

Chairperson Signature Amy Gyllenskog

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**BEAR RIVER HEAD START POLICY COUNCIL
2023-2024 Interim Meeting Minutes**

Date: Monday, August 26, 2024	Start Time: 8:00PM End Time: 8:17PM	Location: Dialpad Meetings: 1-888-602-7505	
2023-2024 Policy Council Members' Attendance		YES	NO
Rachel Ekman*	Brigham Representative		E
	Brigham Alternate		
Anna Sherman*	Tremonton Representative	X	
Jessica Flinn*	Tremonton Alternate		X
Amy Gyllenskog* (Chair & Utah HSAC)	Hyde Park Representative	X	
Alexander Quinn* (Treasurer)	Hyde Park Alternate		E
Tasneem Mussaji*	Logan Representative		E
Ashley Davis*	Logan Alternate	X	
	Hyrum Representative		
	Hyrum Alternate		
	Smithfield Representative		
	Smithfield Alternate		
	Richmond Representative		
	Richmond Alternate		
Stacey Clark* (Secretary)	Malad Representative	X	
Karli Leonardi* (Idaho HSAC)	Malad Alternate	X	
	Paris Representative		
Whitney Miles*	Paris Alternate	X	
Kristin Fellows*	Preston Representative	X	
	Preston Alternate		
Festus Odunuga*	Nest/Koop Representative		X
	Nest/Koop Alternate		
	Fishpond Representative		
Kila (Gifford) Carey*	Fishpond Alternate	X	
	Board Representative		
Anna Herrera*	Community Representative	X	
Justin Nuñez*	Community Representative		X

***Trained Policy Council Members**

Members needed for a Quorum: 6	
Number of Voting Members who attended the meeting: 7	Number of Non-Voting Members who attended the meeting (including the Policy Council Officer conducting the meeting): 2
Do we have a Quorum? YES	
Meeting Called to Order By: Amy Gyllenskog (Policy Council Chairperson) Meeting Facilitated By: Terrah Smith (Administrative Assistant) Additional Staff in Attendance: Kristie Curtis (Family Services Coordinator), Steph Wood (Centerbased Coordinator), Denise Ayala (ERSEA Manager)	

1. Vote to approve the hire request of Whitney Cromwell as the PHS Preston AM Teacher

– Steph Wood

Whitney loves the Head Start program. She first learned about the program when she was in college; it was something they studied. She graduated in Early Childhood Education Professional Preschool. Out of College, Whitney started working for Mountainland Head Start in the Utah Valley area and enjoyed it. She then started having children and ran her own preschool and then just followed her kids up through their school ages. Her youngest daughter just started High School so she decided to make a full circle and head back to Head Start. That's where her heart is. Whitney loves the children and the equal opportunities for the preschool children and their families. She loves her own family and kids and feels she'll be a good fit for the Head Start program.

Motion to approve the hire request of Whitney Cromwell as the PHS Preston AM Teacher

Motion: Whitney Miles	Seconded: Anna Sherman	Approved: YES
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2. Vote to approve the hire request of Cecilia Mendiola as an ERSEA Assistant – Kristie Curtis

Cecilia is a Head Start parent. Her journey with Head Start began when her brother was in Head Start in roughly 2003. The program has helped her and her family a lot. As a single mom she is very appreciative of all of the support she's been able to get from everyone in the program. Her advocates are super helpful with anything she needs. Cecelia wants to be able to provide that for other families. She has a love for helping others and compassion. Being able to help others helps her feel good about herself. No other job will help her feel more fulfilled than this.

Motion to approve the hire request of Cecilia Mendiola as an ERSEA Assistant

Motion: Anna Sherman	Seconded: Whitney Miles	Approved: YES
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3. Vote to approve the hire request of Bailee Barber as the PHS Malad Classroom Assistant – Steph Wood

Bailee lives in Malad, Idaho. She has two kids ages four and two. She spends a lot of her time with them when she's not working; they are always looking for fun activities to do. Bailee saw the job posting in Malad and has been looking into getting her CDA (Child Development Associate). It is something she's been interested in as her kids are growing up and learning different things. She will be at the Malad location as the Classroom Assistant and is super excited to start.

Motion to approve the hire request of Bailee Barber as the PHS Malad Classroom Assistant

Motion: Anna Herrera	Seconded: Anna Sherman	Approved: YES
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4. Vote to adjourn the August 26, 2024 Interim Policy Council Meeting – Amy Gyllenskog

With no other business to conduct, the August 26, 2024 Interim Policy Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

Motion to adjourn the August 26, 2024 Interim Policy Council Meeting

Motion: Kristin Fellows	Seconded: Whitney Miles	Approved: YES
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