

MEMORANDUM TO: Sue Thomas, Superintendent

Subject: Adjunct Faculty information

The State Board of Education passed an amendment to 19 TACS 129.1 (k)(1). Requirements for Student Attendance for State Funding Purposes allows public school to be considered "in attendance" when participating in off-campus activities with an adjunct staff member of the school district. Section 3 of the Student Attendance handbook states:

- (4-12) The student is participating in an activity which is approved by the local board and is under the direction of a professional staff member of the school district or an adjunct staff member. This adjunct staff member must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree and be eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.
- (4-13) Student participating in any activity which is not approved by the local school board and/or without certified district personnel supervision are counted absent [see (4-12)]. To qualify for funding purposes, the certified district staff member/adjunct staff member must be accompanying the students as an official of the school district for the specific purpose of supervising the students and must be approved by the school board to supervise the activity. For example, students participating in 4-H activities which are supervised solely by the County Extension Agent are reported present.

This amendment provides local school boards the opportunity to recognize County Extension Agents as adjunct staff members and to count students participating in 4-H/Extension educational activities "in attendance" for Foundation School Program purposes.

<u>BEE</u> County requests adjunct staff member status for the County Extension Agents for the school year 2012-2013. The following faculty are eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and have a minimum of a bachelor's degree.

Name: Matt Bochat Title County Extension Agent Degree: Ag Economics Date: Dec. 1987 Institution: Texas A&M University

I hope Skidmore Independent School District will accept this request. Please let me know if you would like to schedule an appointment to discuss the amendment and request or if you need further information,

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ADJUNCT FACULTY AGREEMENT

- 1. We encourage a plan for cross-county CEA joint appointments to consolidate travel and supervisory responsibilities at major livestock shows.
- 2. Remember, when you have youth chosen for National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, or Texas 4-H Leadership Conference, include one of the chaperones on your adjunct list.

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BEE

On this date, at a regular scheduled and posted meeting, came the Board of Trustees of the <u>Beeville</u> Independent School District, hereinafter referred to as "District." A quorum having been established, the Board proceeded to consider the appointment of the herein named individual as an adjunct member of the <u>Beeville</u> Independent School District.

Upon consideration and vote of _____in favor, Matt Bochat is hereby named as adjunct faculty member of the Beeville Independent School District subject to the following consideration and provisions of such an appointment to wit:

- 1. The appointment shall commence on the _____ day of _____ and end on the day _____ of ____, being the end of the 2012-2013 academic vear.
- 2. Adjunct faculty member will receive no compensation, salary, or remuneration from **Beeville** Independent School District.
- 3. Adjunct faculty member is and shall remain an employee, in good standing, of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.
- 4. Adjunct faculty member shall be under the direct supervision of either the District Extension Administrator of District 11.
- 5. Adjunct faculty member shall receive all group insurance benefits, workman's compensation insurance benefits, unemployment insurance, and any and all other plans for the benefit of Texas AgriLife Extension Service employees. District shal have no responsibility for any of such benefits or plans.

Adjunct faculty member shall direct the activities and participation of students of the school district in sponsored and approved activities as designated from time to time by adjunct faculty members for which notice shall be given to School District administrative personnel. Adjunct faculty members' activities and participation with students of the School District are directed, supervised, and controlled by and through supervisory personnel of Texas AgriLife Extension Service pursuant to the supervisory authority of the District Extension Administrator. Adjunct Faculty member is not the employee of the School District, and School District does not nor shall not supervise, direct or control the activities and/or participation of such BEE County Extension Agent who have/has been herein designated as an adjunct faculty member.

This appointment is made by the Independent School District by and through the Board of Trustees of said district for the benefit of allowing voluntary student participation in programs conducted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in recognition of the educational benefits arising from such participation and activities and /or directed by the Texas AgriLife Extension

Service. This appointment is made in accordance with the provision of Section 129.21 (k)(1) of the Texas Administrative Code authorizing the school to deem such participating students in attendance for foundation program purposes.

The appointment of the herein named <u>Matt Bochat</u>, County Extension Agent, Extension employee is/are not intended nor shall be construed as a waiver of any claim or defense of sovereign or governmental immunity from liability now possessed by <u>Beeville</u> Independent School District or any of its employees, agents, officers, and/or board members in the performance of governmental functions.

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