

## **EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT SYSTEM #330 GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES**

Introductions were made.

The following districts were present at 8:34 a.m. for the December 13, 2017 Full Governing Board meeting held at Red Wheel Restaurant in Rantoul, IL: Bement, Champaign, Fisher, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Heritage, Monticello, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Rantoul, St. Joseph-Ogden, Tolono, Tuscola, and Villa Grove. Barb Daly from the Regional Office of Education was present. An amended bill list for both FY-17 and FY-18 were disseminated at the meeting. Tolono made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the amended bill list, seconded by Fisher. The following districts voted in approval: Villa Grove, Tuscola, Tolono, St. Joseph-Ogden, Rantoul, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Monticello, Heritage, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Fisher, Champaign, and Bement. Motion carried.

No public comment was made.

### **BUSINESS**

Lisa Lyne, Dual Credit Coordinator at Parkland College reviewed the new faculty qualification requirements for dual credit/transfer courses (Handout #1). Faculty must have a Master's Degree or higher in the discipline for which they are teaching, or; Master's Degree in another discipline but have at least 18 hours of graduate coursework in the discipline for which they will be teaching. Masters of Education can no longer stand alone as a qualifying degree. They must also have at least 18 hours of graduate coursework in the discipline for which they will be teaching. Parkland has received a 5-year extension for dual credit faculty to complete the new requirements. Parkland has 21 faculty members who are affected by this change. Parkland will work with schools to keep their in-house dual credit courses up and running until those instructors can get their required credentials. Parkland is also exploring instructor sharing and online sections with Parkland faculty. She also informed the board of Parkland's new Early Transfer Academy (ETA) program (Handout #2). It is a pathway for high school students to complete general education core curriculum while they are still in high school. Districts are under no-obligation to make these a dual-credit option. It is full tuition and fees but are exploring scholarship options.

The System has received the final five payments of FY-17 funds for a total of \$122,040 that was owed to us. This allows us to process the final FY17 CTEI sub-grant payments to the districts. Once the System receives verification that all funds have been obligated/spent and audit documentation received, we will mail the payment to the district.

A matrix of grant dollars available for FY-18 was included in the board packet (attachment #1). The EFE has been in the process of completing the orders for Perkins and Mini-Grants. Perkins is federal money and is on a reimbursement method, so we never have an issue receiving those funds. Currently, we are owed July – December on State FY-18 CTEI payments. We don't anticipate receiving those funds until March or April. Districts need to make a decision whether to let CTE departments start spending the sub-grant funds and get reimbursed or wait until the EFE receives funds from the State. We would encourage districts to allow departments to start spending those funds.

An updated SIS Update spreadsheet (handout #3) was disseminated, showing the status of district fall course enrollments and corrections. There is a December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline to get those uploaded. Kim has just started cross-referencing the district CTE rosters for accuracy. These are the numbers the State uses to determine CTEI allocations.

Amanda Henegar updated the board on school visits she's been doing for Career Cruising and promoting ECCA to students and parents. Also, our office has been busy preparing for the Eighth Grade Career Conference in January and are expecting over 2,200 students to attend. Attachment #3 is a matrix of when your school will be attending. We have already heard from 70 speakers volunteering their time. The Champaign County Chamber of Commerce sent out an invitation to their business partners, which provided some new recruits in the six career areas.

Under local/statewide committee updates: The Illinois P-20 Council College and Career Readiness Committee is looking for feedback on the two initiatives under the Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Act (Handout #4). The first one being College and Career Pathways Endorsements. There's still a lot of work to do on this, but the class of 2020 would be the first class to get one of these endorsements outlined on the 3<sup>rd</sup> page of the handout (#4). A student would have to complete several items to earn an endorsement. The second one is the Transitional Math. Students would be assessed during the junior year, if they are deemed "not ready" at that point, they would have an option to sign up for a transitional math course during their senior year. If they successfully complete the transitional math course they would

be guaranteed entry into a non-remedial, credit bearing college math course during their freshman year in college. Again, several questions need to be answered on this one but it has great potential.

ECCA students should have completed their final exams yesterday, with just a few needing to take the make-up exams. Grades will be sent out this Tuesday afternoon. Spring session does not start until Tuesday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>. The Board will be voting on the addition of the stand-alone Programming option, but still paired with Computer Networking for 2018-2019, as discussed in the previous two board meetings. Nick is working with the Champaign County Economic Development Corporation to schedule an employer roundtable that would focus on Programming options for high school students, provide experiences for students and possible funding through scholarships.

In response to an earlier question, Nick stated that districts should be prepared to answer parents' questions regarding ECCA tuition being paid by the district, if ETA tuition will not be paid. Districts discussed their views on the ETA program and voiced their continued support for the ECCA program.

Rantoul made a motion to approve the 2018-2019 ECCA program areas outlined in the 2018-2019 ECCA Program Guide (attachment #5), seconded by Monticello. The following districts voted in approval: Bement, Champaign, Fisher, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Heritage, Monticello, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Rantoul, St. Joseph-Ogden, Tolono, Tuscola, and Villa Grove. Motion carried.

No other business was discussed.

The next meeting is an Executive Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 17, at Parkland College's ATC Building in Champaign.

At 9:35 a.m., Tolono made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Paxton-Buckley-Loda. All yeas. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tara Tighe-Chandler, Board Secretary