooperative.
  
6. Member Contracts - Approved the member contracts of the Mountain State Educational Services Cooperative for the counties of Lincoln, Mason, Mingo and Wayne.

Informational Items

Members of the RESA 2 Regional Council and/or the Executive Director may request discussion of any Informational Item.

1. RESA 2 Financial Report–Mr. Rottgen indicated RESA 2 has sufficient funds to sustain them through June 30, 2018.
  
2. RESA 2 Staff Reports - Ms. Hanlon indicated the staff report is in council packets and staff is continuing to work in the counties.

Reports

1. State Department Report – Mr. Butcher stated the December state board meeting was held at Marshall University. He discussed the following: 1) closure of several schools; school consolidation; if you are considering a closure/consolidation you should start by contacting Dr. Paine; 2) Repeal of Bus Transportation Policy which addressed concerns regarding locations of bus stops; 3) School for the Deaf and Blind is working with the Department of Defense with the Innovative Readiness Training which has resulted in a tremendous cost savings for the school in regard to renovations; if you are looking to remodel a school you may want to contact the DOD to see if you qualify for assistance through the IRT program; 4) next state board meeting will be held January 10-11, 2018 in Charleston.
2. W.V.A.S.A. Report – Mr. Midkiff stated the next meeting will be the 2018 Current Issues Seminar held on January 25-26, 2018 at the Bridgeport Conference Center.
3. W.V.S.B.A. Report – Ms. Nance reported on the following: board members up for re-election must have hours completed by December 31<sup>st</sup>; next WVSBA meeting will be held February 16-17, 2018; February 16 is the date to schedule appointments with legislators; orientation meeting will be held June 25-27, 2018 for new board members.
4. Marshall University Report – Dr. Isaacs indicated they had nothing new to report.
5. WV Board of Education – Mr. Butcher updated council members on the progress of the formation of ESCs across the state. He indicated RESAs 1 & 4 and consolidating to form an ESC and will be approving their bylaws in January. RESA 8 has formed an ESC to run their Head Start program. Their name is EPIC (Eastern Panhandle Instructional Cooperative). RESA 5 is still in discussion. He also stated he had mentioned the TRS/PERS retirement issue to Senator Espinosa and they may try to clean up the bill during the upcoming legislative session.
6. Superintendent's Report Out-Special Initiatives – None.

Announcements

1. December 21, RESA 2 Pre-K Coordinators' meeting, RESA 2 Office.
2. December 25-26, Christmas, RESA 2 Office closed.
3. December 29-January 1, New Year's, RESA 2 Office closed.
4. January 11, Student Engagement Strategies, Wahama Jr/Sr HS.
5. January 16, RESA 2 Special Education Directors' meeting, RESA 2.
6. January 25, RESA 2 Pre-K Coordinators' meeting, RESA 2.
7. February 8, Professional Development Consortium, RESA 2.
8. February 19, President's Day, RESA 2 Office closed.
9. February 20, RESA 2 Special Education Director's meeting, RESA 2.
10. February 22, Regional Council Meeting via Skype.

General Discussion


1. Council Member Discussion – Mr. Saxe discussed the proposed changes in Policy 2510. He asked council members their thoughts/plans regarding the credit reduction in social studies as well as the flexibility with PE credits. A discussion was held by council members. Mr. Saxe also stated they should be resilient that the standards not be changed.
2. Executive Director Discussion - Ms. Hanlon updated council members on AEPA, indicating Mountain State ESC will continue to be the state oversight agency. She disseminated packets with vendor information and flyers from various vendors regarding products available. She stated we have picked up several new vendors starting March 1, 2018. Ms. Hanlon also stated we are continuing work on the new AEPA website and hope to have it online by the first of the year.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the RESA 2 Regional Council is scheduled for Thursday, February 22, 2018, beginning at 3:00 p.m. via Skype for Business.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Saxe moved to adjourn; Mr. Midkiff seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

  
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Jan Hanlon, Secretary  
RESA 2 Regional Council