

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

The following districts were present at 8:36 a.m. for the August 21, 2019 Full Governing Board meeting held at the Red Wheel Restaurant in Rantoul, IL: Bement, Champaign, Fisher, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Heritage, Mahomet-Seymour, Monticello, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, St. Joseph-Ogden, and Tolono. Donna Kaufman from the Regional Office of Education was present at the meeting. Nick recommended making the following change to the agenda: moving part of the ECCA #11 on the agenda to the first item under business so the guest speakers from Parkland College could their presentation and leave. Fisher made a motion to approve the agenda change, seconded by Bement. All yeas. Motion carried. Monticello made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mahomet-Seymour. The following voted in approval: Tolono, St. Joseph-Ogden, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Monticello, Mahomet-Seymour, Heritage, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Fisher, Champaign, and Bement. Motion carried.

No public comment was made.

### **BUSINESS**

Nick gave a brief recap on the reason and purpose of the potential education program in ECCA (handout #1 Overall Findings and handout #2 ECCA Education Pathway). Nick introduced Nancy Sutton, Dean of the Arts & Sciences Department and Joe Walwik, Dept. Chair for Social Sciences from Parkland College. During discussions, there is a priority to get these students interested in the education program to return to their home districts upon completing the education degree. Parkland is developing articulation agreements with Eastern Illinois University and Illinois State University, and building an accelerated associate fast-track for the education degree that would only require 1-year = 1 summer + 2 semesters after completing the ECCA education program where students would already have earned 12 credits toward this process. Parkland will work with districts wishing for the FYE 101 course to be taught by a qualified instructor at the school. The EDU courses would need to be done thru the ECCA on campus because they are not gen ed courses, they are core discipline/majors' courses. For Parkland's articulation agreements to be solid with 4-year universities they need to be held on campus by their faculty. The EDU 101 has a field experience requirement, where students would do observation in a classroom. Each school would decide if students would do this within their district or in a rotation. This would run during the regular hours of ECCA, 7:45 – 9:15 am. Parkland would need 12 or more students for an alternative schedule time. Mahomet-Seymour asked if it would be possible to have a web-based "distance learning" class in their home schools for EDU 101. Parkland has done this in the past and this could be an option for schools with that capability.

Nick will be discussing the possible option of adding the ECCA Education Pathway Program with the principals at the September 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board will continue to discuss adding the Education Pathway Program to ECCA offerings and would need to have approval at the October board meeting if we want it to run in the fall of 2020.

Early College and Career Academy: enrollment is currently at 163 after losing 13 students last month. Enrollments by program are: Auto 1: 30, Auto 2:15, Criminal Justice: 20, CNA: 55, EMT: 14, 4 FST focus, 10 Health Profession focus, Industrial Tech: 11, Networking: 10, and Programming: 8. Students have until this Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> to drop without charges and not showing on their transcript. The billing will be \$2,030/per student for the entire year. We have saved quite a bit on textbooks. Billing will go out after Labor Day, \$1,015/per student for the fall semester.

The FY-20 Joint Agreement Budget Summary pages were included in the board packet (attachment #1). Our budget has two main grants that must be spent every year, with the CTE being up a bit and the Perkins down a little. The ECCA tuition collected is basically a breakeven after we pay Parkland. During a typical year, our district local match assessment will have a surplus, which allows us to continue to operate "as-is" during the times when the state has been late on payments. This summary also includes the outstanding FY-19 payment and liquidations. Fisher made a motion to approve the FY-20 Joint Agreement Budget, seconded by Champaign. The following districts voted in approval: Bement, Champaign, Fisher, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Heritage, Mahomet-Seymour, Monticello, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, St. Joseph-Ogden, and Tolono. Motion carried.

We are still owed the June FY 19 payment of \$46,885. We still need FY-19 CTEI documentation from a couple of schools, which Shelly has been in contact with. Both FY-20 grants have now been approved after some minor changes. The FY-20 Perkins grant was down slightly, which reflects in a slight decrease in the districts Perkins allocations (attachment #2). Mahomet-Seymour made a motion to approve the FY-20 Perkins allocations, seconded by Bement. The following districts voted in approval: Tolono, St. Joseph-Ogden, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, Monticello, Mahomet-Seymour, Heritage, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Fisher, Champaign, and Bement. Motion carried.

Amanda (Henegar) Brockway, Special Projects Coordinator, updated the board on the upcoming EFE Professional Development dates (handout #3), Career Cruising visits, and ECCA marketing/open houses. Attachment #3 in the packet outlines the activities and lessons that Amanda can do in the classrooms. This is a great option for those planned substitute days. Amanda is available to come out to your schools to talk about the ECCA programs. She can do classrooms (sophomore-juniors), assemblies, career nights, booths at lunch, passing periods, or whatever your needs are.

Career Cruising: This is something we will discuss more in September. Nick will be discussing usage and options with your principals and counselors at the meeting September 5<sup>th</sup>. Right now, we use Springboard, which is the base Career Cruising product. We are grandfathered into this product and it is not something new they offer to clients. Our usage numbers have been declining and we are probably not getting the most for our money. Career Cruising is now offering Xello, which is more robust and user friendly and most likely be used by only our high schools, but that would be an additional \$9,000.

With the FY-20 grants formally approved, we need to issue letters of employment to EFE staff: Shelly Dunn, Kim Theis, Amanda (Henegar) Brockway, and Shannon Bridges (ECCA CJS Sponsor). Heritage made a motion to approve employment letters for the EFE staff and ECCA club sponsor as listed, seconded by Paxton-Buckley-Loda. The following districts voted in approval: Bement, Champaign, Fisher, Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley, Heritage, Mahomet-Seymour, Monticello, Paxton-Buckley-Loda, St. Joseph-Ogden, and Tolono. Motion carried.

No other business was discussed.

At 9:44 a.m., Fisher made a motion to adjourn, second by Champaign. All yeas. Motion carried.

The next meeting is an Executive Committee meeting on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at Parkland College in Champaign, IL.

Respectfully Submitted,

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