

May 8, 2025 | 📅 Title VI Budget Public Hearing

Call to Order: 6:06pm

Attendees: Yvette Salas (BVSD)
Aidan Hibbard (Student)
Kristin Nelson-Steinhoff (BVSD)
Elijah McClendon (Chairperson/Parent)
Matthew Hibbard (Parent)
Mary Martines (Vice Chairperson/Parent)

Notes

- I Introductions: Everyone introduced themselves - New attendee Kristin
- II Public Comments: None
- III Liaison Report: We are currently over budget. For Aug - Oct, benefits for Yvette were charged to the grant, but she didn't receive benefits so it needs to be removed as it's a payroll error. There are still 112 students.
- IV Chairperson's Report: Elijah had missed the February meeting, and didn't have anything new to report.
- V Seal of Biliteracy: Kristin explained the program to the attendees. In order to qualify for the seal, a senior would need to have a 3.0 GPA in English/Language Arts or a 4 on the AP exam, or a 3 on the IB exam. They would need to be able to communicate in the Indigenous Language. Mary inquired about a cultural night where we could get a grant to help pay for a teacher at the Dairy on Tuesdays or Thursdays for students to be able to learn to speak. Yvette mentioned that Duo Lingo offered Navajo and another platform offered Ojibwe and Lakota. She will look into it.
- VI Dislexia Support - Leslie Gaiser was not able to attend and we work on having her or another representative attend in the fall so that parents know how to navigate the process of identifying and testing.
- VII Graduate Honoring Recap - 7 of the 9 graduates attended. One of the students that didn't attend had graduated in December. The event was beautiful. Elijah mentioned that we should try to get the venue back to CU's Chancellor's hall as in the past. Yvette mentioned that if the AIPC wanted Tocabe as the meal, it would have to not be on a Monday as they are closed on Mondays.

- VIII Review of the 2025-2026 budget - Yvette mentioned that she had adjusted the budget from the amount of her benefits since she will not be receiving any next year. The amount she added was \$1050 to the meals for parent meetings, and the rest was put into tutoring to cover the amount that 2 families are paying out of pocket due to the type of tutoring needed and how much it costs over traditional tutoring. The she discussed the increases from the previous year that were on the budget she sent out in the invitation that everyone had access to. \$250 was added for workbooks for the tutoring sessions. \$500 was added for supplies as we only have 2 working graphing calculator and we typically lend out 3 per year. The ACT/SAT prep course was increased from \$300 to \$500. All other amounts remained the same.
- IX Approval of Grant Budget - Elijah called for a vote to approve the budget. 5 yays, 0 nays, 1 abstain. Budget was approved.
- X New Board Openings - Elijah is staying until September when we will choose a new Chairperson. Helena Hamel as resigned her position as secretary. September is when positions are voted in according to the bylaws. Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer are needed.
- XI Public Comments - Mary mentioned Peddling Minds wanted to offer camps for Indigenous children and would need 8 minimum to teach kids to bike and teach advanced riders new skills. Kristin mentioned possibly working with CU's lacrosse team to mentor/help our students as they Are wanting to build relationships with BVSD.
- XII Next Meeting - September 16, 2025.
All of the dates were chosen for next school year's calendar. With the 3rd Tuesday of the month for meetings and the Rock Climbing event was moved to October. The dates are as follows:
9/16/25 - Parent Meeting
10/18/25 - Rock Climbing Event
10/21/25 - Parent Meeting
11/18/25 - Parent Meeting
1/20/26 - Parent Meeting
2/17/26 - Parent Meeting
4/21/26 - Parent Meeting
5/5/26 - Graduate Honoring Ceremony
5/7/26 - Budget Hearing

Meeting Adjourned 7:13p