

EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT SYSTEM #330 GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES

The following districts were present at 8:31 a.m. for the November 15, 2023, Executive Committee meeting held at Parkland College: Champaign, Monticello, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, St. Joseph-Ogden, Tolono, and Tuscola. Donna Kaufman from the ROE arrived at 8:34 a.m.

An amended bill list was distributed at the meeting. Monticello made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the amended bill list, seconded by Champaign. The following districts voted in approval: Tuscola, Tolono, St. Joseph-Ogden, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Monticello, and Champaign. Motion carried.

No public comment was made.

BUSINESS

Districts will be receiving their first CTEI subgrant payment of 50% which was included in the board bills. Districts need to submit their CTEI expenditure spreadsheet to EFE office by December 8th. Districts should plan on having all their CTEI funds obligated by May 1st.

The System employed Teresa Houchin at the September Executive Committee meeting as our College and Career Pathway Endorsement Coordinator (CCPE). She will be at the December board meeting to report on what she's been working on and share a timeline for districts. Schools have an option to opt out of the CCPE but our goal is to have at least one of our ECCA pathways to satisfy the requirements for the CCPE so there really isn't a need for any school to opt out. We will host a regional meeting on January 25th for all CCPE contacts. Prior to that meeting we want each superintendent to complete attachment #2 from the board packet if your district isn't planning on opting out of the process. Districts will need to give the EFE, both Nick and Teresa, access to their school ISBE platform. An email will be sent from Teresa in December for this process.

In October, we had an onsite visit from the ISBE state CTE director. During the visit, she mentioned the possibility of ECCA becoming an area career center (ACC). We are potentially leaving some funds untapped, as reimbursement rates for ACC students are greater than "normal" CTE classes. There are a lot of unknown variables with the ISBE funding formula changes that are still being worked out. A supplemental packet (handout #2) was distributed at the meeting that outlines requirements to be an area career center. One important aspect is the administrative allotment of the CTEI grant could potentially be impacted if Nick is classified as a joint EFE/ACC director. We need clarification on whether ACC funding can be used for administrative expenses, among other things. It would also be beneficial to see what the funding formula changes will look like for next year before exploring this option for the following year. We would have to create a separate intergovernmental agreement and hold separate board meetings for an ACC. Nick will report back in December.

The last days for ECCA finals are December 12-13th.

No other business was discussed.

At 9:01 a.m., Tuscola made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Monticello. All yeas. Motion carried.

The next meeting is the Full Governing Board on Friday, December 15th at Parkland College.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Chandler (PBL), Board Secretary