# **CREC Coordinating Council** February 5, 2025 1:00 PM (virtual)

Voting Members Present (In person)

Representing

Dr. Cindy Sims (Chair)

Mr. Jeremy Abshire (Vice Chair)

Dr. Pete Vallejo

Mr. Robert Madrid

Mr. David Lackey

Ms. Merlinda Trujillo

**Quemado Independent Schools** 

**UNMH, CPC - Mimbres Schools** 

**Estancia Municipal Schools** 

**Mountainair Public Schools** 

**DOH, Sequoyah Adolescent Treatment Center** 

**Voting Members Present (Zoom)** 

Representing

**NMCD** 

Ms. Lisa Hamilton

Dr. Glenn Haven

CYFD, JJS **Magdalena Municipal Schools** 

**Non-Voting Members Present** 

Representing

Ms. Maria Jaramillo Ms. Jessica Orona

**Executive Director Business Manager** 

**Voting Members Not Present** 

Representing

Ms. Petra Solimon (non-voting) Mr. Lyndsey Padilla

**Laguna Dept of Education Vaughn Municipal Schools** 

Dr. Eudore Camata

**Jemez Valley Public Schools** 

# I. CALL TO ORDER

The council was called to order by Dr. Cindy Sims at 1:06 pm.

II. DETERMINATION OF QUORUMA Determination of Quorum was made by Dr. Cindy Sims at 1:06 pm.

#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Cindy Sims entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. David Lackey made the motion and Mr. Jeremy Abshire gave the second. The Council approved the agenda.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Cindy Sims entertained a motion to approve the previous Council Meeting Minutes (11/13/24). Dr. Pete Vallejo motioned to approve the minutes, and Mr. Jeremy Abshire gave the second. The Council approved the minutes.

#### V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### A. CREC Updates

Ms. Maria Jaramillo reported that the CREC Business office has a second round of interviews for the 1 Business Operations Specialist and Administrative Assistant. New CREC employees hired since the last Council meeting include Chief Procurement Officer (CPO), Mr. Chris Tweatt, and a Medicaid Business Specialist (SBMH), Ms. Billy Jean Trujillo. Retirees or resignations included Mr. Craig Turpin, SBMH Coordinator, Dr. Ryil Adamson, Kathleen Roland, Early Childhood Instructional Coaches, and Ms. Taisha Chambers, Administrative Assistant. CREC currently has 126 employees.

Ms. Jaramillo led a discussion regarding the Office of Special Education's directive to change the CREC's established process for requesting reimbursement of IDEA B (24106) funds for the state-supported educational programs. Ms. Jaramillo received confirmation from PED Fiscal Management that CREC's indirect rate has been acceptable for the past 6 years. Ms. Jaramillo will continue to work with OSE and the SSEPs on the issue. No reimbursement will be requested until the issue is resolved.

## **VI. Program Coordinators Report**

## A. State Level Activities (SLA)

Please see the attached report.

# B. Early Childhood Instructional Coaches (ECICS)

Please see the attached report.

## C. School-Based Mental Health Grant

Please see the attached report.

# D. Structured Literacy

Please see the attached report.

# E. Universal Design for Learning (UDL)

Please see the attached report.

## F. Other Programs

Please see the attached report for other programs.

## VII. FINANCIAL REPORT

# a. Monthly Reports (Emailed to Council)

Ms. Jessica Orona presented a recap of the financials emailed to the Council over the last quarter (October – December)- see below. Additional business items: West Central Consortium – internet and WAN billing on final extension year. The Request for Proposal (RfP) process has begun.

\$5,464,245.15 in expenditures \$4,548,877.22 in revenue \$3,950,386.19 cash balance \$211,860.35 accounts receivable (lowest to date)

#### VIII. Current Business

a. Job Description – Salary Schedule – Item tabled.

#### b. Warrants and Vouchers

c. BARS – Items b. and c. received combined approval as presented by Ms. Jessica Orona. Dr. Cindy Sims entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Abshire made the motion and Mr. Lackey seconded. Motion passed at 1:53PM

### IX. NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Jaramillo reported that the next Council meeting will be held in person on May 7<sup>th</sup> following the Central Region Superintendents Networking Meeting.

# X. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Sims entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Abshire made the motion and Ms. Lisa Hamilton seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 PM.

**APPROVED BY:** 

Maria Jaramillo
Executive Director

Cindy Sims
Council Cha