

MINUTES

Attendees:

Region 1: Doug Hood - Camas, Washougal

Region 2: Lacey DeWeert - Kelso, Longview

Region 3: Eric Nerison - Kalama, Castle Rock, Toutle Lake and Woodland

Region 4: Chris Griffith – Ridgefield, Green Mountain, Hockinson and La Center

Region 5: Jerry Lewis (Chair) - White Salmon, Centerville, Glenwood, Klickitat, Lyle, Trout Lake, Roosevelt

Region 7: Rhonda Rogers - Private and at-large districts

ESD 112: Kathy Whitlock, Executive Director of Student and School Success

ESD 112: Vickei Hrdina, Executive Director of Career Readiness & STEM Initiatives

ESD 112: Pranjali Upadhyay, Integrated Curriculum Coordinator

ESD 112: Stacy Meyer, Regional Science Coordinator

Agenda Items

SMC Moving Plan

Currently the SMC is located on the ESD main campus. In the April ESD 112 Board meeting the Board voted to approve the selling of two of the buildings, including the building the SMC is currently located. Because of this, the SMC will be moving to another location which could possibly result a cost savings as they will be using less space.

Elementary 21-22 budget forecast

With the reduction in space in the SMC it is expected that the rental costs will also decrease. The new space has not been secured yet but this should save a significant amount of money on facilities costs.

There were 10 districts that submitted their request to withdraw from the cooperative which will cause a reduced budget for the 2021-22 school year. To help with the reduced budget the SMC will not be using temporary kit assemblers and the supply and material cost will be reduced as the number of kits requiring re-stocking will not be as high.

Elementary PD Plan for Summer and Fall, New Storylines

Kindergarten through 2nd grade will have standard aligned curriculum that accompanies each STEM kit by this fall. Pranjali Upadhyay is working on getting all the new storyline trainings up on the website by mid-summer for teachers to access.

Middle School Collapse

The ESD is proposing to collapse the Middle School program. The current kits are not aligned and do not meet current standards. Additionally, only about 55 of the 176 available kits are being used and it would save money on storage and staff costs and re-stocking fees if they were eliminated.

The teachers who currently have middle school kits in their classroom would be able to keep them. The SMC will send out a re-stocking kit by the end of the year so the kits are ready for the start of the new school year. The SMC will also be keeping a small number of kits, about 4 per title, so they can continue to offer them on a limited basis if needed.

The SMC will send out a request form for districts who have participated in the Middle school program this

year to select materials. If there are materials left over the SMC will open the materials selection to the whole cooperative.

Jerry Lewis motioned to approve the proposal and Doug Hood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Middle School Open Sci Ed training

Stacy Meyer has planned a 6th-8th grade OpenSciEd training the week of June 21st. Stacy will be sending out additional information on these trainings as the registration is ready.